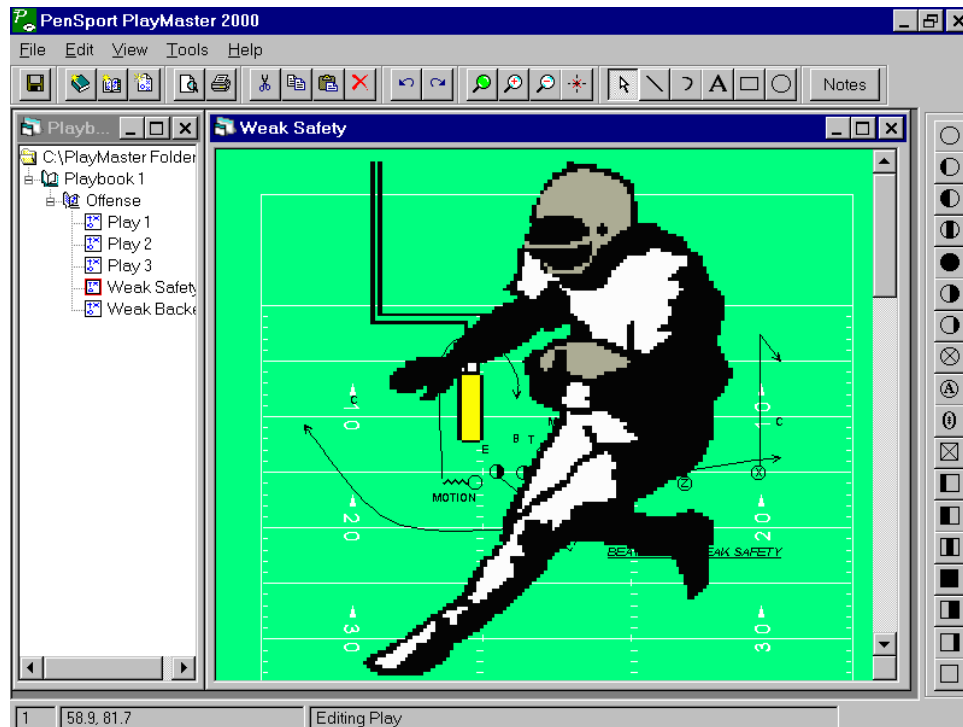


PRINTMASTER DOCUMENTATION

PlayMaster 2000 Football Edition



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I. Introduction

PrintMaster is a utility within **PlayMaster 2000** that gives you the ability to create special print layouts. This documentation assumes that you have read and understand the basic print features that come with the **PlayMaster 2000**. If you have not yet learned those standard printing features, we recommend that you go back to the standard documentation and learn about printing before continuing with this document.

Important: Always *click* Apply to save your printing options. Until Apply is pressed, you will not see any changes in the preview window.

Note: Unless stated otherwise, a *Click* is a *Left Click* of the mouse button.

1. Quick Layout

This screen is the standard print layout that you would see if you purchased just the standard **PlayMaster 2000**.

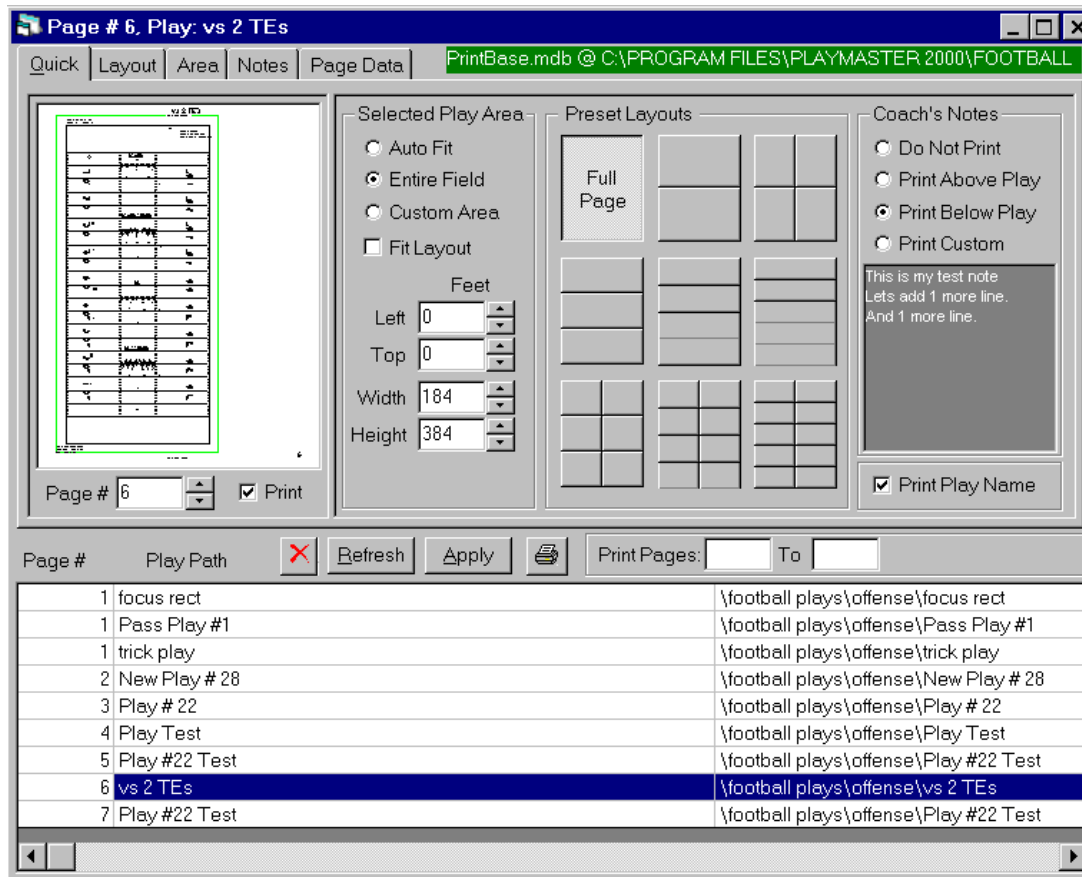


Figure 1a

1.1 Page

When a play is added to the *PrintMaster*, by default it is added to the page that was last selected. To change the printed page number, *click* the arrows next to the page number to set the proper page number. If you want that page number to be printed with the play, *click* the check box where it says *Print*.

1.2 Selected Play Area

You may select the area of the *Play* that you want to print in 3 different ways.

Auto Fit

PlayMaster 2000 calculates the *Bounding Rectangle* (see Definitions in the *PlayMaster* documentation) around the objects in the play and prints only that area.

Entire Field

The entire field is printed on the page.

Custom Area

By using *Custom Area*, you can define the printable area by setting the *Left*, *Top*, *Width*, and *Height* fields.

Fit Layout

Fit Layout will take the *Bounding Rectangle* (see Definitions in the *PlayMaster* documentation) area of the *Play* and expand it so that it fills the *Preset Layout*. When using this option, your printouts will no longer have blank space on the printed page. All the plays that are printed using the feature will show more of the field instead of a blank area. *Fit Layout* works best in conjunction with the *Auto Fit* selection.

1.3 Preset Layouts

You may select any preset layout that you like by *clicking* on the button that shows you where your *Play* will be printed. You can mix and match *Plays* and layouts on a single page. For instance, you may print one *Play* on the top of the page, one *Play* on the bottom left, and another on the bottom right. The *Play* size will automatically adjust to scale.

If you have changed your *Preset Layout* to a *Custom* layout, you can reset the *Play* to the *Preset Layout* by double clicking on the *Page Layout* you want to use and clicking on *Apply*.

1.4 Coaches Notes

If you attached notes to your *Play*, you can have those notes printed *Above* or *Below* the *Play*. Please remember that the size of the text will vary to match the printing area of the *Play* to which it is attached. *Print Custom* will be selected automatically when making changes in the *Notes* section. You should not have to select this option. (See Chapter 4)

1.5 Print Play Name

For each *Play* that you want the *Play Name* to appear, check this option. The *Play Name* will be printed either at the Top or Bottom of the *Play*, depending on whether you have selected *Coaches Notes* to print.

2. Layout

This screen gives you the ability to do custom layouts of your play on the printed page. You can easily resize and reposition your play anywhere on the printed page while in the *Layout* section. If you make a mistake, and want to go back to a *Preset Layout*, just go back to the *Quick Layout* section and reselect one of the the *Preset Layouts*.

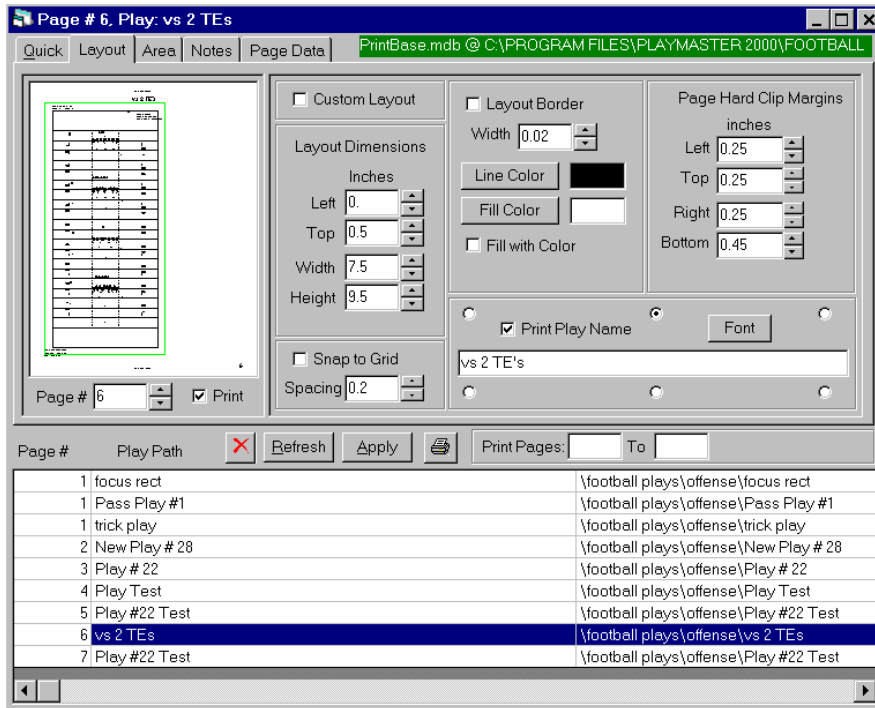


Figure 2a

2.1 Custom Layout

This option will turn itself on when you reposition the play on the printed page. There is no reason to turn it on. If you turn it off, you will go back to the *Preset Layout*.

To reposition the play on the page, you only need to draw a *Focus Rectangle* (See Definitions in the *PlayMaster* documentation) in the print preview area. As you draw the *Focus Rectangle*, you will see a black box forming in the selected area. (Figure 2b) Once you are done drawing the *Focus Rectangle*, press *Apply* to see the play moved and resized to fit the newly selected page section.

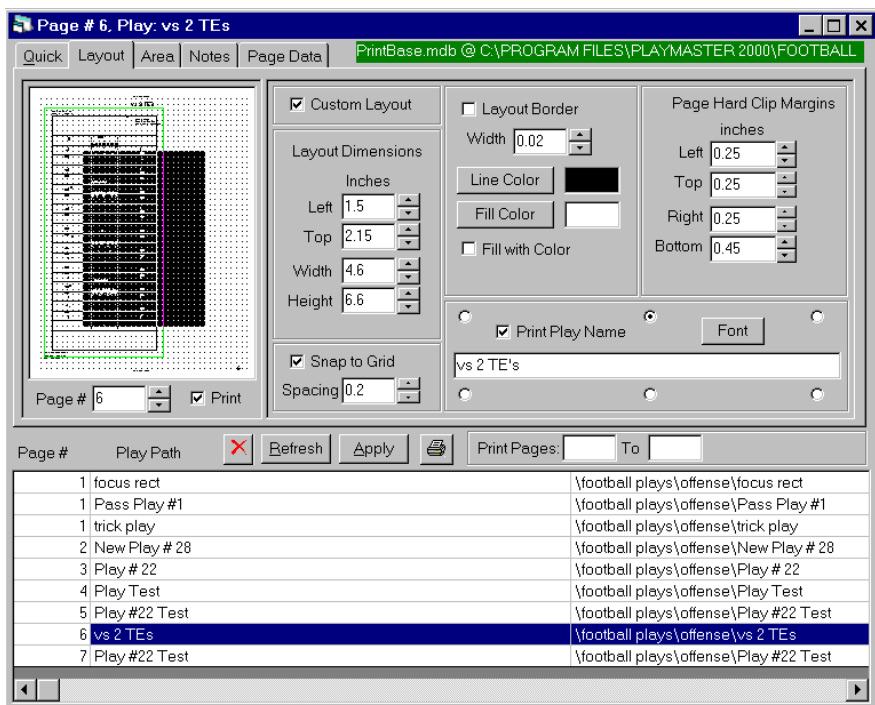


Figure 2b

2.2 Layout Dimensions

When doing a *Custom Layout* the dimensions you selected for the layout will be displayed here. If you feel you want to make some slight modifications to the size or position, you can manually change these values with the arrows next to the *Left*, *Top*, *Width*, and *Height* fields.

2.3 Snap to Grid

When this option is turned on, a grid will appear in the preview window. (Figure 2b) This grid is to assist you when you are creating your custom layout. It will help you create a more precise size and location of your play on the printed page. You can adjust the size of the grid by changing the *Spacing*.

2.4 Layout Border

This option allows you to place a border around your play. Unless you change the *Width*, the line will be as thin as possible. You can increase the *Width* if you would like. The line color will be black unless you change the *Line Color*, by *Clicking* on the *Line Color* button.

2.4.1 Fill with Color

You can also pick a color to use for the background inside of the border. This will not cover up the play, but change it from the standard white background. If you do not have the *Layout Border* turned on when you turn on the *Fill with Color*, the border will automatically turn on and take the same color as the *Fill Color*. To set the color, *Click* on the *Fill Color* button.

2.5 Page Hard Clip Margins

These margins are the minimum margins that the printer must use when printing. By decreasing these values, you may lose part of your play when printing. We have set them to a standard setting, and should only be changed if you are absolutely sure of what you are doing. Even if you change these values, they will not be saved for future use.

2.6 Print Play Name

If you would like to print the play name on the page, turn on this option. You can also position the *Play Name* in any of the 6 preset positions at the top or bottom of the play. You can select the position by *Clicking* on the dot, or radio button, relative to the position where you want the name printed. You can even change the *Play Name* printed by typing in a new title. This will not change the physical name of the play.

3. Area

This screen gives you the ability to reselect what area of the play you would like to print. After seeing what your play will look like on the printed page, you won't have to go back to the *Play* to reselect the printed portion of the play. This will give you the ability necessary to reselect and better position the play on the page.

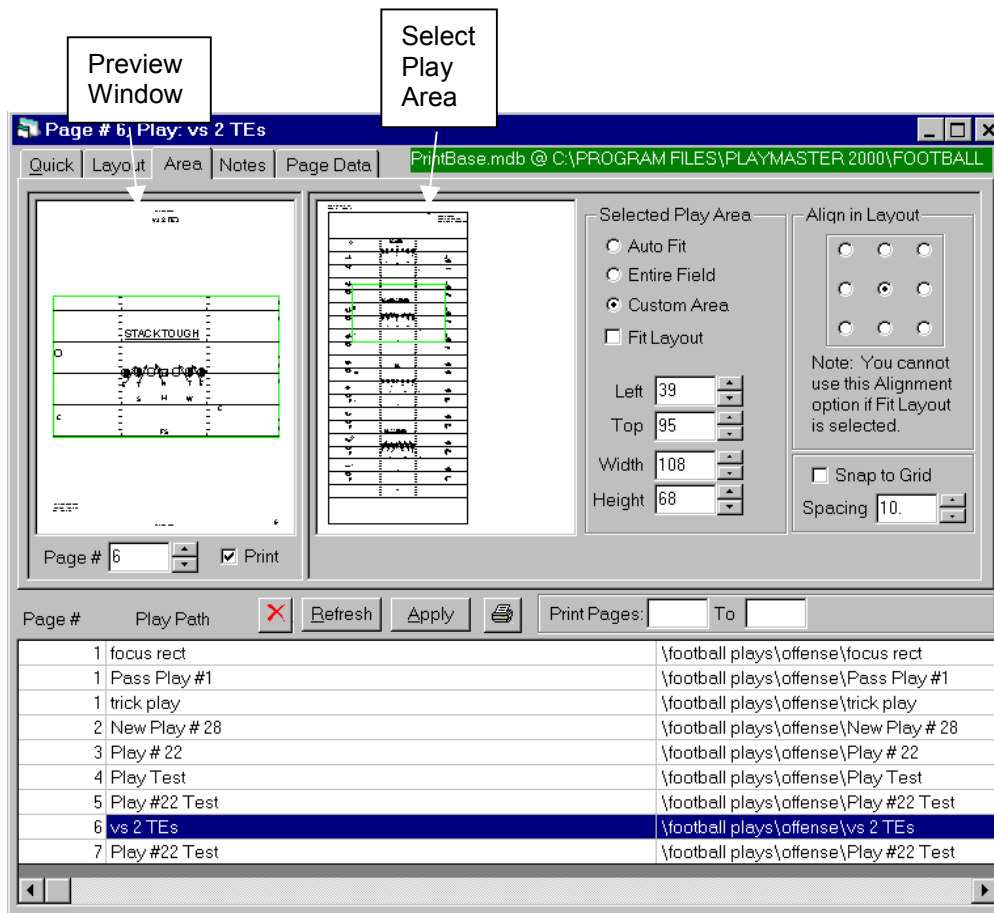


Figure 3a

3.1 Selected Play Area

Most of the time you will use this screen is to do a custom layout. In the left-hand window, or *Preview Window*, you will see what the printed page will look like. In the right-hand window, you will see the entire field with the *Selected Play Area* surrounded by a green box, as shown in Figure 3a.

To select a new area of the play to print, you only need to draw a Focus Rectangle (See Definitions in the *PlayMaster* documentation) in the *Select Play Area* window. As you draw the *Focus Rectangle*, you will see a black box forming in the selected area. (Like Figure 2b) Once you are done drawing the *Focus Rectangle*, press *Apply* to see the newly selected area of the play appear in the *Preview Window*.

For the standard use of *Selected Play Area* options, see *Section 1.2*.

3.2 Align in Layout

Depending on how your selected play area displays in the *Preview Window*, you may be able to better align your play in the selected *Preset Layout*. The most common use is to align your play in the center of the *Preset Layout*. Remember how the *Entire Field* always prints on the left edge of the page? This is how you could move the field to the center of the page. Always press *Apply* to see how it will look in the *Preview Window*.

3.3 Snap to Grid

When this option is turned on, a grid will appear in the *Select Play Area* window. (Figure 3a) This grid is to assist you when you are selecting your custom layout. It will help you create a more precise size of your play on the printed page. You can adjust the size of the grid by changing the *Spacing*.

4. Notes

This screen gives you the ability to customize your coach's notes. You can add, move, or resize your coach's notes from this screen.

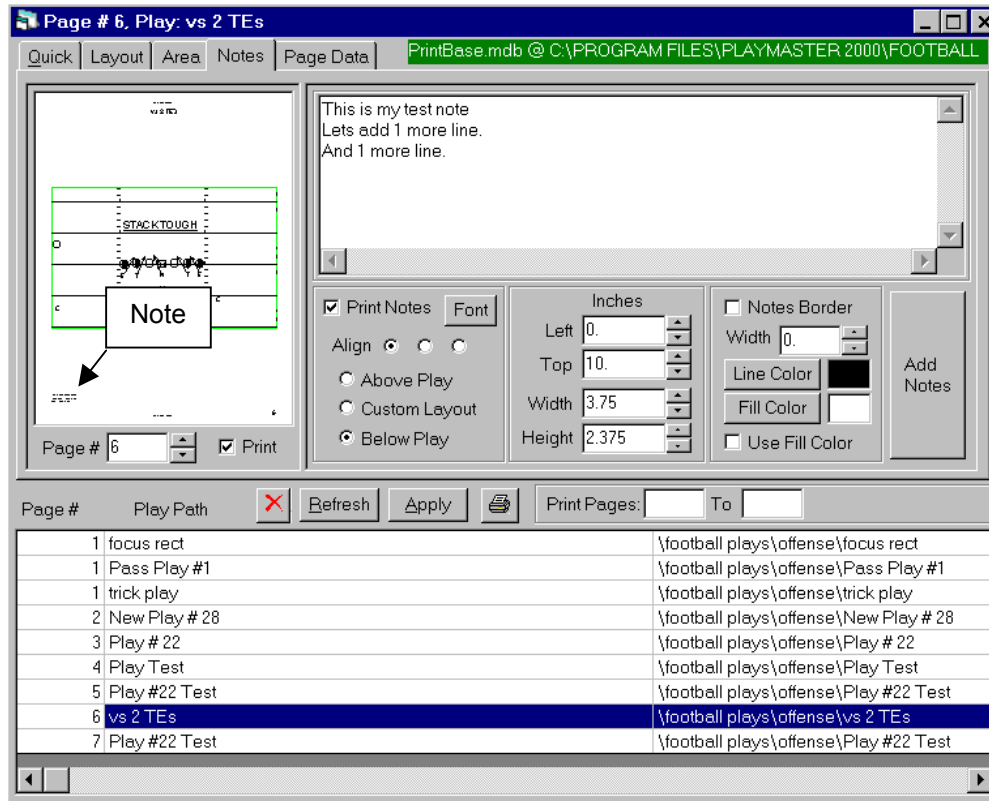


Figure 4a

4.1 Print Notes

If you would like to have the coach's notes printed on the page, you need to turn on this option. With a simple *Click*, you can select the position where the notes will be printed. If you would like to pick a custom position for the notes to be printed, you only need to draw a Focus Rectangle (See Definitions in the *PlayMaster* documentation) in the *Play Preview* window. As you draw the *Focus Rectangle*, you will see a black box forming in the selected area. (Like Figure 2b) Once you are done drawing the *Focus Rectangle*, press *Apply* to see the notes appear in the newly selected area of the page in the *Preview Window*.

4.2 Inches

These values will update automatically when you choose how you want the notes to be printed. If you would like to manually change these values, make sure you select *Custom Layout* first. If you do not, your changes will be ignored.

4.3 Notes Border

This option allows you to place a border around your notes. Unless you change the *Width*, the line will be as thin as possible. You can increase the *Width* if you would like. The line color will be black unless you change the *Line Color*, by *Clicking* on the *Line Color* button.

4.3.1 Fill with Color

You can also pick a color to use for the background inside of the border. This will not cover up the notes, but change it from the standard white background. If you do not have the *Notes Border* turned on when you turn on the *Fill with Color*, the border will automatically turn on and take the same color as the *Fill Color*. To set the color, *Click* on the *Fill Color* button.

4.4 Add Notes

Clicking on this button gives you the ability to add a new play to the *Printbook* that will just contain notes. The green box in the preview window will show the same *Preset Layout* of the play you were just on when you hit the *Add Notes* button. The page number will also be carried over from the page that you were on. Using this feature is a good way of adding general notes to a page, without tying them to a play. If you have multiple plays on a page, you can then have a section of the page just for your notes. By using *Custom Layout*, you can position your notes anywhere on the page. Type the new notes in the *Notes* window.

5. Page Data

This screen allows you to put a header and footer on the printed page, as well as being able to adjust the printed page number and page margins. If you have more than one play on a printed page, the information on this screen will be shared between all plays on the selected page.

If you move a play with a header and/or footer to a Page where plays already exist with a header and/or footer, the play you are moving will take on the same header and footer of the plays already on that page. If you move a play to a page number that is new, the header and footer will be carried with the play to the new page.

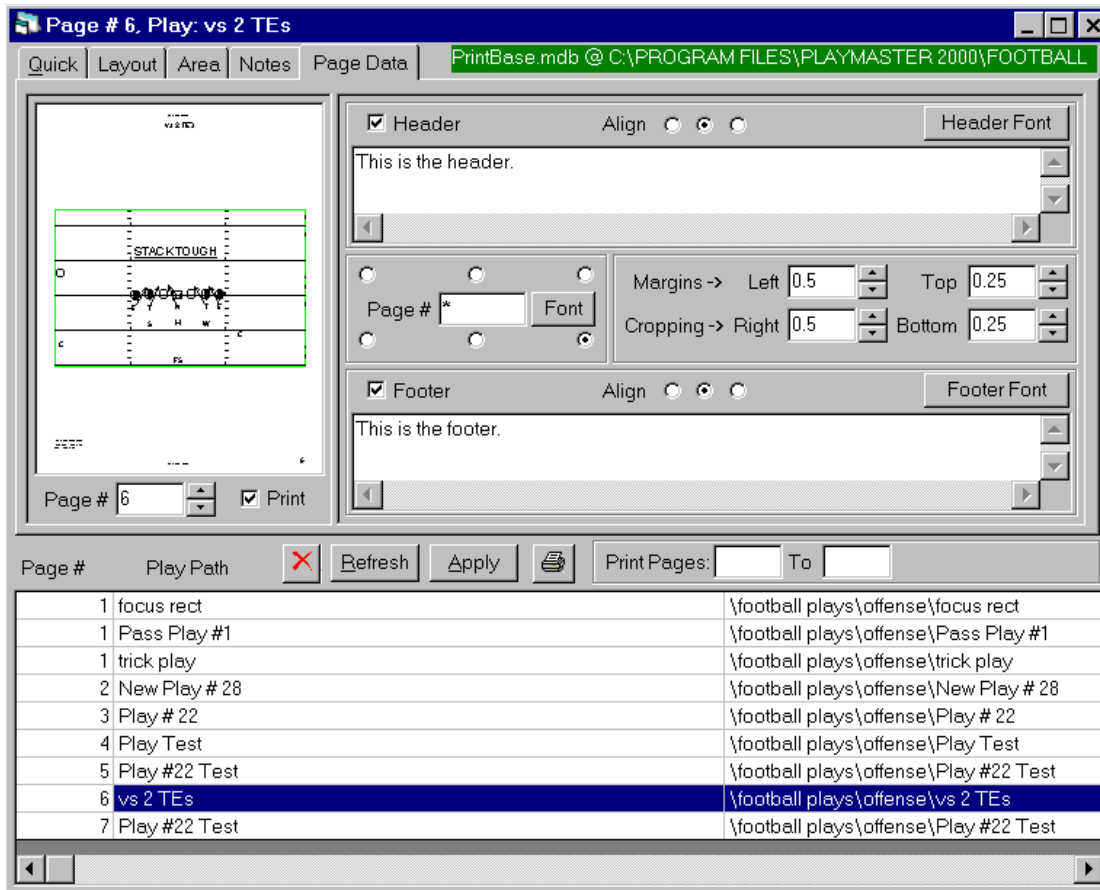


Figure 5a

5.1 Header

By turning on the option, you can print a header at the top of the printed page. You can then align the header either to the *Left*, *Middle*, or *Right* by clicking on the proper dot, or radio button.

5.2 Footer

By turning on the option, you can print a footer at the bottom of the printed page. You can then align the footer either to the *Left*, *Middle*, or *Right* by *clicking* on the proper dot, or radio button.

5.3 Page #

By default, a * will appear for the page number. This tells the program to use the page number displayed underneath the *Play Preview* window. If you would like, you can force a printed page number by placing that number here. You can also change the location of the printed page number by *clicking* on the dot, or *radio button*, for the new location.

5.4 Margins and Cropping

These values can be changed to expand or reduce the area left blank on the edges of the printed page. This can be useful for things like wanting to leave space on the left to punch holes in the paper. These values should never be less than those listed in *Page Hard Clip Margins*. (See Section 2.5) If they are less, you will lose part of your printed page.