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Football Tools User Guide

Portuguese football: scenarios, transfer costs and documented match observations. Five tools with transparent methods.

New in V78
The Tactical Observatory complements the Liga Portugal LAB with evidence-linked match records, original indicators, charts and a weekly editorial issue template. A compact PT | EN selector connects both languages.

Five tools, five questions

- Liga Portugal LAB — what happens in a results scenario?
- Route to the Title — how much could two clubs' points change?
- Team Comparison — how do their indicators compare?
- Transfer Cost Calculator — what is an estimated total deal cost?
- Tactical Observatory — what can documented games actually show?

Figures are entered by visitors; the tools do not guarantee live match information and do not replace official sources.

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Choose the right tool

First decide whether you need a scenario, a cost estimate or a historical observation based on matches already played.

Tool	Best for…
Liga Portugal LAB	Simulating match results and comparing rounds.
Route to the Title	Exploring possible points and gaps between clubs.
Team Comparison	Comparing documented club indicators.
Transfer Cost Calculator	Estimating contract obligations and annualised costs.
Tactical Observatory	Logging sourced games and calculating observed metrics.

Preflight checklist

- Check the date, competition, season and source of every figure.
- Keep observations, estimates and hypothetical scenarios separate.
- Check definitions and sample sizes before interpreting indicators.
- Export CSV/JSON or PDF when evidence needs to be retained.

Do not conflate
A simulation is not a forecast. A statistic, even if correctly calculated, does not by itself establish a tactical explanation.

TOOL 01 · 03/09

Liga Portugal LAB

Explore how hypothetical future results can change league points.

Step by step

1. Open Statistics and locate Liga Portugal LAB.
2. Choose the round and enter the scores to simulate.
3. Save scenario A, then change the relevant games for scenario B.
4. Compare projections and share a scenario when that option is available.

What the model can show

- Projected points and differences across scenarios.
- Three points for a win; one point for a draw.
- Sensitivity of rankings to different match outcomes.

Limits
Scenario scores are not real match results; official tie-breakers can require additional inputs.

Open: English Statistics

TOOL 02 · 04/09

Route to the Title

Explore two clubs’ maximum points and possible gaps.

Step by step

1. Provide two clubs, their current points, and games remaining.
2. Choose hypothetical wins, draws and losses.
3. Compare possible point totals and differences.
4. Take head-to-head games and official tie-breakers into account.

Strictly hypothetical illustration

A club with 60 points and five games remaining can earn at most 15 more points, reaching 75. Its actual final total depends on matches still to be played.

Limits
This is not a prediction of the league winner and does not replace official scheduling or tie-break regulations.

Open: English Statistics

TOOL 03 · 05/09

Team Comparison

Compare two clubs without placing disproportionate weight on one statistic.

Step by step

1. Select teams A and B.
2. Check the competition, season, update date and data sources.
3. Compare the available metrics and identify missing values.
4. Interpret in context: opposition, fixture sequence and sample sizes.

Read each indicator carefully

- Points and results: consider matches played and difficulty.
- Attacking indicators: distinguish volume and conversion.
- Home and away: ensure samples can be compared.
- Cross-competition figures: avoid misleading direct comparisons.

Limits
Source coverage can be incomplete. Missing data must never be treated as zero.

Open: English Statistics

TOOL 04 · 06/09

Transfer Cost Calculator

Estimate the financial commitment associated with a player’s contract.

Step by step

1. Enter the transfer fee.
2. Add available agent fees, sign-on bonuses and other entry costs.
3. Enter contract duration, annual gross wage and optional yearly costs.
4. Review total estimated cost, annual average and cost composition.

Simplified formula

Total cost
Transfer fee + commissions + signing bonuses + contract years × (gross annual wage + other annual expenses).

Hypothetical illustration: €10m fee + €1m commissions + 4 years × €2m/year = €19m, before additional costs.

Limits
This is not a complete representation of club accounting, amortisation, taxation or contractual clauses.

Open: English Statistics

TOOL 05 · 07/09

Tactical Observatory

Portuguese Football by the Numbers. Calculations require documented match input.

Create a source-linked record

1. Enter season, round, date, club, opponent and venue (home/away/neutral).

2. Enter the final score and a public URL for the match source.

3. Enter set-piece goals and opportunities only when both values are complete and comparably defined. Otherwise leave them blank.

4. Confirm source checking, save the game, then select season and round to analyse.

Essential provenance fields

- Season and date; both clubs; competition; score and venue.
- Original public source URL and source type; editorial confirmation.
- Notes about missing matches, revisions and corrections.

Not a live feed
V78 has no automatic official match feed and no pre-populated real games. Every real value requires collection and editorial checking.

Open: Tactical Observatory

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Metrics & weekly reports

Use stable definitions and never conceal missing observations or insufficient samples.

Indicator	Simple calculation / description
Points per match	Points earned ÷ documented matches in the sample.
Recent form	Outcomes and points from up to five available recent games.
Home / away	Points per match calculated by venue, with sample counts.
Goals for / against	Total recorded goals; goal difference = scored − conceded.
Set-piece conversion	Set-piece goals ÷ comparable opportunities only when both figures are complete and sourced.

Recommended editorial weekly issue

1. Identify the season, round, editorial cutoff and match coverage.
2. List every match source and flag missing games.
3. Present the evolution chart and home/away comparisons.
4. Distinguish tactical observation from calculated statistics and commentary.
5. Record authorship, publication date and subsequent corrections.

Reproducibility
Export records to CSV or JSON. Weekly publication requires editorial work; a static site does not automatically schedule reports.

REFERENCE · 09/09

FAQs, sources & quick links

Retain the source log before using any exported chart in an article.

Where are my records kept?

They are stored locally in the current browser. Clearing its data or changing devices may remove them. Export JSON to keep a copy.

Can I import data?

Yes, using JSON produced by the tool, which is checked before import. The CSV template is for documenting source data; it does not imply an automatic official-data feed.

Is set-piece conversion always available?

No. It is calculated only when the numerator and denominator are complete, sourced and comparable. Missing is not available, never zero.

Source reference

Use official Liga Portugal results, tables and match reporting. Record the original URL and date consulted.

Quick links

- Tools User Guide
- Tactical Observatory
- Tools Methodology