

The Rookie Scouting Portfolio Tight End Scouting Checklist

Name: **School:** **Opponent:** **Surface:**
Height: **Year:** **Score:** **Climate:**
Weight: **Date:** **Location:** **Temperature:**

Overall Score:

Category Scores

Separation Score: **Receiving Score:** **BHandling Score:** **Blocking Score:** **Power Score:**
Routes Score: **Elusiveness Score:** **Balance Score:** **Vision Score:** **Durability Score:**

Game Stats

Target: **Dropped After Contact:** **Rec Yards:** **Yards per Td:**
Missed Target: **Rec:** **Yards After Catch:** **Rush Att:**
Drops: **Rec After Contact:** **Yards per Catch:** **Rush Yds:**
Juggles: **Difficult Rec:** **Rec Tds:** **Rush Tds:**
Fumbles:

Routes

Awareness of sideline - 2pts: Yes
 Gets appropriate route depth - 5pts: Yes
 Works back to quarterback - 1pt: Yes
 Breaks back to football - 5pts: Yes
 Sinks hips into breaks - 5pts: No
 Finds soft area of zone coverage - 3pts: Yes
 Doesn't tip off route - 3 pts: No
 Sets up breaks - 1pt: No
 Uses body to shield defender from the ball - 3pts: Yes

Separation

Uses hands effectively to release from press - 3pts: Yes
 Uses feet effectively to release from press - 3pts: Yes
 Gets vertical separation on intermediate/deep routes - 1pt: Yes

Elusiveness

Lower body jukes - 1pt: Yes
 Upper body jukes - 1pt: Yes
 Avoids direct shots - 1pt: Yes
 Can string moves together in space - 1pt: No
 Makes sharp lateral cuts - 1 pt: No

Vision

Good decisions - 2pts: Yes
 Patience - 1pt: Yes
 Open field - 2pts: Yes

Receiving

Gets head around and hands ups quickly out of break - 3pts: Yes
 Adjusts body to the football - 1pt: Yes
 Catches ball with hands away from body - 5pts: Yes
 Catches ball cleanly - 7pts: Yes
 Catches ball with back to the line of scrimmage - 1pt: No
 Catches the ball after contact - 5pts: Yes
 Catches ball in tight coverage - 3pts: Yes
 Makes difficult catches - 1pt: Yes

Ball Handling

Carries ball under correct arm - 1pt.: Yes
 Demonstrates ball security - 2 pts: Yes
 Maintains control of ball when hit - 3 pts: Yes

Blocking

Diagnoses blocking assignments correctly - 1pt: Yes
 Effective cut block technique -1pt: No
 Good hand placement on stand up blocks - 2pts: Yes
 Can deliver a punch on stand up blocks - 2pts: Yes
 Mirrors/moves feet effectively on stand up blocks - 1pt: Yes

Power

Leg power, drives through arm tackles - 2pts: Yes
 Effective stiff arm - 1pt: No
 Runs behind pad/Has good pad level - 1pt: Yes
 Second effort/keeps legs moving after contact - 1pt: Yes

Durability

Missed fewer than 10% of opportunities to play thus far in college career - 2pts: N/A
 Without chronic injuries throughout college career (Two or more injuries to same body part) - 2pts: N/A
 Without injuries requiring extensive rehabilitation during college career - 2pts.: N/A

The Gut Check's TE Scouting Analysis

Name: Virgil Green

Date: 1/9/2011

Opponent: Boston College

Overall Strengths:

Green has the receiving skills to make plays in the NFL. He is quick enough to get 15-20 yards downfield and agile enough to adjust his body to throws and make the catch with his hands. He possesses good concentration and hand-eye coordination. As a blocker, he delivers a good first-punch and he's aggressive with his collisions, frequently knocking defenders off balance when assigned to work as a wing back or motion across the field to deliver a backside blocker. When blocking stand-up, he lacks the strength to get a great push on elite defensive ends, but he is effective helping out his teammates on the line against linemen on double-teams despite the fact he'll probably need to gain 10-15 pounds to really help out at the pro level. He's actually one of the better run blockers I have seen for a player of his size. He runs with good balance and pad level after the catch and he keeps his legs moving to run out of wraps and bounce off hits in the open field.

Overall Weaknesses:

He tends to lose his balance after the initial collision as a blocker. He throws himself forward into his blocks and despite the fact he's a fighter in the trenches, he can get thrown aside because of this flaw with his balance.

Separation

He made an impressive adjustment on a deep seam route on 3rd and 10 for a 25-yard reception between two defenders. He release outside the LB attempting to jam him using his inside arm to ward off contact as he ducked under the rest of the attempted jam. Then he got down the seam quickly and then dipped just inside one safety and turned his back to the second safety to shield the defender from the ball as he made a leaping grab of the catch with his hands in front of his helmet. He took the hit to the chest as he came down with the ball. That was an NFL-worthy play from start to finish. He used his hands well to come off a block to get into the flat on a play action drag route for a seven-yard gain with 14:55 left.

Routes

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Receiving

Green made a diving reception on at the left sideline for a 16-yard gain on 3rd and 7 with 4:43 in the first quarter. The pass was thrown over two defender five yards in front of Green and the TE did a really nice job of leaning for the sideline, dragging his feet inbounds as he extended his arms to the boundary to catch the ball, securing it before he landed out of bounds. He actually caught the back end of the ball and it just shifted slightly because of the velocity it arrived to him. His second target was also a 3rd and 7 situation in the first half. This time Green ran a shallow cross from right end underneath the linebacker, catching the ball with his hands while facing the QB about two yards past the line of scrimmage. He turned to the left, spun out of a hit and a wrap by two defenders five yards downfield and ran through a third tackle 10 yards downfield due to great pad level until he was dragged down from behind for a 16-yard gain with 9:47 in the half. Green's third target was a third-down pass. He made an impressive adjustment on a deep seam route on 3rd and 10 for a 25-yard reception between two defenders. He release outside the LB attempting to jam him, got down the seam quickly and then dipped just inside one safety and turned his back to the second safety to shield the defender from the ball as he made a leaping grab of the catch with his hands in front of his helmet. He took the hit to the chest as he came down with the ball. That was an NFL-worthy play from start to finish. He caught a 1st and 10 drag route in the left flat with his hands and turned up field for another five yards, ducking under a wrap attempt just before he was hit in the waist by a linebacker in pursuit with 14:55 in the game.

Evasiveness

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Ball Handling

He began his 14-yard run with the ball under his left arm and after he spun out of a hit and wrap in the middle of the field, he switched the ball to his right arm to avoid defenders coming from the left flat to hit him on a 3rd and 7 gain of 16 yards with 9:46 in the half.

Balance

Green ran a shallow cross from right end underneath the linebacker, catching the ball with his hands while facing the QB about two yards past the line of scrimmage. He turned to the left, spun out of a hit and a wrap by two defenders five yards downfield and ran through a third tackle 10 yards downfield due to great pad level until he was dragged down from behind for a 16-yard gain with 9:47 in the half. He showed great balance to run through the head-on collision and spin away from the wrap and then get his pads square and lower than the oncoming defender up the left flat so that the DB actually got hit by his own player as he hit Green. Even better, he put his hand on the ground to keep his balance as he fell forward to gain another 2-3 yards at the end of the run.

Blocking

Green was able to punch and turn the right defensive end inside on a designed QB Keeper to right end for seven yards on 1st and 10 with 14:14 in the first quarter. Green didn't sustain the block long enough to prevent the defender from pursuing the QB, but he was able to move the defender inside and fight with his hands long enough for the QB to pass him before the defender could turn outside and give chase. Green did an excellent job attacking the outside linebacker as he came across the formation after the snap on a run off left guard for four yards on 2nd and 3 with 14:00 in the first quarter. Green delivered a hard shot, knocking him to his knee and the linebacker off balance. Green followed up with a second punch, knocking the defender to the ground to seal the backside pursuit. He helped with a double team of the RDE on the next play and his initial punch could be heard from the sideline, but he was thrown to the ground by the defender in the process. Green tends to deliver a really strong first punch, but this is the second play in a row that he loses his balance in the process of doing so. Green gave up a sack as the backside protector on the RDT on a designed half-roll left with three receivers on the left side on this 2nd and 7 pass play with 12:55 in the first quarter. There seemed to be a mix-up with the RT and RG because the RG blocked the LDT and the RT seemed to be trying to reach block the LDT which gave the RDT a free opening behind the RT. The TE tried to reach block the RDT, but without the help of the RT on a double team the RDT blew inside the TE and got to the QB. The TE tried to get in the defender's way, but the defender was about 60-80 pounds bigger and too strong. He helped with a double team on the RDE, coming off the line quickly and using his hands to deliver a punch and follow up with a push on a five-yard gain. With 10:03 in the first quarter. He got a push on the LDE with a hard punch to begin a block on a 1st and 10 play action pass to the slot receiver in the right flat for a seven-yard gain with 6:42 in the first quarter. Green didn't get completely square with the outside rusher coming down the line on a 2nd and 2 run off the right side for a six-yard gain with 6:05 in the first quarter, but he delivered a nice enough shot to the shoulder of the defender to seal the front edge for the RB to get downfield. Good initial punch and use of his hands to stand up the DE on the backside of a play action pass to the left flat for a 27-yard score with 3:42 in the first quarter. He did a good job sticking and moving with a safety in the left flat as the wingback on a 1st and 10 play fake of a fly sweep that was actually a QB Keeper for five yards with 0:08 in the first quarter. Thus far, Green blocks well in the open field and is aggressive enough to be effective as a slot TE or wingback in most offenses. Excellent backside block on a 1st and 5 sweep to right end that the RB took behind two pulling linemen with 8:10 in the half. Green got lower than the RDE, delivered a solid punch and turned the lineman inside as the RB took the exchange from the QB. The DE eventually took an outside release from the TE, but by the time he got through Green's hands, the RB was already three yards in front of him and turning up field to the line of scrimmage behind his lead blockers. Another nice job turning his LDE to the inside and out of the play on a 1st and 10 sweep to left end for nine yards with 4:43 in the half. I like how his hands were in constant motion to keep them in front of the LDE in pass protection on a 2nd and 1 crossing route completed for 13 yards with 3:53 in the half. He moved well with the DE on the edge to keep him in control on the play. Good hand placement and push on the linebacker on a 1st and 10 run around left end for a two-yard gain to the 11 yard-line with 1:50 in the third quarter.

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Durability

Character