2005 NFL PLAYOFF SCENARIOS (Updated)

December 20, 2005 For Week 16 (Additions in bold and italics)

AFC EAST

New England has clinched division.

AFC NORTH

Cincinnati has clinched division.

AFC SOUTH

Indianapolis has clinched homefield advantage.

Jacksonville can clinch playoff berth with:

JAX win, <u>OR</u>
JAX tie + PIT loss or tie, <u>OR</u>
JAX tie + SD loss, <u>OR</u>
PIT loss + KC loss or tie.

AFC WEST

Denver has clinched playoff berth.

Denver can clinch division with:

1) DEN win or tie, OR

2) SD loss or tie.

Denver can clinch first-round bye with:

1) DEN win + CIN loss.

NFC EAST

New York Giants can clinch division with:

1) NYG win or tie.

New York Giants can clinch playoff berth with:

1) MIN loss or tie, <u>OR</u>

2) TB loss + CHI win or tie + NYG clinch strength of victory tiebreaker over TB and MIN.

Washington can clinch playoff berth with:

1) WAS win + DAL loss + MIN loss + ATL loss.

NFC NORTH

Chicago can clinch division with:

1) CHI win or tie, OR

2) MIN loss or tie.

Chicago can clinch first-round bye with:

1) CHI win + NYG loss + CAR loss.

Chicago can clinch playoff berth with:

WAS loss or tie, <u>OR</u>
TB loss.

NFC SOUTH

Carolina can clinch division with:

CAR win + TB loss or tie, <u>OR</u>
CAR tie + TB loss.

Carolina can clinch playoff berth with:

CAR win or tie, <u>OR</u>
WAS loss or tie + ATL loss or tie + MIN loss or tie, <u>OR</u>
WAS loss or tie + ATL loss or tie + CHI win or tie.

Tampa Bay can clinch playoff berth with:

TB win + DAL loss or tie + WAS loss or tie, <u>OR</u>
TB win + DAL loss or tie + MIN loss or tie, <u>OR</u>
TB win + WAS loss or tie + MIN loss or tie, <u>OR</u>
TB win + DAL loss or tie + CHI win or tie, <u>OR</u>
TB win + WAS loss or tie + CHI win or tie.

NFC WEST

Seattle has clinched first-round bye.

Seattle can clinch homefield advantage with:

1) SEA win or tie, OR

2) CHI loss or tie.

Arizona, Baltimore, Buffalo, Cleveland, Detroit, Green Bay, Houston, Miami, New Orleans, N.Y. Jets, Oakland, Philadelphia, St. Louis, San Francisco and Tennessee have been eliminated from playoff contention.