



## NFL SIDELINE SUITS ARE LUCKY GARB; NOLAN & DEL RIO WILL WEAR THEM AGAIN

Their fathers must have taught them to dress for success!

In Week 11 of the 2006 NFL season, head coaches **MIKE NOLAN** of the San Francisco 49ers and **JACK DEL RIO** of the Jacksonville Jaguars sported blazers and ties on the sideline – just like the old-time coaches used to wear – designed by Reebok.

Wearing a sport wool blazer with team-color lining and a silk tie that featured a repeating team-color stripe – both part of Reebok’s Prestige Sport Collection – each coach led his team to victory. Both coaches wore their sideline suits for a second time in Week 14. Del Rio finished 2-0 in his finery, while Nolan went 1-1 in his.

Nolan, who originally came up with the idea of dressing up as a way to honor his father – former Niners head coach **DICK NOLAN** (1968-75) – and Del Rio now can wear a suit and tie on the sideline for all their team’s home games in 2007 .

"I would like to thank Commissioner **ROGER GOODELL** and Reebok for allowing me to wear a suit at our home contests," said Nolan after the NFL responded to his request to wear his sideline threads again this season. "As I mentioned before, I made this request out of the high amount of respect I have for the NFL, the San Francisco 49ers, my father and all of the former coaches who have worn suits."

Del Rio became interested in dressing up for games last season upon learning of Nolan’s desire to suit up on the sidelines.

"I thought, 'If Reebok ever put together something, I'd be interested,'" said Del Rio. "I'd love to do that."

The NFL worked with Reebok to design the Prestige Sport Collection for its coaches. **DAN REEVES** is believed to be the last NFL head coach to wear a tie and jacket on the sideline. Coaches have worn team-issued clothing since 1993.

## TOMLINSON BESTS JERSEY SALES

In San Diego, the jerseys of Chargers running back and reigning NFL MVP **LA DAINIAN TOMLINSON** – who set the record for rushing touchdowns in a season in 2006 with 28 – are flying off the shelves. Since April 1, Tomlinson’s No. 21 Chargers jersey is the top seller among all NFL players. Two rookies – quarterbacks **JA MARCUS RUSSELL** (Oakland) and **BRADY QUINN** (Cleveland) – rank among the Top 25 over that span.

Following are the top-selling player jerseys from April 1-July 15, 2007 (rookies italicized):

### TOP-SELLING NFL PLAYER JERSEYS

1.	LaDainian Tomlinson, S.D. Chargers	14.	Donovan McNabb, Philadelphia Eagles
2.	Reggie Bush, New Orleans Saints	15.	Brian Westbrook, Philadelphia Eagles
3.	Brian Urlacher, Chicago Bears	16.	Carson Palmer, Cincinnati Bengals
4.	Troy Polamalu, Pittsburgh Steelers	17.	Brett Favre, Green Bay Packers
5.	Vince Young, Tennessee Titans	18.	Drew Brees, New Orleans Saints
6.	Peyton Manning, Indianapolis Colts	19.	Hines Ward, Pittsburgh Steelers
7.	Shawne Merriman, S.D. Chargers	20.	Jay Cutler, Denver Broncos
8.	<i>JaMarcus Russell, Oakland Raiders</i>	21.	Brian Dawkins, Philadelphia Eagles
9.	Ben Roethlisberger, Pittsburgh Steelers	22.	Eli Manning, New York Giants
10.	Chad Johnson, Cincinnati Bengals	23.	Steve Smith, Carolina Panthers
11.	Tom Brady, New England Patriots	24.	Larry Johnson, Kansas City Chiefs
12.	<i>Brady Quinn, Cleveland Browns</i>	25.	Frank Gore, San Francisco 49ers
13.	Philip Rivers, S.D. Chargers		

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