

TPG Rating Information

TPG = Trainer Performance (or Power) Grade

Introduction

The TPG is new to HTR software as of July 2006. The rating is derived from the data found in the Trainer Stats (text) file. You'll need to download those files in order to see the TPG grades.

If you get your daily files from the auto-download in HTR2, be sure to checkmark the box for Trainer Stats along with the corresponding Racefile. If you download from the Internet, there is a new combo option: Racefile + Trainer File together.

If the trainer file data is not found (the file not downloaded), all the trainers in each race will show an "N" for their rating. The TPG can be found on the main Program Screen [PRGM] and the [KM] or [TLC] under the column "TPG". It is also exported with from the HX4 option as a text field. The TPG is not available in the 'Robot' yet, but will be in the future.

Trainer Stats

The trainer stats file contains a wealth of data that is situational for today's horse and race type. Many pertinent angles are listed (such as "blinkers on") along with general statistics for the trainer at the track, dist/surf and class type. But the multitude of data can be difficult to grasp; often the individual statistics tend to conflict. The TPG takes care of this problem and gives you a clear appraisal.

HTR Scans the Trainer File for you

HTR2 software will scan the trainer data and link the statistics with a sophisticated algorithm. You won't even need to look at the text, although it is still there; click the [TRN] button to view.

The TPG Grade

There are two elements involved with the TPG, the letter grade and a (+) or (-) sign when applicable. Don't confuse the hierarchy of school grading here; for example a C+ could be much more valuable than an B- if you are a value or longshot player.

The letter grade is based on the win% and impact value for the trainer in 5-9 categories.

- A** Outstanding win percentage in this race situation or with this type of horse
- B** Above average win rate, solid
- C** Average impact or the data is highly conflicting
- D** Below average win rate, infrequent success
- F** Very poor, rarely if ever wins
- N** Insufficient data, new trainer, or the file was not downloaded
- +** Plus sign – positive ROI, gets longshots home, value trainer
- Generally negative returns, mostly hits with chalk or under valued horses
- blank** Neutral, average or conflicting return information

Example Race

Horse	Odds	TPG
# 1	4/5	C-
# 2	3/1	B
# 3	15/1	C+
# 4	40/1	D-

Analysis

Horse #1 is a bad bet as the trainer is just average in this situation and loses money for the bettors in the long run. #2 has a solid trainer, so consider other factors, may be a good bet to beat #1. #3 may be the price play; trainer has average production for winners but (+) indicates that he gets across longshots and has solid returns for his backers. #4 may still be a stab if other factors are present, such as \$\$, PED, Wk strength; we shouldn't be too picky at 40/1!