

GAME NOTES
Calgary Stampeders vs Winnipeg Blue Bombers
McMahon Stadium
Week 10
Saturday, Aug. 9, 2025



1. GAME OVERVIEW

The Calgary Stampeders kick off the August portion of their 2025 Canadian Football League schedule with a home date against the Winnipeg Blue Bombers.

It's the third meeting in six weeks between the West Division foes with Calgary having prevailed in the first two encounters – 37-16 at McMahon Stadium in Week 5 and 41-20 in Winnipeg in Week 7. The Stamps are attempting to complete their first sweep of a season series with the Blue Bombers since 2016 when Calgary took all three meetings with Winnipeg.

Calgary (5-3) is looking to get back into the win column after losing back-to-back games against Montreal and Ottawa. Last week's game in the Nation's Capital saw the Redblacks down the Red and White by a score of 31-11.

Meanwhile, Winnipeg (4-3) snapped a three-game losing streak last week with a 40-31 home-field victory over the Toronto Argonauts.

The Stamps are 3-0 against West Division rivals so far this season and 2-2 on their home turf. The Blue Bombers are 3-2 against the West and 1-2 on the road.

2. HISTORICAL NOTES

- Today's game is the 1,303rd regular-season game in Stampeders history. The Stamps have 709 wins, 571 losses and 22 ties since 1945. Calgary has played 651 games at home, with a record of 411-229-11, and 651 games on the road (298-342-11)
- This is the 219th regular-season meeting of all time between Calgary and Winnipeg. The Stamps lead the all-time series 116-102 including a 71-37 mark in Calgary

3. 2025 STATS LEADERS

CALGARY STAMPEDERS

- PASSING YARDS: Vernon Adams Jr. – 1,913
- RUSHING YARDS: Dedrick Mills – 555
- RECEIVING YARDS: Dominique Rhymes – 513
- DEFENSIVE TACKLES: Jacob Roberts – 43
- SPECIAL-TEAMS TACKLES: Godfrey Onyeka – 11
- SACKS: Jaylon Hutchings – 4
- INTERCEPTIONS: Adrian Greene – 4
- TOUCHDOWNS: Dedrick Mills – 7
- POINTS: René Paredes – 62

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WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS

- PASSING YARDS: Zach Collaros – 1,031
- RUSHING YARDS: Brady Oliveira – 310
- RECEIVING YARDS: Nic Demski – 484
- DEFENSIVE TACKLES: Tony Jones – 41
- SPECIAL-TEAMS TACKLES: Michael Ayers, Tanner Cadwallader, Jaylen Smith – 8
- SACKS: Tony Jones – 3
- INTERCEPTIONS: Marquise Bridges, Evan Holm – 2
- TOUCHDOWNS: Nic Demski – 5
- POINTS: Sergio Castillo – 69

4. NOTABLES

- **Something special:** In his first season with the Stampeders, veteran Canadian **Godfrey Onyeka** has provided a boost to Calgary's special-teams units. The seven-year veteran out of Wilfrid Laurier University leads the team and ranks fifth in the CFL with 11 special-teams tackles including a season-high three takedowns last week in Ottawa. Onyeka is just two special-teams tackles shy of his single-season career high of 13, established in 2019 when he was playing for Edmonton
- **Deep threats:** Through the first eight games of the season, the Stampeders have 17 pass completions covering at least 30 yards. That's a significant turnaround from the 2024 season when Calgary ranked last in the CFL with just 19 explosive passing plays. The explosions have been spread out as **Damien Alford** leads the team with five catches of 30-plus yards, **Dominique Rhymes** has four, **Clark Barnes** and **Jalen Philpot** both have three and **Erik Brooks** and **Tevin Jones** have one apiece
- **Stamps stingy on D:** Calgary has allowed the fewest offensive touchdowns in the CFL with just 11 majors yielded in eight games. That's five fewer than Winnipeg and Ottawa, who are tied as the second-stingiest teams in the league when it comes to TDs allowed

**Fewest offensive touchdowns allowed
(Thru Week 8)**

Calgary	11
Winnipeg	16
Ottawa	16
Hamilton	19
Saskatchewan	19
Montreal	19

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- **Rhymes on a roll:** Stamps receiver **Dominique Rhymes** enters this week's contest with a catch in 63 consecutive games, the third-longest active streak in the CFL. Winnipeg's Nic Demski is the active leader with a catch in 78 straight games while Calgary's **Reggie Begelton** – currently on the six-game injury list – is second with 72 consecutive contests with at least one reception
- **Bombs away:** With three touchdown passes at Winnipeg in Week 7, **Vernon Adams Jr.** has a personal-best 17 career touchdown passes against the Blue Bombers. Adams has thrown at least nine touchdowns against seven teams in the league, the only exceptions naturally being the two teams with which he had spent his career before joining the Stampeders – the Montreal Alouettes and the BC Lions

Vernon Adams Jr. career TD passes by opponent

Team	TDs
Winnipeg	17
Hamilton	16
Calgary	15
Ottawa	14
Toronto	14
Saskatchewan	12
Edmonton	9
Montreal	7
BC	1

- **Paredes is three-mendous:** Calgary kicker **René Paredes** last week became the sixth member of the CFL's 600 club in career field goals when he connected on a 37-yard attempt against the Ottawa Redblacks. Paredes needs 18 field goals to pass ex-Blue Bomber Troy Westwood on the CFL's all-time list in three-pointers

CFL career leaders in field goals

Lui Passaglia	875
Paul McCallum	722
Mark McLoughlin	673
Paul Osbaldiston	669
Troy Westwood	617
René Paredes	600

5. MILESTONE WATCH

- Jacob Roberts needs three defensive tackles for 50 in his career
- Vernon Adams Jr. needs 87 passing yards for 2,000 this season
- Micah Teitz needs two special-teams tackles for 50 in his career
- Adrian Greene needs one game played for 50 in his career

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6. PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Damien Alford (AL-furd)
Jeshrun Antwi (JESH-rawn ANT-wee)
Kelechi Anyalebechi (kuh-LEH-chee AN-yuh-luh-BE-chee)
Reggie Begelton (BEG-uhl-tuhn)
Eno Benjamin (EE-no)
Morice Blackwell Jr. (moh-REES)
Ludowick Choquette (LOOD-wik SHUH-ket)
Josiah Coatney (joh-SY-uh KOAT-nee)
D'Antne Demery (dee-AWN-tay DE-muh-ree)
Anthony Federico (FED-uh-REE-koh)
Chris Fortin (fawr-TIHN)
Marloshawn Franklin (MAR-loh-shawn)
George Idoko (ih-DOH-koh)
Tomas Jack-Kurdyla (TO-mawss JAK-kuhr-DIL-uh)
Vyshonne Janusas (vuh-SHAWN JAN-a-sis)
Tevin Jones (TE-vin)
Ben Labrosse (LUH-bross)
Marquel Lee (MAR-kell)
Fraser Masin (FRAY-zuhr muh-ZIN)
Dedrick Mills (DEE-drik)
Christy Nkanu (nuh-KA-noo)
Godfrey Onyeka (OWN-yeah-kuh)
Folarin Orimolade (fo-LAIR-in oh-RIM-uh-LAW-day)
Rene Paredes (puh-RED-ess)
Jalen Philpot (JAY-lin FILL-pot)
Dominique Rhymes (daw-muh-NEEK)
Dolani Robinson (DOH-lawn-ee)
Justin Sambu (SAM-boo)
Jackson Sombach (SOM-back)
Kaylyn St-Cyr (KAY-lin SAINT-SEER)
Micah Teitz (MY-kuh TIGHTS)
Kelon Thomas (KUH-lawn)
Mark Vassett (VA-sett)