

FIXTURE: Kiel vs Bochum

COMPETITION: Bundesliga 2

SCORE: 1-1

DATE: 25/10/25

PLAYER: John Tolkin

CLUB: Kiel

AGE: 23 (31/7/2002)

HEIGHT: 5'7

NATIONALITY: American

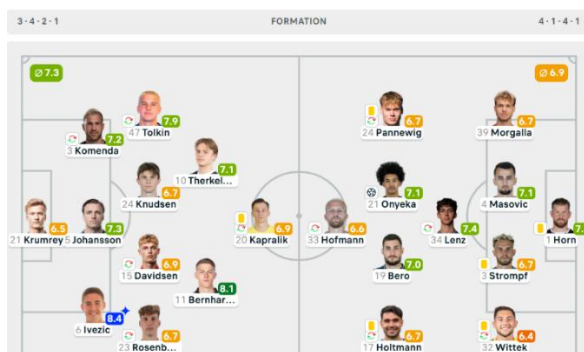
POSITION(S) & FORMATION PLAYED IN: LWB & LM in a 3-4-2-1

CONTRACT EXP: 30/6/2026

LEADING FOOT: Left

AGENT: YMU Management

LINE UPS



TECHNICAL 7/10

- Has good ball control and dribbling (Especially in tight spaces).
- Is good with both feet
- Short passing was good with most passes reaching a teammate.
- Crossing and general end product was good as ball was put into dangerous areas with pace and precision.
- TACTICAL 7/10
- In possession he would be high up the pitch hugging the touchline and out of possession would be in a LWB position.
- Tracks back well to move into a defensive position to help team.



- Makes runs on the outside aswell as underlapping runs to create space/gaps for team mates.
- 1V1 attacking is poor as he failed to beat his marker/lost the ball in duels.
- Makes runs to the far post when crosses are delivered, trying to get on the end of them.
- Is versatile as can play as a wingback/fullback or higher up the pitch.
- Stuck to his defensive tasks well as he stayed with runners and was solid 1v1 defensively.

MENTAL 7/10

- Showed good work rate as was running up and down the wings.
- Was vocal in talking to his teammates throughout the game.
- Was brave in competing for balls in the air due to his size.

PHYSICAL 6/10

- Not quick or strong so is not a threat on the transition.
- Has good stamina and energy levels.
- Showed good acceleration and agility.

CONCLUSION COMMENTS

He had a quiet game where he was ineffective and did not cause any threat attacking wise.

He is a USA international having played at the 2024 Olympics so he has experience or playing at a good level at a young age.

Would monitor again in another game.

PERFORMANCE GRADE: 6/10

SUITABILITY: In a team that plays with wing backs or a possession based team as he was comfortable with the ball.

CURRENT LEVEL: Bundesliga 2

LEAGUE POTENTIAL: Dutch league

Please see below for transfer history and stats for the season

TRANSFER HISTORY						
<small>i This is the transfer history of John Tolkin. The flag next to each club indicates the country of the club's league.</small>						
Season	Date	Left	Joined	MV	Fee	
24/25	16/01/2025	New York	Holstein Kiel	€4.00m	€2.50m	>
19/20	14/01/2020	NYRB Academy	New York	€100k	-	>
19/20	30/11/2019	NY Red Bulls II	NYRB Academy	€100k	End of loan	>
19/20	04/07/2019	NYRB Academy	NY Red Bulls II	-	loan transfer	>
Total transfer fees:					€2.50m	

STATS OF JOHN TOLKIN						
Competition						
2. Bundesliga	9	1	2	696'	696'	
DFB-Pokal	1	1	-	90'	90'	
Total	10	2	2	393'	786'	