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A's Place Crosby on 15-Day Disabled List; Reinstate Barton from DL

OAKLAND, Calif. – The Oakland A's have placed infielder Bobby Crosby on the 15-day disabled list retroactive to August 18 with a strained left calf, the club announced today. To take his spot on the roster, the A's have reinstated first baseman Daric Barton from the disabled list.

Crosby was batting .223 with six home runs and 27 RBI in 87 games before injuring his calf Monday night against New York. He was batting .279 with one walk over his last 30 games after hitting .138 over his previous 36 contests. Crosby has appeared in 51 games at first base, 34 at third base, six at shortstop, five at second base, one in right field and one at designated hitter and is the first Athletic to appear in at least five games at all four infield positions since Ernie Riles in 1991. This is his seventh career stint on the DL.

Barton hit .227 (5 for 22) during a seven-game rehab assignment with the A's affiliate in the Arizona Rookie League and Single-A Stockton. He was placed on the DL July 28 retroactive to July 27 with a strained left hamstring. Barton was recalled from Triple-A Sacramento July 20 for his second stint with the A's this year and started five of the A's eight games at first base before going on the DL. He is batting .147 with a home run and three RBI in 17 games overall with Oakland this year.

The A's have now used the disabled list 16 times this year after setting an Oakland record by using it 25 times in 2008. Oakland has used the DL 63 times since the start of the 2007 season. The A's currently have seven players on the DL and have not had fewer than three players on the disabled list since the end of the 2006 season.

The complete statistics for Barton on his rehab assignment follow:

	AVG	G	AB	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
Arizona A's (Rookie)	.278	6	18	3	5	1	0	1	3	6	4	0	0	.500	.458
Stockton (A)	.000	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	.000

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