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A's Agree to Terms With RHP Trevor Cahill on 5-Year Contract

New Agreement Runs Through 2015 Season with Club Options for 2016 and 2017

OAKLAND, Calif. – The Oakland Athletics have agreed to terms with All-Star pitcher Trevor Cahill on a new five-year contract for the 2011 through 2015 seasons, the club announced today. The agreement also includes club options for both the 2016 and 2017 seasons.

By virtue of the new contract, the A's will avoid future arbitration with the 23-year-old Cahill, as well as his first three seasons (2015-17) of possible free agency.

The 6-4, 226-pound right-hander, a second-round selection by Oakland in the 2006 First-Year Player Draft, has registered a 29-21 record (.580) and 3.69 ERA in 64 career games, all starts, since making his major league debut in 2009. He is 1-0 with a 1.42 ERA in his first two starts of 2011, having allowed seven hits, struck out 15 batters and walked four in 12.2 innings.

The Oceanside, Calif. native enjoyed a breakout season last year, carving out an 18-8 mark and 2.97 ERA in 30 starts and 196.2 innings en route to making the American League All-Star team. He ranked third in the American League in opponents batting average (.220), fourth in ERA and opponents on-base percentage (.287), tied for fourth in wins, tied for fifth in winning percentage (.692) and ranked sixth in opponents slugging (.332). His 18 wins as a 22-year-old were the most by an American League pitcher under the age of 23 in a quarter century (Bret Saberhagen, Kansas City, 20 in 1985). Cahill entered this season with 28 career wins, which were the second most in Oakland history by a pitcher before his 23rd birthday, trailing only Vida Blue's 30.

During one stretch from May 5 to Aug. 14 last season, the sinker ball specialist reeled off 20 straight starts in which he allowed six hits or less while pitching five innings or more. That remarkable streak matched the longest in modern major league history (since 1900) held by Hall of Famer Nolan Ryan (July 27, 2972 to April 18, 1973). In his charter 2009 campaign, Cahill fashioned a 10-13 record and 4.63 ERA, leading the A's and all major league rookies in games started. He also ranked second among AL rookies in innings pitched with a team-high 178.2.

The complete year-by-year and career Oakland statistics for Cahill:

CAHILL	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	Н	R	ER	BB	SO
2009	10	13	4.63	32	32	0	0	0	178.2	185	99	92	72	90
2010	18	8	2.97	30	30	1	1	0	196.2	155	73	65	63	118
2011	1	0	1.42	2	2	0	0	0	12.2	7	2	2	4	15
CAREER	29	21	3.69	64	64	1	1	0	388.0	347	174	159	139	223

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