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### **A's Recall IF/OF Carter from Sacramento; Place OF Willingham on DL**

**OAKLAND, Calif.** – The Oakland A's recalled infielder/outfielder Chris Carter from Triple-A Sacramento and placed outfielder Josh Willingham on the 15-day disabled list retroactive to June 18 with a strained left achilles, the club announced today.

Carter was batting .235 with five home runs and 21 RBI in 23 games with Triple-A Sacramento and also hit .333 with three home runs and seven RBI during a six-game rehab assignment with Single-A Stockton. He was on the River Cats disabled list from April 22 to June 4 with a sprained left wrist and was 11 for 33 (.333) with three home runs and eight RBI in nine games with Sacramento after returning June 13. Carter's first six defensive appearances came in left field but his last 19 have come at first base. The 24-year old right-handed hitter made his Major League debut with the A's last year and hit .186 with three home runs and seven RBI in 24 games. Carter batted .342 over his final 13 games after starting his career 0-for-33.

Willingham was batting .231 in 64 games and was leading the A's in home runs (10), RBI (42) and strikeouts (76). He was hitting .333 with runners in scoring position but was third in the American League in strikeouts. Willingham was batting .204 in June. This is his fifth career stint on the disabled list.

The complete 2011 statistics for Carter follow:

<b>CARTER</b>	<b>AVG</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>AB</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>2B</b>	<b>3B</b>	<b>HR</b>	<b>RBI</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>SO</b>	<b>SB</b>	<b>CS</b>	<b>SLG</b>	<b>OBP</b>
Sacramento (AAA)	.235	23	85	12	20	5	1	5	21	17	31	1	1	.494	.362
Stockton (A)	.333	6	24	3	8	0	0	3	7	4	8	0	0	.708	.429

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