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### A's Agree to Terms with OF Manny Ramirez on Minor League Contract

**OAKLAND, Calif.** – The Oakland A's agreed to terms with outfielder Manny Ramirez on a minor league contract for the 2012 season, the club announced today. Ramirez will report to spring training as a non-roster invitee by the end of this week.

Ramirez is a .312 career hitter with 555 home runs and 1,831 RBI in 2,302 games over 19 seasons with Cleveland (1993-2000), Boston (2001-08), the Los Angeles Dodgers (2008-10), the Chicago White Sox (2010) and Tampa Bay (2011). He ranks 14th in Major League history in home runs, 17th in RBI, 25th in doubles (547), 36th in walks (1329), 57th in runs (1544) and tied for 84th in hits (2574). A 12-time All-Star, Ramirez also has 21 career grand slams, which is third most behind Lou Gehrig (23) and Alex Rodriguez (22).

Ramirez has won nine Silver Slugger Awards and has finished in the top six in MVP voting seven times in his career. He led the American League with 165 RBI in 1999 with Cleveland and won a batting championship and home run crown with Boston, hitting .349 in 2002 and slugging 43 home runs in 2004. The 39-year-old veteran hit a career-high 45 home runs in 1998 and 2005 and has 12 seasons with 30 or more home runs. He has driven in at least 100 runs 12 times and batted .300 or better 11 times. Ramirez has reached postseason play 11 times in his career and won World Series Championships with Boston in 2004 and 2007.

Ramirez began the 2011 season with Tampa Bay and went 1-for-17 (.059) with one RBI in five games before retiring April 8. Prior to playing for Oakland, he will first serve a 50-game suspension for violating Major League Baseball's drug policy.

The complete career statistics for Ramirez follow:

Year	Club	AVG.	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
1993	Cleveland	.170	22	53	5	9	1	0	2	5	2	8	0	0	.302	.200
1994	Cleveland	.269	91	290	51	78	22	0	17	60	42	72	4	2	.521	.357
1995	Cleveland	.308	137	484	85	149	26	1	31	107	75	112	6	6	.558	.402
1996	Cleveland	.309	152	550	94	170	45	3	33	112	85	104	8	5	.582	.981
1997	Cleveland	.328	150	561	99	184	40	0	26	88	79	115	2	3	.538	.415
1998	Cleveland	.294	150	571	108	168	35	2	45	145	76	121	5	3	.599	.377
1999	Cleveland	.333	147	522	131	174	34	3	44	165	96	131	2	4	.663	.442
2000	Cleveland	.351	118	439	92	154	34	2	38	122	86	117	1	1	.697	.457
2001	Boston	.306	142	529	93	162	33	2	41	125	81	147	0	1	.609	.405
2002	Boston	.349	120	436	84	152	31	0	33	107	73	85	0	0	.647	.450
2003	Boston	.325	154	569	117	185	36	1	37	104	97	94	3	1	.587	.427
2004	Boston	.308	152	568	108	175	44	0	43	130	82	124	2	4	.613	.397
2005	Boston	.292	152	554	112	162	30	1	45	144	80	119	1	0	.594	.388
2006	Boston	.321	130	449	79	144	27	1	35	102	100	102	0	1	.619	.439
2007	Boston	.296	133	483	84	143	33	1	20	88	71	92	0	0	.493	.388
2008	Boston	.299	100	365	66	109	22	1	20	68	52	86	1	0	.529	.398
	Los Angeles (NL)	.396	53	187	36	74	14	0	17	53	35	38	2	0	.743	.489
2009	Los Angeles (NL)	.290	104	352	62	102	24	2	19	63	71	81	0	1	.531	.418
2010	Los Angeles (NL)	.311	66	196	32	61	15	0	8	40	32	38	1	1	.510	.405
	Chicago (AL)	.261	24	69	6	18	1	0	1	2	14	23	0	0	.319	.420
2011	Tampa Bay	.059	5	17	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	4	0	0	.059	.059
<b>CAREER</b>		<b>.312</b>	<b>2302</b>	<b>8244</b>	<b>1544</b>	<b>2574</b>	<b>547</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>555</b>	<b>1831</b>	<b>1329</b>	<b>1813</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>.585</b>	<b>.411</b>

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