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MIKE HENDERSON OUT OF ACTION AFTER HAND INJURY

IOWA CITY, IA - - Senior guard Mike Henderson is expected to be out of action for three to six weeks after suffering a hand injury in practice. Henderson suffered a fracture to the pinkie finger on his right hand Tuesday and underwent successful surgery Thursday.

“Injuries are never fun and it’s unfortunate for Mike that he will miss some time as we start the season,” said Iowa Coach Steve Alford. “The good news is that pins were inserted for support and the surgery went well.”

Henderson (6-3, 200), a Waterloo, IA native, started all 34 games a year ago. He averaged 7.6 points and 3.9 rebounds per outing while shooting 46.4% from three-point range. He earned the team “Most Improved Award” at the conclusion of the season.

As a junior Henderson scored in double figures in 11 games. He matched a career-high with 17 points in a win at Purdue and scored 16 points vs. Michigan State in the Big Ten Tournament and in a home win over Penn State. Henderson added 15 points and seven rebounds in an early season win over ninth-ranked Kentucky as Iowa was 11-0 when he scored in double figures.

The Hawkeyes host Buena Vista University Friday, Nov. 10 in their only exhibition game. Iowa begins the regular season Monday, Nov. 13 by hosting The Citadel. Both games have a 7:05 p.m. start time.

