

Alex Rodriguez Breaks Hand In Yankees Loss

Alex Rodriguez, popularly known as [@A-Rod](#), may not be able to play any more this season after fracturing his left hand.

Rodriguez was hit by an 88 mph change-up from Felix Hernandez in the eighth inning and went down immediately in considerable pain. According to a statement by his team Yankees, Alex Rodriguez has a non-displaced fracture of the left hand. The team also remarked that there is no time defined for his return and A-Rod would be placed on the disabled list.

"You hate to see a guy go down on something freak like that," Yankees' first baseman Mark Teixeira said. "I had a weird feeling it wasn't good."

The injured baseball player joins the Yankees' list of injured players along with Andy Pettitte, Mariano Rivera, Michael Pineda, and Brett Gardner.

An American professional baseball third baseman with the New York Yankees of Major League Baseball, Alexander Emmanuel "Alex" Rodriguez was born on July 27, 1975 and **previously played shortstop for the Seattle Mariners and the Texas Rangers.**

He is considered by many as one of the best players of baseball and is credited with the distinction of being the youngest player ever to hit 500 home runs, the youngest to hit 600, and having fourteen 100-RBI seasons in his career. In 2010, A-Rod became the all-time leader in home runs by a player of Hispanic descent when he hit two home runs to surpass the mark of **Sammy Sosa** (609 HRs).

He was first implicated for steroid use in Jose Canseco's book, *Vindicated: Big Names, Big Liars, and the Battle to Save Baseball*. Canseco claimed to have introduced A-Rod to a trainer who was a steroid expert and supplier.

On February 7, 2009 it was [reported by Sports Illustrated that the baseball player tested positive in 2003 for anabolic steroids](#), testosterone, and [Primobolan](#). His name even appeared on a government-sealed list of 104 major-league players who tested positive for performance enhancing drugs. On February 9, 2009, Alex Rodriguez admitted to making use of anabolic steroids while saying that he used them from 2001 to 2003 while playing for the Texas Rangers because of what he called "an enormous amount of pressure" to perform.

In 1993, he was drafted first overall by the Seattle Mariners and signed by Roger Jongewaard right out of high school. A-Rod was selected by both Sporting News and Associated Press as the Major League Player of the Year in 1996 and was just close to becoming the youngest MVP (Most Valuable Player) in the history of baseball but fell short to Juan González in one of the most controversial MVP elections. In the year 2000, the baseball player was selected as the Major League Player of the Year by Baseball America and finished 3rd in the BBWAA AL MVP voting.

In 2001-02, his 109 home runs were the most ever by an American League right-handed batter in consecutive season. During his last season with Texas (in 2003), he led the American League in home runs, runs scored, and slugging percentage to win his second consecutive Gold Glove Award. His career was on an all-time high when led the American League with 52 HR, 133 runs scored, and 393 total base in the 2001-02 season. In 2002, Rodriguez had a major league-best 57 HR, 142 RBIs and 389 total bases to become the first player ever to lead the majors in all three categories since 1984.