

VAREJAO WILL MISS OLYMPICS BECAUSE OF BACK INJURY

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UPDATED (Wednesday at 2pm) -- The Warriors released the following statement on Anderson Varejao:

"Warriors center Anderson Varejao was examined earlier this week by Dr. Robert Watkins at the Marina Spine Center in Marina Del Rey, CA, and was diagnosed with a small lower back disc herniation. He is expected to be ready for the start of training camp, but will be forced to miss the 2016 Summer Olympics due to the injury.



"Varejao recently experienced back pain while participating with the Brazilian National Team and returned to California to be examined by Dr. Watkins, a renowned spine specialist."

Anderson Varejao's summer plans are reportedly about to change.

The Warriors' big man is unlikely to play in the upcoming Olympics because of a back injury, [according to multiple reports](#).

The Olympics are in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil and Varejao is from Santa Teresa -- a neighborhood in Rio.

On July 17, the 33-year old big man officially [re-signed with Golden State on a one-year deal](#).

The Warriors signed Varejao on Feb. 22, days after he was waived by Portland after being traded there from Cleveland.

He appeared in 22 regular season games and 17 playoff games.