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# Detroit Tigers SS Carlos Guillen likely done for 2008

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Jason Beck, of MLB.com, reports [Detroit Tigers](#) third baseman [Carlos Guillen](#) (back) is likely done for the remainder of the season. Guillen visited with Dr. Robert Watkins Wednesday, Sept. 17, and it was determined that the inflammation in Guillen's back was coming from a nerve root in his lower back. He will not need to undergo surgery, but he received a second epidural to ease back stiffness enough to let him begin the rehab process. He will continue to rehab during the offseason to ensure that he is healthy for spring training next year.

Guillen has not played since Aug. 25, missing the team's last 22 games. His disappointing season comes to an end; he batted .286 with just 10 home runs and 54 RBIs in 420 at-bats.

Fantasy owners of Guillen can safely drop him in all single-year formats. However, the team is optimistic that Guillen will bounce back from his back issues with effective rehab during the offseason. Guillen is a solid bounce-back candidate for fantasy purposes next year, assuming he shows no lingering effects.

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