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Fiedler placed on injured reserve, out for season

MIAMI (AP) — Miami Dolphins quarterback [Jay Fiedler](#) was put on injured reserve Tuesday with a herniated disc in his neck and will miss the rest of the season.



Dolphins QB Jay Fiedler (9) is out for the season with a neck injury, leaving Sage Rosenfels as the team's only healthy quarterback.

By David Duprey, AP

Fiedler was hurt in Sunday's 24-17 loss to Seattle after playing one series in place of [A.J. Feeley](#), who left with an injured hip. Feeley later returned.

Fiedler saw Dr. Robert Watkins, a spine specialist, in Los Angeles on Tuesday, and Watkins advised that Fiedler should allow the injury time to heal, Dolphins general manager Rick Spielman said in a statement released by the team.

"Jay has performed well for us this year and has proven to be an excellent leader, but we feel that his health is the most important thing," Spielman said.

The Dolphins stayed on the West Coast after the Seattle game to prepare for Sunday's game against the San Francisco 49ers.

Fiedler played in eight games, including seven starts, this season. He completed 101 of 190 passes for 1,186 yards with seven touchdowns and eight interceptions. He also rushed for 59 yards on 12 carries.

"Obviously, I'm disappointed in the fact that I won't be able to finish the year with the team," Fiedler said in the team's statement. "For my career, the best thing was to sit out the rest of the year and be ready and healthy to go next year."

The move leaves the Dolphins with Feeley, who is dealing with the hip injury that left him limping

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and grimacing in pain throughout the Seattle loss, and [Sage Rosenfels](#) at quarterback. It wasn't clear when the Dolphins would sign another quarterback to give them three on the active roster.


"I know A.J. has been fighting hard and I'm confident that he's going to continue to grow as a quarterback in this system," Fiedler said.

It's yet another in a litany on injuries for the Dolphins, who have lost receiver [David Boston](#), linebacker [Junior Seau](#), defensive tackles [Tim Bowens](#) and [Larry Chester](#) for the season with injuries.

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