

Football – Injury to Mouyokolo is bad news for Celtic

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Celtic affected by Mouyokolo's injury

It looks likely that Celtic's summer new signing Steven Mouyokolo will miss around six months of the season since he completely ruptured his Achilles tendon.

Celtic manager Neil Lennon confirmed that the injury is worse than first thought and the 26 year-old player has now gone back to France where he has already had some surgery on the injury that he sustained while training.

It seemed innocuous to start off with as Mouyokolo was simply running for the ball during training when something popped. although they originally thought he'd run into someone else, but it was clear quickly that there was something far more seriously wrong.

Mouyokolo has had bad luck with injury and has already started again twice since he signed for Celtic back in July. He had already made a comeback to play since sustaining a cruciate ligament injury. His Achilles injury is completely separate from the other injuries but is having the same effect in keeping him out of the champion's squad.

It's likely to affect Celtic's team play as they now have to come up with play that works without the addition of Mouyokolo as he is likely to be off the team for at least six months. You can keep an eye on how Celtic's odds have changed at freebets.org and it will be wise to keep an eye on updates as and when they are released. At the moment all that's known is he has had surgery on his tendon and will now have to completely rest.

Injuries to Achilles tendons are notoriously difficult to come back from, and it could affect his entire career. Lennon has expressed the sentiment that they hope to see him playing on the team sometime in the New Year, hopefully in time to get some time in before the end of the season.

It's likely that Mouyokolo is absolutely devastated by this recent set back as he had just signed the one year contract with Celtic after mutually finishing his contract with Wolves back in January. This was his new start and now he has the frustration of trying to recuperate while missing most of the season – never good news for an excellent and hard working player.

Lennon added: -“It can happen to anyone at any time. He has just had horrendous luck and we will support him all the way and hopefully get him back up and running in February or March.”

But what does this mean for the team? Lennon maintains that he is absolutely happy with his squad, despite the loss of

Mouyokolo and the fact that three of their top players (Gary Hooper, Kevin Wilson and Victor Wanyama) were sold over the summer. Lennon definitely thinks that Celtic is on track for their European campaign.