

Heckingbottom required to shuffle defence again



Hibs' Head Coach Paul Heckingbottom will have to shuffle his defence yet again for the visit of Celtic in Saturday's lunchtime kick-off at Easter Road.

Ryan Porteous will miss the game after he was shown a straight red card in the closing stages of extra-time in Hibs victory over Kilmarnock at Rugby Park.

As a result he will serve a suspension against Neil Lennon's side who have a 100% record this season in the league.

Darren McGregor and Vykintas Slivka are still sidelined, although Tom James is back fit and played the full match against Killie.

Jason Naismith, who signed with Hibs earlier this month, is an injury doubt and will be assessed ahead of the game.

Depending on results elsewhere Hibs could end the day bottom of the table with Aberdeen at Pittodrie the next game.