

## **RB Steven Jackson**

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(On how his groin feels)

"The groin is fine. My groin doesn't bother me more than my feelings or my heart so, Sunday it won't be a problem. I practiced today, I practiced yesterday, so just being able to practice is quite different from last year where I was unable to do anything."

(On what he was able to do in practice today)

"I participated in the drills, individual, team, everything the team did today, I was apart of."

(On how he feels)

"I am just saying, I used that kind of analogy towards my groin so that fans don't think I am going to be less than a hundred percent. I am going to go out there and play hard, there is not going to be an excuse whether we win or we lose or however I perform as my individual stats relate. It will not be because of my groin."

(On when the injury to his groin occurred)

"It was Sunday, it bothered me Sunday but at this point, in the NFL, everyone is playing with bumps and bruises."

(On how will the change at quarterback will affect the offense)

"Playing with (QB) Marc (Bulger) for years now, it is going to be a little difficult; it is going to be different. The snap count, the play calling, it is going to be different, it is a different person but us as a unit, we have to go out there and protect him. The receivers have to make plays down the field and as a running back; I have to make sure that I am doing my part to take the load off of him. So, if that is running the ball 30 to 40 times, if I have to, I have to."

(On if he was surprised by the change at quarterback)

"I was surprised like you were, I am pretty sure you were. It is something that we can't dwell on around here. Unfortunately, I am use to being in the line up with a number of different guys, if it is in the offensive line or Marc missing some time or Torry (Holt) or some other guys. We haven't had the best luck around here with guys staying together as a unit."

(On if everyone on the offense has to take accountability for the quarterback change on the offensive side on the ball)

"I think everyone, I think everyone in this organization. On Sunday, I understand the fans have to go on what we do offensively, as an offensive unit, but a lot goes into someone getting benched and it does not just fall on one person."

(On what he sees from the Buffalo Bills front seven so far)

"To me, it is going to be a tough physical game. That is the conference that they are in, they have to be stout. Acquiring (DT) Marcus Stroud, he is a big pick up for those guys. They are going to cause a lot of confusion; they are going to standup and move around, try to throw off the count of the offensive line and our blocking scheme. We have to be glued in and focused on what we have seen on film to kind of try to give us an advantage because they are going to try to make it a disadvantage."

(On if he is able to pick up reads and the run schemes)

"I played all three games so I think I am fine."

(On what he sees from Bills (S) Donte Winter on film)

"He is a guy that is a good tackler, he is really aggressive to the ball, and he causes confusion when he is in the tackle box. Me, as a runner, I have to always know where he is at on the field to kind of get a feel of where is the free hitter. He is a free hitter, so I have to make sure that I am seeing, before the play happens, where he is at."

(On WR Donnie Avery's first start)

"(WR) Donnie (Avery) is a key rookie guy that is going to help our young guys come along. He is going to also help (WR) Torry (Holt) out on the other side, maybe take a little bit of that attention away from him at the beginning, and take a little bit away from him. But it will be very interesting to see how it goes. He is comfortable with the offense and I think he looks good."

(On if there is any change with QB Trent Green as the starter at quarterback)

"One thing about practice, everything looks good in practice and Sunday we can really tell. If it was a difference or something we needed but right now I think the offense looks like it does if (QB) (Marc) Bulger was in."