

Availability Report: Lathan Ransom Remains Out At Michigan, But Ohio State Otherwise At Full Strength Heading Into Ann Arbor



As expected, Ohio State will be without safety Lathan Ransom when it kicks off against Michigan at noon, but the Buckeyes will otherwise be at full strength against the Wolverines.

No players are considered questionable for Ohio State, while Ransom is unavailable along with defensive lineman Jason Moore and Will Smith Jr., and wide receivers Kojo Antwi and Kyion Grayes. The Buckeyes had previously announced that linebacker Kourt Williams II, running back Miyan Williams, tight end Zak Herbstreit, wide receiver Reis Stocksdales are out for the season.

With Ransom's continued absence, Ohio State will continue to utilize sophomore Sonny Styles at bandit/strong safety, with Josh Proctor (adjuster/free safety) and Jordan Hancock (nickel) also starting in the secondary. The Buckeyes will receive a depth boost against the Wolverines, as backup nickel safety Cameron Martinez - who has been listed as unavailable for several weeks - is not on this week's report.

This also means the return of linebacker Tommy Eichenberg and defensive tackle Mike Hall Jr., both of whom were out last week for Ohio State's win over Minnesota. Eichenberg, Ohio State's leading tackler this season despite missing the last two games, had been out since suffering an arm injury against Rutgers, while Hall missed most of the last two games with an undisclosed injury.

Ohio State is also expected to return backup quarterback Devin Brown, who has not played since Oct. 21 with an ankle injury, leaving freshman Lincoln Kienholz to fill in over the last couple of games. Here is the full availability report:

Questionable

- None

Out

- WR Kojo Antwi
- WR Kyion Grayes
- DL Jason Moore
- SAF Lathan Ransom
- DL Will Smith Jr.
- TE Zak Herbstreit (season)
- WR Reis Stockdale (season)
- LB Kourt Williams II (season)
- RB Miyan Williams (season)