King receives weekly honor from conference

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Iowa cornerback Desmond King was named the Big Ten's Freshman Player of the Week, the conference announced Monday. King is the first Iowa player to receive the honor since it was first implemented by the Big Ten in 2010.

In the Hawkeyes' 34-24 loss to No. 4 Ohio State last weekend, King tied for a team-high 12 tackles alongside senior linebacker James Morris, with 10 of King's 12 tackles coming unassisted.

King has started the last six games at cornerback since entering Iowa's season opener against Northern Illinois for sophomore Jordan Lomax, who injured his hamstring in that game and has since only played sparingly on special teams in the last two games.