

SARACENS KENT

U14 DPP Club Nominations 2018-19



Process Overview

This form is for use by Kent Club Coaches/Teachers, it enables you to nominate boys in the U14 age group into the Saracens Kent U14s Developing Player Programme (DPP) for season 2018-19.

You are being asked to advise which players you believe should get first chance to be involved in the programme. You can nominate UPTO 4 players for inclusion. If you strongly and genuinely believe this 4 player restriction is too aggressive for your club/school then please discuss that with the Saracens Kent DPP (Developing Player Programme) Administrator, Kirstin Hoyle, in the first instance, contact e-mail saracens-kent-dpp-admin@kent-rugby.org;

Please remember the aim of the DPP is to identify the top 10% of the counties registered playing population for this age group. Therefore, the key message is PLEASE do not feel the need to use your full quota for the sake of it, instead only nominate those players you truly feel meet the nomination criteria (guidelines for selection criteria below)

Process Admin and Timetable

For each player you wish to nominate, please provide:

Name of Player

Date of Birth

Preferred playing position

Address

Parent / Guardian Email Contact Details (at least one email address, ideally two and please ensure the details are correct as this is our means of communication with players/parents. Preferably no school e-mail address for the players themselves, as these tend to be 'bounced back' to us by the school's own e-mail filters)

Parent / Guardian Telephone Number.

Please have this information to hand for all boys you wish to nominate before continuing to our online form.

The Process will run as follows:

1. Nominations from Club Coaches/Teachers to be completed and submitted by end of day on Friday 1st March 2019.
2. E-mail sent to parents sent in first full week of March 2019; inviting son to an assessment session to be held on Wednesday 13 March 2019, in the evening, after school hours.
3. Players to be notified as to whether they are selected for U14s DPP for remainder of the season or whether they have **NOT** been successful, by Friday 15 March 2019.

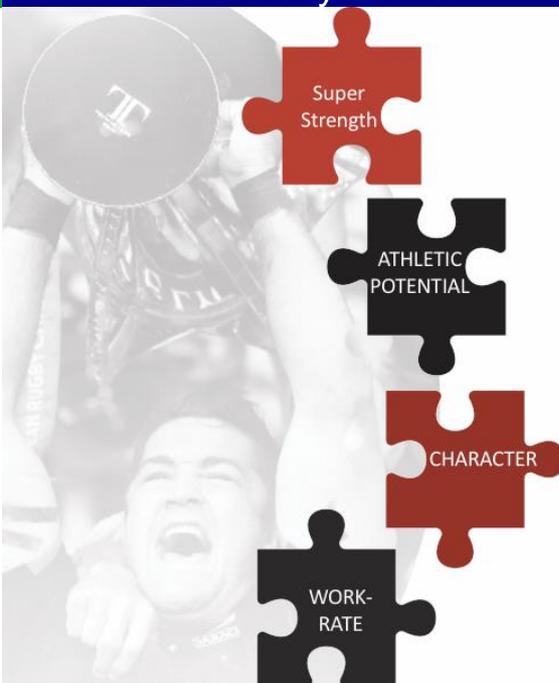
In exceptional circumstances a player may be released from the programme at any point if we believe the demands of the programme are too much for that player. The aim of this assessment session is to identify players who have improved and progressed with the aim of including them in the U15s DPP season for 2019/20. There will also be the opportunity for coaches to nominate additional boys for inclusion in the U15 programme at the appropriate time.

DPP Selection Criteria

In asking you to nominate players for the U14 DPP we are asking you to consider the 4 elements shown in the Saracens Pathway Criteria below. We have also included further Nominations Guidance below showing specific skill sets relevant for U14s to help guide your decisions.

Please also remember this is the DEVELOPING player programme and NOT the DEVELOPED player programme. Therefore, any decision is not necessarily as straightforward as who are your best players now.

Saracens Pathway Criteria



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| SUPER-STRENGTH | ATHLETIC POTENTIAL |
| The ability of an individual player to influence a training session or match by doing something special, positively and consistently. | A player that moves efficiently and demonstrates balance, co-ordination, speed and/or power – and what can they potentially achieve in the future with correct guidance? |
| CHARACTER | WORK-RATE |
| An energy giver who accepts pressure and rises to the challenge from setbacks and demonstrates the Saracens Values; Honesty, Discipline, Work-Rate and Humility | Fundamental value to develop and succeed. Ability to work hard all the time and hungry to improve in all areas on and off the pitch. |

Further Nominations Guidance

DPP Player Skill Set

Specific to U14's

GOOD GAMES PLAYER:

Feel and Time on Ball understanding Specific XFactor
in games

FOUNDATION SKILL SET:

Ability to Pass, Kick, Run and Tackle

COMMUNICATION:

Small talk, Energy, General volume in games and social
skills off the pitch

STRENGTH & CONDITIONING:

Moving efficiently, Work-Rate and Speed

READY TO NOMINATE? ACCESS OUR ONLINE FORM HERE!