



SARACENS KENT U15 DPP Rugby Nominations



Process Overview

This form is for use by Kent Club Coaches/Teachers, it enables you to nominate boys in the U15 age group into the Saracens Kent U15s Developing Player Programme (DPP) for season.

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 **Sunday 22 September 2019**.

2. On submitting your nominations, it automatically triggers an email to inform the player that they have been nominated and any details about the assessments. The parent of the player is also notified. Please ensure that all contact email addresses are correct, otherwise, the player will not receive an invite or parents will not be informed. Please **DO NOT** use School email addresses, as these do not always get through the school firewall. The assessment session will be held on **Sunday 06 October 2019**, during the afternoon. Please ensure your nominated players are available to attend for assessment on this date. In addition, and most important please inform your nominated players **NOT TO** take part in any other rugby, be it training or games/contact/vigorous sports on the assessment day. To do so tends to lead to fatigue and this is when injuries and in particular serious injuries are more likely to occur.

3. Players to be notified as to whether they are selected for U15s DPP for remainder of the season or whether they have **NOT** been successful, within 3 weeks of the assessment date.

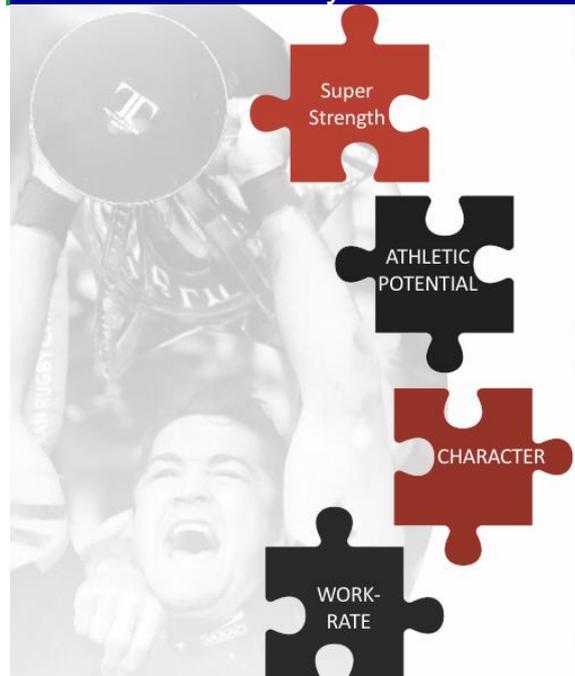
In exceptional circumstances a player may be released from the programme at any point if we believe the demands of the programme are too much for that player. The aim of this assessment session is to identify players who have improved and progressed with the aim of including them in the U15s DPP season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

DPP Selection Criteria

In asking you to nominate players for the U15 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 U15s 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



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 U15's

GOOD GAMES PLAYER:

Feel and Time on Ball understanding Specific XFactor
in games

FOUNDATION SKILL SET:

Ability to Pass, Kick, Run, Tackle and Breakdown Skills

COMMUNICATION:

Small talk, Energy, General volume in games, Leadership Qualities and
Social Skills off the Pitch

STRENGTH & CONDITIONING:

Moving efficiently, Work-Rate and Speed

READY TO NOMINATE? [ACCESS OUR ONLINE FORM HERE!](#)