

HOW THEY STAND

GUINNESS PRO14		Record				Points			Attack				Defence									
Pos	CONFERENCE A	P	W	D	L	TB	LB	Tot	T	C	PG	DG	For	T	C	PG	DG	Agst	TB	LB	PD	
1	Ospreys (4)	▲	2	2	0	0	1	0	9	9	6	2	0	63	3	3	2	0	27	0	1	36
2	Glasgow Warriors (3)	▲	2	2	0	0	1	0	9	7	4	2	1	52	3	3	5	0	36	0	1	16
3	Connacht (6)	▲	2	1	0	1	1	1	6	7	4	5	0	58	5	3	2	1	40	1	0	18
4	Munster (1)	▼	2	1	0	1	1	0	5	7	5	1	0	48	3	2	2	0	25	0	0	23
5	Zebre (2)	▼	2	1	0	1	1	0	5	5	4	4	0	45	6	3	4	0	48	1	0	-3
6	Cardiff Blues (5)	▼	2	0	0	2	1	2	3	5	3	8	0	57	7	5	5	0	60	1	0	-3
7	Toyota Cheetahs (7)	▶	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	14	13	8	1	0	84	2	0	-70

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Pos	CONFERENCE B	P	W	D	L	TB	LB	Tot	T	C	PG	DG	For	T	C	PG	DG	Agst	TB	LB	PD	
1	Benetton Rugby (2)	▲	2	2	0	0	0	0	8	6	3	4	0	48	3	2	7	0	42	0	2	6
2	Ulster (3)	▲	2	2	0	0	0	0	8	3	3	8	0	45	3	3	7	0	42	0	2	3
3	Leinster (1)	▼	2	1	0	1	1	1	6	7	5	3	0	54	6	5	5	0	55	1	1	-1
4	Dragons (5)	▲	2	1	0	1	0	1	5	5	5	3	0	44	7	1	2	0	43	1	1	1
5	Scarlets (4)	▼	2	1	0	1	0	1	5	3	3	5	0	36	3	3	5	0	36	0	1	0
6	Edinburgh Rugby (6)	▶	2	0	0	2	0	2	2	3	3	7	0	42	5	5	4	0	47	0	0	-5
7	Isuzu Southern Kings (7)	▶	2	0	0	2	1	1	2	5	2	3	0	38	7	6	4	0	59	1	0	-21
TOTALS			14	14	0	14	8	9	73	74	52	55	1	644	74	52	55	1	644	8	9	

Key:

Home Semi-final	Play-off place
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2018/19 ABBREVIATED RULES

The Championship will be played in two stages, the League Stage and the Knock-Out Stage, as set out below.

The Conference Stage:

For the Conference Stage, Celtic Rugby will have divided the Clubs into two conferences of seven Clubs each, Conference A and Conference B, at Celtic Rugby's discretion. Each conference will be made up of two Clubs from each of Ireland and Wales, and a single Club from each of Scotland, Italy and South Africa.

Each Club will play:

- against each of the other six Clubs in the same conference twice (once at home, once away, i.e. 12 Matches in total);
- against each of the seven Clubs in the other conference once (i.e. seven Matches in total, Celtic Rugby will in its discretion determine whether these Matches will be home or away); and
- two further Matches against Clubs from the same Union to ensure that (i) the Irish and Welsh Clubs will play home and away matches against all clubs from their Union and (ii) the Italian, Scottish and South African clubs play a further two matches between the clubs from the same Union, either two home matches and one away match or two away matches and one home match.

In all matches in the Conference Stage, four league points shall be awarded for a win and two league points shall be awarded for a draw. One bonus league point shall be awarded to a Team scoring four or more tries and one bonus league point shall be awarded to a Team losing by seven points or less.

The positions of the Clubs in the Conference Stage will be based on the following, in order:

- the number of League Points awarded to each Club;
- if unresolved, the number of Matches won by each Club in the League Stage;
- if unresolved, the difference between the total points scored and the total points conceded on the field of play for each Club in all Matches in the League Stage;
- if unresolved, the number of tries scored by each Club in all Matches in the League Stage;
- if unresolved, the number of points scored on the field of play by each Club in all Matches in the League Stage;
- if unresolved, the difference between the number of tries scored and the number of tries conceded by each Club in all Matches in the League Stage;

- (g) if unresolved, the number of Players suspended by a Disciplinary Committee or Appeal Committee for incidents taking place in the League Stage;
- (h) if unresolved, the number of yellow cards received by Players for each Club in all Matches in the League Stage;
- (i) if unresolved, the toss of a coin or as otherwise determined by Celtic Rugby in its absolute discretion.

For the purposes of this clause 3.1.4, what qualifies as a yellow card will be determined by Celtic Rugby in its absolute discretion.

The Knock-Out Stage

- The Clubs that rank in the top three positions in each of Conference A and Conference B respectively will qualify for the Knock-Out Stage.
- The Knock-Out Stage will be divided into two Quarter-Final Matches, two semi-final Matches and a Final Match.
- The Quarter-Final Matches will be knock-out, each played over one Match:
- the Club ranked second in Conference A will play at home against the Club ranked third in Conference B (QF1); and
- the Club ranked second in Conference B will play at home against the Club ranked third in Conference A (QF2).
- The winners of the Quarter-Final Matches will proceed to the Semi-Final Matches. The Semi-Final Matches will be knock-out, each played over one Match:
- the Club ranked first in Conference A will play at home against the winner of QF2; and
- the Club ranked first in Conference B will play at home against the winner of QF1.
- The winners of the semi-final Matches will proceed to the Final Match. The Final Match will be knock-out, played over one Match, at a venue designated by Celtic Rugby.
- Based on their final ranking at the end of the Championship some Clubs may be eligible to participate in European Professional Club Rugby tournaments (South African teams are ineligible for EPCR tournaments).
- Seven European Clubs will be eligible to participate in the Heineken Cup organised by EPCR.
- All other European Clubs will participate in the Challenge Cup organised by EPCR.
- The top three European clubs in each Conference will be eligible to participate in the Heineken Cup. The final 7th Heineken Cup place will be decided by way of a play-off match between the highest placed non qualifying European club in Conference A and the highest placed non qualifying European club in Conference B.
- EPCR has a further Heineken Cup place available through the Challenge Cup. In the event that this place is allocated to Celtic Rugby; Celtic Rugby will confirm the arrangements for allocating the addition eighth Heineken Cup place.

ROUND 2 MICROCOSM

FRIDAY 7 SEPTEMBER			
GLASGOW WARRIORS	(22)25	MUNSTER	(0)10
Pete Horne(P)		Joey Carbery(C)	
Callum Gibbins(23)		JJ Hanrahan(P)	
Stuart Hogg(29/2C/P)		Rhys Marshall(70)	
Adam Ashe(36)		Att: 7,351	
ULSTER	(6)30	EDINBURGH RUGBY	(16)29 (b)
Will Addison(54)		Simon Hickey(2C/5P)	
John Cooney(61/3C/3P)		Tom Brown(15)	
Craig Gilroy(68)		James Johnstone(47)	
Att: 11,994			
SATURDAY 8 SEPTEMBER			
(B) CONNACHT	(17)32	ZEBRE	(3)13
Jack Carty(2C/P)		Carlo Canna(2P)	
Paul Boyle(9/ 21)		Francois Brummer(C)	
Caolin Blade(48)		Giulio Bisegni(79)	
Eoin Griffin(59)		Att: 4,056	
Niyi Adeolokun(69)			
(B) OSPREYS	(22)46	TOYOTA CHEETAHS	(7)14
Sam Davies(4C/P)		Tian Schoeman(2C)	
Alun Wyn Jones(8/ 78)		Jasper Wiese(18)	
Scott Otten(28)		Rabs Maxwane(70)	
George North(37)		Att: 6,155	
Alex Jeffries(59)			
Justin Tipuric(63/ 73)			
SCARLETS	(10)23	LEINSTER	(14)21 (b)
Leigh Halfpenny(2C/3P)		Ross Byrne(3C)	
Ken Owens(12)		Fergus McFadden(25)	
Gareth Davies(69)		James Lowe(40)	
Att: 7,258		Rhys Ruddock(75)	
DRAGONS	(17)27	ISUZU SOUTHERN KINGS	(10)22 (B/b)
Ollie Griffiths(4)		Masixole Banda(C)	
Aaron Wainwright(14)		Mike Willemse(28)	
Josh Lewis(67/3C/2P)		Bjorn Basson(31)	
Att: 4,012		Godlen Masimla(56)	
		Yaw Penxe(80)	
BENETTON RUGBY	(10)27	CARDIFF BLUES	(16)25 (b)
Tommaso Allan(29/3C/2P)		Gareth Anscombe(3P)	
Braam Steyn(51)		Jarrold Evans(3P)	
Monty Ioane(80)		Penalty Try(34)	
Att: 2,400			
Key: winning team shown in green, losing team in red, a draw marked in amber			
Note: (B) denotes a try bonus point and (b) a losing bonus point			

PRO14 DEBUTS (10):

Dewaldt Duvenage (Benetton), Colby Fainga'a (Connacht), Ross Moriarty (Dragons), Stephan de Wit, Bjorn Basson (Isuzu Southern Kings), Tom Williams (Ospreys), Marnus van der Merwe (Toyota Cheetahs), Nicolas de Battista, Francois Brummer, Matu tevi (Zebre)

150 GAMES

Lewis Evans

FAIRPLAY LEAGUE

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Pos	Team	YC	CCW	RC	PC	Pts
1	Connacht	0	0	0	0	0
1	Edinburgh	0	0	0	0	0
1	Ospreys	0	0	0	0	0
1	Toyota Cheetahs	0	0	0	0	0
1	Ulster	0	0	0	0	0
6	Benetton	1	0	0	0	1
6	Dragons	1	0	0	0	1
6	Leinster	1	0	0	0	1
6	Munster	0	1	0	0	1
10	Cardiff Blues	2	0	0	0	2
10	Glasgow Warriors	1	1	0	0	2
10	Isuzu Southern Kings	2	0	0	0	2
10	Zebre	2	0	0	0	2
14	Scarlets	3	0	0	0	3
	TOTALS	13	2	0	0	15

RED CARDS (0)

CITING COMMISSIONERS WARNINGS (2)

Callum Gibbins (Glasgow Warriors v Munster, 7 Sep)

James Cronin (Munster at Glasgow Warriors, 7 Sep)

YELLOW CARDS (13)

Benetton (1)	Robert Barbieri
Blues (2)	Rhys Gill, Olly Robinson
Connacht (0)	-
Cheetahs (0)	-
Dragons (1)	Rhodri Williams
Edinburgh (0)	-
Kings (2)	Bobby de Wee, Andy Ntsila
Leinster (1)	Josh Murphy
Munster (0)	-
Ospreys (0)	-
Scarlets (3)	David Bulbring, Ed Kennedy, Samson Lee
Ulster (0)	-
Warriors (1)	Adam Hastings
Zebre (2)	Oliviero Fabiani, Giosue Zilocchi

TOP GUINNESS PRO14 ACCUMULATORS

Rank	Name	Team	Apps	Mins	Try	Conv	PG	DG	Points
1	John Cooney	Ulster	2	160	1	3	8	0	35
2	Simon Hickey	Edinburgh Rugby	2	152	0	2	7	0	25
3	Tommaso Allan	Benetton Rugby	2	160	1	3	4	0	23
4	Jack Carty	Connacht	2	147	0	4	5	0	23
5	Jarrold Evans	Cardiff Blues	2	133	0	3	5	0	21
6	Josh Lewis	Dragons	1+1	94	1	4	2	0	19
7	Carlo Canna	Zebre	2	139	0	3	4	0	18
8	Stuart Hogg	Glasgow Warriors	2	154	1	3	1	1	17
9	JJ Hanrahan	Munster	2	124	1	4	1	0	16
10	Ross Byrne	Leinster	2	160	0	5	2	0	16
11	George North	Ospreys	2	142	3	0	0	0	15
12	Sam Davies	Ospreys	1+1	121	0	6	1	0	15
13	Masixole Banda	Isuzu Southern Kings	2	160	0	2	3	0	13
14	Leigh Halfpenny	Scarlets	1	80	0	2	3	0	13

Best in a PRO Rugby Season: 287pts by Felipe Contepomi (Leinster) in 2005/06

TOP GUINNESS PRO14 TRY SCORERS

Rank	Name	Team	Apps	Mins	Tries	Home	Away	1st H	2nd H
1	George North	Ospreys	2	142	3	3	0	1	2
2	Alun Wyn Jones	Ospreys	2	160	2	2	0	1	1
3	Adam Ashe	Glasgow Warriors	1+1	72	2	1	1	1	1
4	Bryan Byrne	Leinster	0+1	28	2	0	2	0	2
5	Paul Boyle	Connacht	2	157	2	2	0	2	0
6	Jason Harries	Cardiff Blues	2	160	2	2	0	1	1
7	Rey Lee-Lo	Cardiff Blues	2	160	2	2	0	1	1
8	Braam Steyn	Benetton Rugby	2	160	2	1	1	0	2
9	Justin Tipuric	Ospreys	2	160	2	2	0	0	2
10	Alessandro Zanni	Benetton Rugby	1	58	2	0	2	1	1

Best in a PRO Rugby Season: 14 by Tim Visser (Edinburgh) 2010/11

BEST GUINNESS PRO14 KICKERS

Rank	Name	Team	Good	Att	Kick%	Last 10 kicks	Conv	PG	Streak
1	Simon Hickey	Edinburgh Rugby	9	9	100.00%	33/3323233	2/2	7/7	Last 9
2	Leigh Halfpenny	Scarlets	5	5	100.00%	23332	2/2	3/3	Last 5
3	Carlo Canna	Zebre	7	8	87.50%	23223c/33	3/4	4/4	Last 2
4	John Cooney	Ulster	11	13	84.62%	p3p3/332223	3/3	8/10	Last 7
5	Josh Lewis	Dragons	6	8	75.00%	2/2p23p32	4/4	2/4	Last 2
6	Jarrold Evans	Cardiff Blues	8	11	72.73%	c2223/p333p	3/4	5/7	Missed last 1
7	JJ Hanrahan	Munster	5	7	71.43%	c2c222/3	4/6	1/1	Last 4
8	Jack Carty	Connacht	9	14	64.29%	33p/322pccc	4/7	5/7	Missed last 4
9	Ross Byrne	Leinster	7	11	63.64%	c3c22/p22p2	5/7	2/4	Last 1
10	Sam Davies	Ospreys	7	11	63.64%	22/22c322cc	6/9	1/2	Missed last 2
11	Masixole Banda	Isuzu Southern Kings	5	8	62.50%	2333/cc2c	2/5	3/3	Missed last 1
12	Tommaso Allan	Benetton Rugby	7	12	58.33%	3cc/3p223p2	3/6	4/6	Last 1
13	Pete Horne	Glasgow Warriors	2	6	33.33%	c2c/p3c	1/4	1/2	Missed last 1

Qual: 5 place kicks at goal

Under Streak, "Last 4" means has kicked last four place kicks in a row successfully. Under "Last 10 kicks" 3 denotes a penalty goal, 2 a conversion, p is a missed penalty and c a missed conversion, whilst separate matches are divided with forward slashes.



GUINNESS PRO14 RECORD CENTRE INDIVIDUAL GAME RECORDS

	All-Time	Best in 2018/19
Most points	32 - Stephen Jones (Llanelli RFC @ Swansea, 4 Oct 02)	20 – <i>John Cooney</i> (<i>Ulster v Edinburgh, 7 Sep</i>)
Most tries	4 - Mike Mullins (Munster @ Caerphilly, 11 Sep 01)	2 by eight players
	4 - Lee Abdul (Blues v Ospreys, 25 Oct 03)	
	4 – Jamie Robinson (Blues v Borders, 27 Feb 04)	
	4 – Tommy Seymour (Warriors v Leinster, 10 Sep 16)	
	4 – Alex Wootton (Munster v Cheetahs, 9 Sep 17)	
Most conversions	10 – Duncan Weir (Warriors v Zebre, 29 Apr 16)	4 – JJ Hanrahan (Munster v Cheetahs, 1 Sep)
		4 – <i>Sam Davies</i> (<i>Ospreys v Cheetahs, 8 Sep</i>)
Most penalty goals	9 – Luciano Orquera (Aironi v Benetton, 23 Dec 11)	5 – John Cooney (Ulster v Scarlets, 1 Sep)
		5 – <i>Simon Hickey</i> (<i>Edinburgh @ Ulster, 7 Sep</i>)
Most drop goals	4 – Dan Parks (Glasgow v Ulster, 16 Apr 10)	1 – Stuart Hogg (Glasgow @ Connacht, 1 Sep)
Fastest try	10 secs – Dougie Fife (Edinburgh @ Connacht, 23 Mar 18)	62 secs – Tommy Seymour (Glasgow @ Connacht, 1 Sep)
Quickest bonus point try	17 mins 43 secs – Tommy Bowe (Ulster v Reivers, 12 May 06)	48 mins 1 sec – Rey Lee-Lo (Blues v Leinster, 31 Aug)

TEAM RECORDS

	All-Time	Best in 2018/19
Most points in a home game	75-7 Ospreys v Benetton (Liberty Stadium, 16 Feb 14)	46-14 <i>Ospreys v Cheetahs</i> (<i>Liberty Stadium, 8 Sep</i>)
Most points in an away game	67-15 Ulster @ Caerphilly (Virginia Park, 5 Oct 02)	33-32 Leinster @ Blues (Arms Park, 31 Aug)
Highest aggregate of points in game	98pts - Caerphilly 32, Edinburgh 66 (Virginia Park, 21 Sep 02)	65pts – Blues 32, Leinster 33 (Arms Park, 31 Aug)
Biggest home win	68pts – Ospreys 75, Benetton 7 (Liberty Stadium, 16 Feb 14)	38pts – Munster 38, Cheetahs 0 (Thomond Park, 1 Sep)
Biggest away win	57pts – Dragons 3, Glasgow 60 (Rodney Parade, 15 Feb 13)	4pts – Dragons 17, Benetton 21 (Rodney Parade, 1 Sep)
Best attendance (regular season)	68,262 – “Judgement Day IV” (Principality Stadium, 30 Apr 16)	11,994 – <i>Ulster v Edinburgh</i> (<i>Kingspan Stadium, 7 Sep</i>)

Note: 2018/19 Season bests set or equalled this past round shown in *italics*.

APPROACHING CAREER MILESTONES

POINTS SCORING	
1,500 points:	Ian Keatley (1,418)
1,000 points:	Johnny Sexton (755), Gavin Henson (727)
500 points:	James Hook (446), Steve Shingler (439)
Record:	1,585 points – Dan Biggar (Ospreys)
TRY SCORING	
50 tries:	Tom James (45)
25 tries:	Nikola Matawalu (24), Matt Healy (24), Tiernan O'Halloran (24), Luke McGrath (22), Dave Kearney (22)
Record:	67 tries – Tommy Bowe (Ulster & Ospreys)
MATCHES PLAYED	
200 games:	-
150 games:	Sean Cronin (149), Rob Harley (149), Ken Owens (148)
100 games:	Sam Parry (99), Kristian Dacey (98), John Ryan (97), Robin Copeland (95), Eoin McKeon (95), Jack McGrath (94), Jonathan Davies (94)
Record:	254 games – John Muldoon (Connacht)

CAREER TOP TENS

MOST POINTS		MOST GAMES		MOST MINS PLAYED		MOST TRIES	
Dan Biggar	1585	John Muldoon	254	John Muldoon	18030	Tommy Bowe	67
Dan Parks	1582	Matthew Rees	202	John Barclay	13101	Tim Visser	58
Ian Keatley	1418	Phil John	196	Tommy Bowe	12625	DTH van der Merwe	54
Ronan O'Gara	940	Ian Keatley	192	Dan Evans	12078	Craig Gilroy	51
Felipe Contepomi	877	Ross Ford	191	Alastair Kellock	11767	Andrew Trimble	50
Jason Tovey	875	John Barclay	190	Andrew Trimble	11755	Tom James	45
Duncan Weir	854	Michael Swift	184	Ian Keatley	11735	Shane Horgan	39
Chris Paterson	810	Isaac Boss	175	Dan Parks	11400	Fionn Carr	37
David Humphreys	786	Alastair Kellock	174	Ross Ford	11339	Simon Zebo	37
Rhys Priestland	770	Dougie Hall/ Tommy Bowe	174	Dan Biggar	10921	Nikki Walker	36

Active players in GUINNESS PRO14 marked in grey

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