

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	Glasgow Warriors (1)	▶	4	3	0	1	3	0	15	18	15	3	1	132	12	10	6	0	98	2	1	34
2	Ospreys (4)	▲	4	3	0	1	1	0	13	13	10	6	0	103	11	10	3	0	86	1	1	17
3	Connacht (5)	▲	4	2	0	2	1	2	11	11	8	10	0	101	9	7	5	1	77	1	0	24
4	Munster (2)	▼	4	2	0	2	2	0	10	16	11	2	0	110	8	7	7	0	75	1	0	35
5	Zebre (3)	▼	4	2	0	2	2	0	10	10	7	4	0	76	11	6	7	0	88	1	1	-12
6	Cardiff Blues (6)	▶	4	1	0	3	2	3	9	12	10	12	0	118	13	8	6	0	99	2	0	19
7	Toyota Cheetahs (7)	▶	4	0	1	3	2	0	4	11	8	2	0	77	25	18	4	0	175	4	0	-98

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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	Leinster (2)	▲	4	3	0	1	3	1	16	19	15	4	0	137	8	7	6	0	72	1	1	65
2	Ulster (1)	▼	4	3	1	0	1	0	15	11	8	13	0	112	9	8	9	0	88	1	2	24
3	Scarlets (3)	▶	4	2	0	2	1	1	10	11	9	7	0	94	10	9	10	0	98	1	1	-4
4	Benetton Rugby (4)	▶	4	2	0	2	1	0	9	11	7	6	0	87	12	9	9	0	107	1	2	-20
5	Dragons (6)	▲	4	2	0	2	0	1	9	8	6	6	0	70	15	8	3	0	100	2	1	-30
6	Isuzu Southern Kings (7)	▲	4	1	0	3	2	1	7	11	8	4	0	83	14	12	7	0	115	2	0	-32
7	Edinburgh Rugby (5)	▼	4	1	0	3	0	2	6	6	6	8	0	66	11	9	5	0	88	1	1	-22
TOTALS			28	27	1	27	21	11	144	168	128	87	1	1366	168	128	87	1	1366	21	11	

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 4 MICROCOSM

FRIDAY 21 SEPTEMBER			
(B)	CARDIFF BLUES	(14)37	MUNSTER (13)13
	Gareth Anscombe(4C/3P)		Joey Carbery(P)
	Nick Williams(7)		Andrew Conway(11/ 14)
	Tomos Williams(17/ 77)		Att: 7,284
	Willis Halaholo(45)		
(B)	TOYOTA CHEETAHS	(17)39	ULSTER (14)39 (B)
	Tian Schoeman(3C/P)		Billy Burns(3C/2P)
	Louis Fouche(C/P)		Dave Shanahan(4/ 22)
	Gerhard Olivier(2)		Johnny Stewart(68)
	William Small-Smith(38)		Penalty Try(74)
	Joseph Dweba(53)		Henry Speight(80)
	Jacques du Toit(64)		Att: 5,063
	Rabs Maxwane(75)		
SATURDAY 22 SEPTEMBER			
	OSPREYS	(10)27	BENETTON RUGBY (3)10
	Dan Evans(33)		Antonio Rizzi(P)
	Justin Tipuric(44)		Ian McKinley(C)
	Sam Davies(72/3C/2P)		Braam Steyn(54)
	Att: 6,405		
	CONNACHT	(20)33	SCARLETS (13)20
	Jack Carty(3C/4P)		Rhys Patchell(C)
	Tom Farrell(5)		Leigh Halfpenny(C/2P)
	Cian Kelleher(26)		Johnny McNicholl(29)
	Niyi Adeolokun(75)		Tom Prydie(72)
	Att: 5,839		
(B)	LEINSTER	(12)31	EDINBURGH RUGBY (0)7
	Fergus McFadden(16)		Jaco van der Walt(C)
	James Lowe(38)		Magnus Bradbury(45)
	Jordan Larmour(50)		Att: 13,476
	Johnny Sexton(64/3C)		
	Garry Ringrose(79)		
	DRAGONS	(13)16	ZEBRE (5)5
	Jordan Williams(P)		Mattia Bellini(22)
	Arwel Robson(14/P)		Att: 4,104
	Dafydd Howells(40)		
(B)	ISUZU SOUTHERN KINGS	(24)38	GLASGOW WARRIORS (0)28 (B)
	Masixole Banda(5C/P)		Adam Hastings(4C)
	Yaw Penxe(5)		Nick Grigg(60)
	Martin du Toit(10/ 72)		DTH van der Merwe(64/ 80)
	Rudi van Rooyen(19)		Fraser Brown(77)
	Harlon Klaasen(53)		Att: 3,160
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 (6):

Dave Cherry (Edinburgh), Robbie Nairn (Glasgow Warriors), CJ Velleman (Isuzu Southern Kings), Diarmuid Barron (Munster), Steph Malan, Louis Fouche (Toyota Cheetahs)

150 GAMES

Ken Owens

100 GAMES

Kristian Dacey



FAIRPLAY LEAGUE

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Pos	Team	YC	CCW	RC	PC	Pts
1	Connacht	1	0	0	0	1
1	Leinster	1	0	0	0	1
1	Munster	0	1	0	0	1
4	Cardiff Blues	2	0	0	0	2
4	Toyota Cheetahs	2	0	0	0	2
4	Zebre	2	0	0	0	2
7	Dragons	3	0	0	0	3
7	Edinburgh	0	0	1	0	3
7	Glasgow Warriors	2	1	0	0	3
7	Ospreys	3	0	0	0	3
7	Ulster	3	0	0	0	3
12	Scarlets	3	1	0	0	4
13	Benetton Rugby	3	0	1	0	6
13	Isuzu Southern Kings	6	0	0	0	6
TOTALS		31	3	2	0	40

RED CARDS (2)

Irne Herbst (Benetton Rugby at Scarlets, 15 Sep) banned for two weeks, he is free to play from midnight Sunday, September 30.

Pierre Schoeman (Edinburgh at Leinster, 22 Sep)

CITING COMMISSIONERS WARNINGS (3)

Callum Gibbins (Glasgow Warriors v Munster, 7 Sep)

James Cronin (Munster at Glasgow Warriors, 7 Sep)

Tom Prydie (Scarlets v Benetton Rugby, 15 Sep)

YELLOW CARDS (31)

Benetton (3)	Robert Barbieri, Hame Faiva, Luca Sperandio
Blues (2)	Rhys Gill, Olly Robinson
Connacht (1)	Jarrad Butler
Cheetahs (2)	Malcolm Jaer, Charles Marais
Dragons (3)	Brandon Nansen, Ross Moriarty, Rhodri Williams
Edinburgh (0)	-
Kings (6)	Henry Brown, Tienie Burger, Bobby de Wee, Godlen Masimla, Andy Ntsila, Yaw Penxe
Leinster (1)	Josh Murphy
Munster (0)	-
Ospreys (3)	Adam Beard, Giorgi Nemsadze, Justin Tipuric
Scarlets (3)	David Bulbring, Ed Kennedy, Samson Lee
Ulster (3)	Alan O'Connor(2), Rob Herring
Warriors (2)	Alex Dunbar, Adam Hastings
Zebre (2)	Oliviero Fabiani, Giosue Zilocchi

TOP GUINNESS PRO14 ACCUMULATORS

Rank	Name	Team	Apps	Mins	Try	Conv	PG	DG	Points
1	Jack Carty	Connacht	4	306	0	8	10	0	46
2	John Cooney	Ulster	3	193	1	3	11	0	44
3	Gareth Anscombe	Cardiff Blues	2+1	187	1	7	7	0	40
4	Sam Davies	Ospreys	3+1	281	1	10	5	0	40
5	Tommaso Allan	Benetton Rugby	3	240	2	6	5	0	37
6	Adam Hastings	Glasgow Warriors	3+1	240	1	11	1	0	30
7	Carlo Canna	Zebre	4	299	1	6	4	0	29
8	Leigh Halfpenny	Scarlets	3	225	0	7	5	0	29
9	Masixole Banda	Isuzu Southern Kings	4	317	0	8	4	0	28
10	Johnny Sexton	Leinster	2	131	1	9	1	0	26
11	Simon Hickey	Edinburgh Rugby	2+1	172	0	2	7	0	25
12	Josh Lewis	Dragons	2+2	165	1	4	3	0	22
13	Jarrold Evans	Cardiff Blues	2+1	140	0	3	5	0	21
14	Joey Carbery	Munster	2+2	201	1	6	1	0	20
15	Stuart Hogg	Glasgow Warriors	2	154	1	3	1	1	17
16	JJ Hanrahan	Munster	3	204	1	4	1	0	16
17	Ross Byrne	Leinster	2+1	174	0	5	2	0	16

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	Niyi Adeolokun	Connacht	1+3	138	3	2	1	0	3
2	Gareth Davies	Scarlets	3+1	229	3	3	0	2	1
3	Jamison Gibson-Park	Leinster	2+2	159	3	2	1	0	3
4	Rhys Marshall	Munster	1+2	118	3	2	1	1	2
5	George North	Ospreys	3	213	3	3	0	1	2
6	Braam Steyn	Benetton Rugby	4	320	3	1	2	0	3
7	Justin Tipuric	Ospreys	3	229	3	3	0	0	3
8	DTH van der Merwe	Glasgow Warriors	4	284	3	0	3	0	3

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	Adam Hastings	Glasgow Warriors	12	12	100.00%	222322/2222	11/11	1/1	Last 12
2	Gareth Anscombe	Cardiff Blues	14	15	93.33%	2p3/2223332	7/7	7/8	Last 8
3	Johnny Sexton	Leinster	10	11	90.91%	322222/2c22	9/10	1/1	Last 2
4	John Cooney	Ulster	14	16	87.50%	3/332223/333	3/3	11/13	Last 10
5	Leigh Halfpenny	Scarlets	12	14	85.71%	2/2cc222/332	7/9	5/5	Last 6
6	Sam Davies	Ospreys	15	19	78.95%	cc/332/32232	10/13	5/6	Last 8
7	Jack Carty	Connacht	18	23	78.26%	c/23/2323332	8/11	10/12	Last 9
8	Carlo Canna	Zebre	10	13	76.92%	23c/33/222c/c	6/9	4/4	Missed last 2
9	Masixole Banda	Isuzu Southern Kings	12	16	75.00%	2c/2/p222322	8/11	4/5	Last 6
10	Jarrold Evans	Cardiff Blues	8	11	72.73%	c2223/p333p	3/4	5/7	Missed last 1
11	Tommaso Allan	Benetton Rugby	11	18	61.11%	23p2/22pc23	6/10	5/8	Last 2
12	Ross Byrne	Leinster	7	12	58.33%	3c22/p22p2/c	5/8	2/4	Missed last 1
13	Tian Schoeman	Toyota Cheetahs	7	12	58.33%	22/c2c/232c2	6/9	1/3	Last 1

Qual: 10 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)	22 – Adam Hastings (Warriors @ Cheetahs, 15 Sep)
Most tries	4 - Mike Mullins (Munster @ Caerphilly, 11 Sep 01)	2 by eighteen 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)	7 – Adam Hastings (Warriors @ Cheetahs, 15 Sep)
Most penalty goals	9 – Luciano Orquera (Aironi v Benetton, 23 Dec 11)	5 – John Cooney (Ulster v Scarlets, 1 Sep)
		5 – Simon Hickey (Edinburgh @ Ulster, 7 Sep)
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)	40 mins – Rhys Marshall (Munster v Ospreys, 14 Sep)

TEAM RECORDS

	All-Time	Best in 2018/19
Most points in a home game	75-7 Ospreys v Benetton (Liberty Stadium, 16 Feb 14)	52-10 Leinster v Dragons (RDS Arena, 15 Sep)
Most points in an away game	67-15 Ulster @ Caerphilly (Virginia Park, 5 Oct 02)	52-24 Warriors @ Cheetahs (Toyota Stadium, 15 Sep)
Highest aggregate of points in game	98pts - Caerphilly 32, Edinburgh 66 (Virginia Park, 21 Sep 02)	<i>78pts – Cheetahs 39, Ulster 39</i> (Toyota Stadium, 21 Sep)
Biggest home win	68pts – Ospreys 75, Benetton 7 (Liberty Stadium, 16 Feb 14)	42pts – Leinster 52, Dragons 10 (RDS Arena, 15 Sep)
Biggest away win	57pts – Dragons 3, Glasgow 60 (Rodney Parade, 15 Feb 13)	28pts – Cheetahs 24, Warriors 52 (Toyota Stadium, 15 Sep)
Best attendance (regular season)	68,262 – “Judgement Day IV” (Principality Stadium, 30 Apr 16)	13,976 – Leinster v Dragons (RDS Arena, 15 Sep)

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



APPROACHING CAREER MILESTONES

POINTS SCORING	
1,500 points:	Ian Keatley (1,420)
1,000 points:	Johnny Sexton (781), 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), Justin Tipuric
Record:	67 tries – Tommy Bowe (Ulster & Ospreys)
MATCHES PLAYED	
200 games:	Ian Keatley (193), Ross Ford (192), John Barclay (190)
150 games:	Nick Williams (144)
100 games:	Sam Parry (99), John Ryan (98), Robin Copeland (96), Eoin McKeon (95), George Earle (95), Sam Davies (95)
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	1420	Phil John	196	Tommy Bowe	12625	DTH van der Merwe	57
Ronan O'Gara	940	Ian Keatley	193	Dan Evans	12158	Craig Gilroy	51
Felipe Contepomi	877	Ross Ford	192	Alastair Kellock	11767	Andrew Trimble	50
Jason Tovey	875	John Barclay	190	Ian Keatley	11756	Tom James	45
Duncan Weir	854	Michael Swift	184	Andrew Trimble	11755	Shane Horgan	39
Chris Paterson	810	Isaac Boss	175	Dan Parks	11400	Fionn Carr	37
David Humphreys	786	Alastair Kellock	174	Ross Ford	11395	Simon Zebo	37
Johnny Sexton	781	Dougie Hall/ Tommy Bowe	174	Dan Biggar	10921	Nikki Walker/Nick Williams/Dan Evans	36

Active players in GUINNESS PRO14 marked in grey

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