



RFU

England Academy Player Playing Out of Age Grade Form

The decision to allow an England Academy Player to play up into an older age grade or into adult rugby in accordance with RFU Regulation 15.7.1, lies with the person in the best position to assess all the relevant circumstances and must be approved by the RFU Head of Regional Academies (donaldbarrell@rfu.com).

This form should be read in conjunction with the Age Grade Codes of Practice:
www.englandrugby.com/codesofpractice

Note: Please use alternative form to apply for Non-England Academy Players.

1. The ultimate consideration must be for the welfare and safety of the player and those with whom the player will be playing.
2. There has and will be clear communication with all those involved in and affected by the decision.
3. The following aspects must be taken into consideration when making the decision:
 - (i) The physical development of the individual and the player's playing colleagues
 - (ii) The skill level and experience of the individual
 - (iii) The individual's playing position in the team
 - (iv) The competitive standard of the particular match and playing conditions.

Player Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____

Club: _____ RFU ID Number: _____

Chronological Age Grade: _____ Proposed Age Grade: _____
(If adult rugby input 'Adult')

Playing Position: _____

TEAMWORK RESPECT ENJOYMENT DISCIPLINE SPORTSMANSHIP

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Please tick which of the below applies:

An U16 England Academy Player to play and/or train two Age Grades above in the front row of the scrum.

Play Train

A 16 year old England Academy Player to play and/or train in adult contact rugby.

Play Train

A 17 year old England Academy Player to play and/or train in adult contact rugby in the front row of the scrum or otherwise.

Play Train

Reason for the player to play out of their Age Grade:

Period of Permission, including dates (e.g. one match, a series of matches, the season):

NB: maximum period is 1 season

Proposed by: _____

Role in relation to the Player: _____

Declaration:

We certify that all the information on this form is correct and agree to play the above player out of age grade in accordance with RFU Regulation 15 (Age Grade Rugby).

Signature of **Academy S&C Coach:** _____ Date: _____

Signature of **Academy Doctor:** _____ Date: _____

Signature of **Proposer (i.e. coach):** _____ Date: _____

Signature of **Parent/Guardian or Head Teacher:** _____

Date: _____

Approvals:

Pursuant to RFU Regulation 15, the additional approval of the RFU Head of Regional Academies is required.

Signature of **RFU Head of Regional Academies:** _____

Date: _____

It is a requirement of RFU Regulation 15 that this form is duly completed and signed and retained as a record of consent.