



# Motherwell Athletics Club

## Parent or Carer Code of Conduct

Motherwell Athletics Club is proud to have a family-friendly ethos at its heart. It strives to be a supportive, inclusive and positive club which values effort, contribution and participation.

The Club is committed to everyone having the right to enjoy their sport in an environment free from threat of intimidation, harassment or abuse.

To maintain and foster our highly-prized team spirit and to derive maximum benefit and enjoyment from MAC membership, it is essential that all parents or carers of members under 18 adhere to the following Code of Conduct.

- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants and treat everyone equally within the context of their sport, regardless of age, ability, disability, gender, race, ethnicity, religious belief, sexuality or social/economic status;
- Encourage your child to learn the rules and play within them;
- Discourage unfair play and arguing with coaches or officials;
- Publicly accept the judgements of officials;
- Help your child to accept that good performance is more important than winning;
- Encourage your child to accept responsibility for their own performance and behaviour;
- Be a good role model by recognising fair play and applauding good performances by all;
- Never force your child to take part in sport against their wishes;
- Support your child's involvement in sport, and encourage their enjoyment of it;
- Encourage a balanced lifestyle between sporting, academic, social and other interests;
- Report any concerns you have about your child's welfare/treatment to the Club Welfare Officer;
- Never punish or belittle a child for losing or making mistakes;
- Do not use inappropriate language;
- Assist with the organisation of teams and events if able to do so.