**PAHC CLUB CODE OF CONDUCT**All Athletes, Parents & Supporters are expected to be respectful to all coaches/ co-ordinators, officials and helpers.  
We do not yell or answer back to officials. We follow protocol for protests and approach club managers to handle.  
Verbal or Physical abuse is unacceptable especially from an adult.  
We support our team mates and club mates  
We encourage our  team mates and club mates  
We wear our Papakura Athletic & Harriers singlet with pride  
Enjoy participating, compete fairly, do your best and have fun! **Junior Athletes**

* **Follow and compete by the rules.**
* **Never argue with a sports official.**
* **Control your temper at all times. Verbal abuse of officials and verbalizing other athletes and deliberately distracting are not acceptable behaviours in any sport.**
* **Work hard for yourself and your club.**
* **Be a good sport. Applaud all skilful athletes whether they are made by your club or the competitors.**
* **Treat all participants in your sport as you like to be treated.**
* **Cooperate with your coach, team-mates and competitors.**
* **Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit, not just to please parents, coaches and teachers.**
* **Respect the rights of all participants regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.**

**Parents**

* **Always remember that kids participate in sport for their enjoyment, not yours.**
* **Encourage kids to participate, do not force them.**
* **Be positive on the child's efforts and performance rather than winning or losing.**
* **Always encourage kids to participate according to the rules following the code of conduct.**
* **Never make negative comments to a child for making a mistake or losing a competition.**
* **Remember that kids learn best by watching great role models.**
* **Reinforce the stance on removing verbal and physical abuse from kids sports.**
* **Always respect the officials decisions and teach kids to do likewise.**
* **Always show appreciation for volunteer sports coaches, officials and club administrators.**
* **Respect the rights of all participants regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.**

**Coaches / Managers**

* **Always remember that kids participate for pleasure, enjoyment and winning is only part of the fun.**
* **Never use negative ridicule or yell at children for making a mistake or not winning.**
* **Be considerate and reasonable in your demands on kids time, energy and enthusiasm. Kids sports is only one part of their busy lives.**
* **Always operate within the code of conduct, rules and fair spirit of your sport and instruct the kids to do the same.**
* **Always ensure that the time kids spend with you as coach is a positive experience. All kids are deserving of equal attention and opportunities.**
* **Display control, respect and professionalism to all involved within the sport. This includes opponents, coaches, officials, administrators, the media, parents and other spectators. Encourage athletes to do the same, be a great role model.**
* **Always show concern toward sick and injured players. Follow the advice of a trained medical trainer when determining whether an injured child is ready to recommence training and competition.**
* **Where appropriate obtain qualifications and keep up to date with the latest coaching practices and the latest principles of growth and development of children.**
* **Any physical contact with a child should be appropriate to the situation and necessary for the player's skill development or medical care.**
* **Respect the rights of all participants regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.**
* **It is essential that the three parties (players, parents and sports coaches/officials) receive a copy of the Code of Conduct for Kids Sports at the commencement of any season. It must be read, understood and most importantly adhered too**