



CODE OF ETHICS FOR READINGS



NAME:

ABOUT TAROT & HOW I BELIEVE IT WORKS:

Tarot has been around, in one form or another, since before the 1300's, when it first came to Europe. Originally, it was a card game (the first developed, by the Mamluks in what is now Egypt). But it wasn't used for divination until the end of the 1700's. Eventually, in the 1900's, the tarot attained its current existence. Tarot decks can be on almost any subject with any type of art. But the symbols in the images are part of what Jung called "the collective unconscious". We all have access to this collective unconscious, & then things become even more complex when symbols are also seen by any given person. We all have filters through which we see the world (our life experiences, prejudices, beliefs, etc.), & so we will each interpret a symbol the same but also differently. Tarot is composed of, generally, seventy-eight cards (Oracle decks aren't bound to any of these conventions): twenty-two Major Arcana (numbered 0-21) & fifty-six Minor Arcana over four suits (Wands, Cups, Swords & Pentacles, which each correspond to one of the physical elements: fire, water, air & earth, respectively). Tarot is a system of symbols on cards, through which wisdom & guidance can be found. Tarot bypasses the ego & our conditioning, patterns, habits, & fears to give us insights into our lives & ourselves. Tarot brings truths to the surface, helps you see & cope with them, & then to take inspired & dynamic action in your life. Tarot allows the Universe (or whatever you believe in) to talk to us!

HOW I USE TAROT:

As tarot can bypass all the structures we have imposed on ourselves or that have been imposed upon us, it is an ideal tool for self-knowledge, learning our subconscious feelings/thoughts/etc. on a topic, self-exploration, looking at the energies around a situation, getting the information one needs to make informed choices, learning to act in dynamic & inspired ways, & more. Tarot helps us be more self-aware, more honest, more grounded & centered, more self-knowledgable, more self-compassionate, more able to trust ourselves & our intuition, be more in tune with ourselves & situations, & so much more! Tarot has limitations, of course, based on things like free will & the fact that we all have to make our own choices. But these don't change tarot's ability to enlighten & empower us! Tarot empowers us to be ourselves, unapologetically & without fear. It can help us discover who we are, why we do what we do or say what we say, why we've made the decisions we've made, what we're hiding even from ourselves, & a million other things. Tarot is a flexible & fluid medium that allows us to learn to hear & interpret messages from the Spirit & the Universe (or whatever you believe in, if anything).

MY READING STYLE:

I could most aptly be described as an intuitive reader with a coaching style & a counseling approach. Intuition can be defined as: "the ability to understand something immediately, without the need for conscious reasoning" or "a thing that one knows or considers likely from instinctive feeling rather than conscious reasoning" (from the Oxford Languages Dictionary). A coaching style means "a person's unique way of working with another individual to help them improve performance and reach their potential" (from hrdqstore.com), while a counseling approach (I am not a therapist, just so that's clear) is about dealing with people one-on-one. Or, according to harleytherapy.co.uk, "Coaching helps you set and achieve goals vs counselling [which] helps you recognise and solve your problems in life". I try to do a bit of both...

I tap into Spirit (what I believe in) through my Higher Self using cards & other mediums. An intuitive approach is about trusting the Universe, Spirit, my Higher Self & the messages I sense from them. I believe the Universe (or whatever you believe in, if anything) wants us to succeed & be the best versions of ourselves we can be, & it has given us many tools with which to do these things. And an intuitive approach also gives me the ability to use tarot, astrology, power/spirit animals, tarot constellations, numerology, crystals, aromatherapy & anything else I can incorporate into a reading to translate Spirit's, the Universe's & my Higher Self's messages.

WHAT IS ETHICAL & PROFESSIONAL FOR TAROT?

Ethics & professionalism are incredibly important to me as a professional tarot reader! To me, being an ethical & professional tarot reader is about:

- having the client & their well-being as my number one priority,
- caring greatly about the welfare of my clients,
- always trying to be compassionate, empathetic & non-judgmental,
- being up-front & transparent about what to expect from a session, pricing for those services, & policies the client will be expected to follow,
- having clear & expressed ethics & boundaries,
- keeping ethical practices & taking steps to ensure these ethics are always practiced (a Code of Ethics & a Client Agreement),
- encouraging clients to listen to & trust their own intuition, to narrow down options & make their own choices
- maintaining strict confidentiality & privacy for both hardcopies & digital files & information,
- being honest, but telling the truth compassionately & kindly,
- not selling questionable products or services,
- sticking to their areas of expertise, & when a client's question goes beyond that, referring them to a qualified professional.

The American Tarot Association defines ethical Tarot readers as: "People who help others better hear their own inner guides. They empower clients to think through their options and come to decisions on their own... [They] encourage clients to seek the licensed professional help of doctors, counsellors, accountants, and lawyers – especially in cases where the client's concern goes beyond the expertise of the reader. They do not use the cards to identify "curses" or "bad energy" and then charge a fee to remove these 'curses' or 'bad energy.'"

WHAT I CAN DO WITH TAROT?

Tarot gives us many opportunities to learn & explore not only situations & choices, but our lives & ourselves. It can:

- makes situations clearer,
- helps you to see things from different perspectives,
- answers questions in a way that allows truths to surface,
- readings bypass the ego, conditioning, patterns, habits, fears, etc.,
- helps you to access subconscious thoughts, feelings, etc.,
- helps you see what is & what could be,
- helps you to cope with situations & circumstances,
- increases self-knowledge & self-awareness,
- helps you to do shadow work,
- shows you the energy around a situation or choice,
- gives insights into yourself & your life,
- helps you to learn to listen to & trust your intuition,
- helps to find, understand & reclaim your power,
- helps take action in an inspired & dynamic way in your life,
- & much more!

WHAT I CAN'T/WON'T DO WITH TAROT?

There are things that I either can't or won't do with tarot. These are hard boundaries for me, one's I'm unwilling to break for any one for any reason. They include:

- answering "yes or no" questions as it is a waste of tarot,
- predicting the for-sure future as I believe in free will,
- third-party readings (what someone else thinks/feels/etc.) as it is a violation of their privacy,
- giving medical, legal, financial or any other advice as I am not qualified to give,
- giving readings to minors who are younger than 13 or without a parent's permission & signature as I feel it's unethical,
- allowing anyone not being read for to be present for the reading because it violates your privacy,
- "fortune telling" as I don't predict the future because I'm not psychic in that way,
- any "whens" (when something will happen, etc.) as it is not my gift,
- doing one reading on multiple topics as it splits my focus.

THE READINGS I OFFER:

You're the magick; tarot is the mirror. Book a reading today to see your magick in that mirror!

GUIDANCE & GROWTH (Introductory Session) **FREE**
(choose either Sensitivities or Chronic Illnesses)

QUICK CLARITY (30-Minute Reading) **\$97**
(Quick inquiries or follow-up questions)

SOUL MIRROR (60-Minute Reading) **\$207**
(For most readings & questions)

DEEP WATERS (90-MINUTE READING) **\$317**
(For first readings & more complex questions)

PREARRANGED TAROT READINGS:

THE AWAKENING PATH (60-Minute Reading) **\$207**
(Choose one: Highly Sensitive Person, Empath or Chronic Illness)

THE ALIGNMENT JOURNEY (60-Minute Reading) **\$207**
(Choose one: Highly Sensitive Person, Empath or Chronic Illness)

THE PIONEER'S SOJOURN (60-Minute Reading) **\$207**
(Choose one: Highly Sensitive Person, Empath or Chronic Illness)

TAROT READING PACKAGES:

SACRED INSIGHT (3 60-MINUTE READINGS) **\$707**
(Choose one: Highly Sensitive Person, Empath or Chronic Illness)

PROFOUND CLARITY (6 60-MINUTE READINGS) **\$1377**
(Choose two: Highly Sensitive Person, Empath, Chronic Illness)

SOUL TRANSFORMATIONS (9 60-MINUTE READINGS) **\$2097**
(All three: Highly Sensitive Person, Empath & Chronic Illness)

See my website for a full list of services & for all of my Tarot Coaching services: www.intotheaviary.com.

HOW READINGS WORK:

We'll begin with what you'd like your reading to focus on (if it isn't a reading that's already set, such as the reading packages I offer) & any necessary background information that I will need to give you the best reading. The more you can tell me, the more accurate & helpful your reading will be! Then, we'll discuss the best way to phrase your question so that you get the most helpful answers & what, if any, sub-questions you might want to ask on the same subject. I'll choose a deck or decks for your reading intuitively. At this point, we'll begin the reading.

First, I'll ask you to focus on your question(s) until you can hold it/them in your mind effortlessly while I shuffle; when you can, you'll tell me to stop shuffling. If we're doing one of the preset readings, I'll set up the reading according to that layout & those card positions that we'll have discussed. If not, I'll intuitively layout the cards using the card positions we determined in our conversation prior to the reading. I'll show you the cards as I lay them down or turn them over & will interpret the cards first as individually, then in any pairs or groups I see & finally in the reading as a whole.

After that, please feel free to ask any questions you've not asked during the course of the reading &, if needed, I'll draw clarifying cards to help answer them. After the reading, I'll email you that reading's recording along with a PDF that'll include all the information about that reading [deck(s) used, main & sub-questions & much more]. If you want to do a follow-up reading on that same issue, please book a 30-minute reading at least 1 month later; otherwise, if you want another reading, book it for whatever amount of time is appropriate.

I'll warn you now: the answers you get in these readings won't always be the ones you hoped for, **they'll be the ones you need!** I'd also suggest that you try not to have any expectation of the answers you might gain in these readings: no expectations mean you won't be disappointed if the answers you receive aren't what you expected, & you'll be more likely to be open to whatever comes up!

PAYMENT, REFUND & CANCELLATION POLICIES:

The only way I give refunds is if your appointment needs to be rescheduled & you don't wish to do so. No refunds will be given for services that have already been provided or products that have already been delivered. Unless you specify at the time you're notified of the need to reschedule that you don't wish to make another appointment, I will credit your account for a future product or service instead of extending a refund.

If you are unhappy with the content or results of a session, I cannot offer you a refund. I spent time & effort not only on that session but also in preparation for it. It's unfair to ask me for a refund simply because you don't like something I suggest or that comes up. If you have an issue with something that arises during a reading or session, I'd appreciate it if you could contact me so we can work through the problem. I know that not offering a money-back guarantee makes it more difficult to give these services a try, but it takes a lot to prepare for & perform them. It's just not something I can offer & still be fair to myself. This is why I offer the **FREE GUIDANCE & GROWTH, CLARIFY & CONNECT & GROUND & FLOW** sessions...so you can see what co-creating with me is like! However, if you book a package & change your mind part of the way through, I will refund you for the sessions you paid for & did not have. But I can't extend a refund for sessions that have already been completed!

I require a minimum of 24 hours' notice for cancellations. **A cancellation after the 24-hour deadline will result in a credit of only 50% of your payment being credited. A no-show will result in 0% of your payment being credited.** It's unfair to schedule my time without giving me sufficient or any advance notice that you won't be coming, which is time I could have used to schedule another client.

If you have health issues that may cause you to cancel appointments on short notice more than infrequently, please let me know when you book your first appointment or when you first begin experiencing these issues. When that happens, I'm happy to work something out with you so you are spared having only half of your payment credited. (These must be late cancellations; this agreement does not cover no-shows). I may occasionally need to reschedule with less than 24 hours' notice. If this happens without a mutual arrangement, I will provide you with a code that will grant you 30 minutes **FREE** to use with another session, as well as make sure the session I missed is rescheduled.

WHAT A READING DIALOGUE IS:

Readings are about working ethically & equally with the querent (the one being read for) to provide guidance & support for them. A reading dialogue is a conversation between myself, you, our Higher Selves & Spirit (or whatever you believe is bigger than yourself, if you believe in something bigger than yourself).

The goals of this process are to assist you with any areas of your life in which you need assistance & encouragement, & to find you some much-needed answers (though I'll warn you that *they aren't always the answers you hoped for; **they'll be the answers you need***).

And your experiences, thoughts & feelings are key to this process. This is a kind of dialogue that requires all participants to be honest, willing to address their lives (no matter their level of self-knowledge) & willing to listen to the guidance the Universe (or whatever you believe in) gives you through me.

I will often ask for your opinion or take on something; please give me your first thought or reaction ("first thought, right thought"). This is key, because even if you've never seen a tarot card before, etc., it doesn't mean you are clueless; you are already familiar with many of the images & as they are all part of the Collective Unconsciousness.

As every image resonates with each of us differently, it is important for me to know what images & symbols mean to you. Ask any questions you have during the reading, & follow up questions can be asked after the reading via email, but only twice per reading.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN COACHING ON THESE ISSUES?:

If you might be, please sign up with **THE AVIARY** so you can learn more about the tarot coaching & life coaching services I will soon offer. Readings & Transformational Tarot Coaching will be available January 1, 2026 & the waitlist is now open. Life Coaching will become available around June 1st, 2026, & its waitlist will open up at the first day of 2026. Be sure to get your name on the waitlists ASAP by going to www.intotheaviary.com & signing up. We also have a Discord support group called **THE PHOENIX ODYSSEY** on **THE AVIARY'S** server.

HOW I PROTECT YOUR PRIVACY:

I want it clear from the outset that any information you provide, no matter how impersonal, will be kept in the strictest confidence. I keep the hard copies of client files locked in drawers to which I have the only key. I keep all electronic client files in a partition of my drive that requires two passwords to get into. If this is not enough security for you, please let me know & we'll see what else is possible.

If I needed to consult another professional reader or coach about something that arose during a reading or coaching session, which would be an incredibly unusual event, I would never do so without your express written permission. And in that case, I would never provide them with any unnecessary information about you or disclose anything that could identify you. I trust you to be honest with me; please try to trust me to do the same with you!

If our relationship isn't based on mutual trust & respect, & if you aren't honest with me or I with you, then my services won't make sense, nor will they be helpful. I do everything I can to keep us both safe!

MY RULES FOR READING FOR MINORS:

People Twelve Years Old & Younger:

I can't read for anyone younger than thirteen years of age, ever. There's no guarantee that they will understand what a reading is & how it works, to start with. Plus, there are other ethical issues that make this difficult—impossible to do. And, as I believe that readings are between the reader & the client alone, this makes coaching those under age thirteen even more difficult because the parent wouldn't be allowed to sit in on the reading.

People Thirteen-Eighteen Years of Age:

I might be open to reading for those who are between the ages of 13-18, as long as their parent or legal guardian gives their written consent to allow the reading & as long as the parent/guardian understands that they won't be allowed to sit in. In order for me to maintain privacy, courtesy & confidentiality, no one but the client can be present during the reading. If you're interested, please message me at raven@intotheaviary.com.

WHAT I SUGGEST YOU DO PRIOR TO EACH SESSION:

Please silence all electronic devices & put away any other possible distractions. I want to stress the importance of this & that it shows us the respect we're each due. I won't have my phone on or be reading emails while we talk. My relationship with my clients deserves my full attention & I want those clients to succeed! You want to succeed, too; otherwise, why book a reading or coaching session with me?

One of the best ways to be present is to be grounded. What does grounded mean? Being grounded means that you're present in your body & open to experiences. Why is this necessary? When we're grounded, we are more confident in ourselves & our responses, we approach everything with a sense of calm & observation, & we tend to be more in touch with ourselves & our bodies. How can you ground yourself? There are literally dozens of techniques for grounding yourself. Most involve using your physical senses (touch, sight, hearing, taste & smell) to engage you, though deep breathing is also a great technique. Being grounded will also allow you to push off stress & anxiety & help you take a step back from your feelings & experiences so you're better able to see them for what they are. You want to choose a way to get grounded that makes you feel safe, calm, happy & open. If you're unfamiliar with ways to ground yourself, please research to see what method(s) work best for you!

The last thing I'd recommend is setting an intention for each & every reading or session you do! According to Wikipedia, an intention is "...a mental state in which a person commits themselves to a course of action". Why is this important? Setting an intention for the work you're about to do not only gets you into the best frame of mind for the activities ahead of you but also tells the Universe what you're hoping to gain from or achieve with that work. My intention for myself is always, "Please help me guide this person to their highest good". Try to always set an intention (whether it's different every time or not) by saying what you want & hope for out loud, at least until you're more accustomed to setting them. After that, saying them in your head is fine.

THE NOT-TO-BE-DREADED PAPERWORK

There are many forms you'll need to fill out when you book a service from me. I must have all the paper work returned to me a minimum of 72 hours prior to your first scheduled appointment. Otherwise, you'll need to reschedule.

FOR READINGS:

You'll need to fill out &/or sign & return the following forms, or fill them out with a link:

- Application Form
- New Client Intake Form
- Code of Ethics for Readings
- Consent Form
- Reader/Coach-Client Agreement

FOR TAROT COACHING:

You'll need to fill out &/or sign & return the following forms, or fill them out with a link:

- Application Form
- New Client Intake Form
- Code of Ethics for Readings
- Code of Ethics for Coaching
- Consent Form
- Reader/Coach-Client Agreement

Please see my FAQs Page at www.intotheaviary.com for more specifics!

HOW I AM QUALIFIED:

RAVEN'S FLIGHT RECORD

I am a certified Biddy Tarot Advisor & a Life Coach certified in the following disciplines: Transformational Tarot Coaching, General Life Coaching, Psychic Tarot Coaching, Advanced General Life Coaching & more. I've also taken courses on a wide range of topics, including basic programs in psychology, active listening, tarot, coaching, & communication, as well as advanced ones. I'm currently adding more to these lists.

However, I think there is more to being "qualified" than degrees & certifications. Being a life-long Highly Sensitive Person, Empath & person with chronic illnesses, I have first-hand experience with the issues you're dealing with & circumstances with which you're living. I have struggled with them all at one time or another. I've also done an extensive study of chronic illnesses & sensitivities, learning all I can to help myself & others. So, I truly get what they can be like!

I've been lucky enough to have experienced an exciting & complicated life (though "exciting" & "complicated" haven't always seemed like good things at the time), & I've been many things to many people (including myself). Now I'm here to help you see that every fall, every misstep you've had with your chronic illnesses &/or sensitivities has led you here...so you can learn to soar!

This is what I have to offer you...

SIGNATURE REQUIRED

When you've read through this form, please print & sign your name below to acknowledge you've read it, & understand & agree to it's contents.

NAME PRINTED:

NAME SIGNED: