

Requirements of First Degree Initiation

1. Information to learn:

1. Read, understand, and accept the Bylaws of the Tradition.
2. Magical laws, guidelines, ethics, and responsibilities.
3. Become familiar with elements and correspondences.
4. Become familiar with the Wheel of the Year.
5. Become familiar with the uses of basic magical tools.
6. Learn a standard method of altar arrangement.

2. Skills to learn:

1. Learn to Ground and Center.
2. Basic Meditation.
3. Become familiar with basic energy work.
4. Learn a standard method of casting and opening a circle.
5. Learn and perform Banishing and Blessing.

3. Acquiring and maintaining basic magical tools:

1. How to find and purchase magical tools.
2. Proper care and feeding of magical tools.
3. Athame, wand, or sword.
4. Pentacle, stone, or other representation of earth.
5. Incense holder or other representation of air
6. Candle holder or other representation of fire
7. Chalice or other representation of water
8. Magical supplies.

4. Understanding Pagan lore and history:

1. Determine an aspect of the God and/or Goddess with which to work.
2. Demonstrate a working knowledge of culture and mythology as it relates to these aspects.
3. Demonstrate a working knowledge of the tradition's mythology and lore.
4. Demonstrate a working knowledge of the history of Pagan peoples and beliefs.

5. Divination:

1. Understanding divination theory and its uses.
2. Become familiar with a method of divination.
3. Demonstrate a working knowledge of your selected divination method.

6. Group workings:

1. Assist with the preparation and planning of a ritual.
2. Cast a circle for a group ritual.
3. Assist with raising group energy.

7. Choose a magical name.

8. Demonstrate by ones manner of living and interactions with others that one is in all ways prepared to become "Witch, Priest, And Initiate" in the First Degree.