The Birth Doula

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[(4) you are not under the age of 18

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(6) you will not access the Site through automated or non-human means, whether through a bot, script, or otherwise;

(7) you will not use the Site for any illegal or unauthorised purpose;

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6. engage in unauthorised framing of or linking to the Site.
7. trick, defraud, or mislead us and other users, especially in any attempt to learn sensitive account information such as user passwords;
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9. engage in any automated use of the system, such as using scripts to send comments or messages, or using any data mining, robots, or similar data gathering and extraction tools.
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11. attempt to impersonate another user or person or use the username of another user.
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14. use the Site as part of any effort to compete with us or otherwise use the Site and/or the Content for any revenue-generating endeavor or commercial enterprise.
15. decipher, decompile, disassemble, or reverse engineer any of the software comprising or in any way making up a part of the Site.
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23. disparage, tarnish, or otherwise harm, in our opinion, us and/or the Site.
24. use the Site in a manner inconsistent with any applicable laws or regulations.

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(4) your reviews should not contain references to illegal activity;

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(5) otherwise manage the Site in a manner designed to protect our rights and property and to facilitate the proper functioning of the Site.

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