

TATTOO

AFTERCARE INSTRUCTIONS



Congratulations on your new tattoo! Quality is truly our commitment, and as such, we would like to review these 10 easy steps with you to ensure your new procedure heals optimally:



Leave your dressing or bandage on for no more than 2 hours. You may notice some blood product, ink seepage, ink smudging, and sweat buildup, all of which is to be expected during this time. Do not leave on for more than the squired time.



Prior to performing the first removal of your dressing, collect the following: Aftercare ointment, non-stick dressing or plastic wrap and if needed, hypoallergenic tape, then: place in clean area, then thoroughly wash hands with soap and water.



Remove dressing or bandage carefully, avoiding any abrasions to site of procedure.



Wash thoroughly with warm water and fragrance-free soap. Do not be alarmed if a "slimy" substance is noted, this is a combination of blood product, sweat, seeped ink, and protein deposits from healing process.



Pat dry with clean paper towel and allow to air dry for the remainder of the day/night



Apply thin layer of ointment (i.e: Bepanthen, Dr Pickles etc.) so as to minimally moisten the entire area. Please be sure this is done with clean hands and that you do not over-apply ointment as excess ointment will clog pores and thwart the repair process of the skin, resulting in scarring, damage to ink, or warping of your design.



Keep your procedure area clean with fragrance-free soap and warm water, and avoid touching with unwashed hands or any material that one may come in contact with.



Avoid any animals near the tattoo. Do not let them lick or rub of the fresh tattoo and be careful when sitting if your tattoo is on the back of your body as these areas rub on surfaces and seats - make sure your tattoo is covered or avoid it touching on surfaces.



Continue this process for a total of 14 days. Once your tattoo starts to scab and itch and flake do not scratch it or pick at it, as the scab holds the ink. Premature scab removal can remove the ink from the tattoo and result in a patchy tattoo.



During these 14 days it is essential that NO sunbathing, NO water immersion (swimming jacuzzi, baths, etc.)

Remember that your ink is now part of your skin, and if your skin is healthy, so is your ink! It is recommendable that after the two-week healing process, use of daily lotion and sunscreen when exposed to sun is paramount!