

Tattoo Aftercare

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DO THE FOLLOWING:

- Leave the tattoo bandaged for a minimum of 1 – 3 hour and no longer than 8 hours.
- Remove bandage under warm running water. If the bandage is stuck to the tattoo, gently remove it while under running water, therefore reducing the risk of damaging the tattoo.
- Once bandage is removed, make sure your hands are clean, and using an unscented, antibacterial soap (Such as Dial™), wash the tattoo off well with lukewarm soapy water.
- When done washing the tattoo, gently pat/dab it dry with fresh paper-towel and allow the tattoo to air-dry for about 5 – 10 minutes.
- On the second day, apply a fragrance free, daily moisturizing lotion (Such as Aveeno™) to the tattoo 2 – 3 times daily.
- Keep applying lotion for the continuing week, or until the tattoo is completely done peeling.

DO NOT DO THE FOLLOWING:

- Re-bandage the tattoo once the bandage has been completely removed.
- Allow direct sunlight on tattoo for first 2- 3 weeks.
- Pick or scratch tattoo while its peeling.
- Soak the tattoo for 2 weeks.
- Swim, Take Baths, go tanning, or enter a hot tub or sauna for 2 weeks or until the tattoo is completely peeled.
- Shave or wax the area until tattoo is completely healed.
- Apply Alcohol, Vaseline (petroleum jelly) or sunblock to fresh tattoo.

OTHER THINGS TO EXPECT:

- Once you leave the shop, proper care of your piercing is your responsibility.
- If the tattoo is in an area where it can be exposed to the air, allow it to breathe. allowing the tattoo to breathe will help the healing. Your body and oxygen are going to heal the tattoo.
- If possible, wear loose fitting clothing over the tattoo and be careful not to suffocate tattoo with socks or pantyhose.

NOTICE

Somewhere between 3 and 6 days, the tattoo will start to flake off like tissue paper.

Do not pick at or scratch (slap it, don't scratch it!).

Let the skin peel naturally, You may notice small pieces of dry skin containing colour coming off while using the lotion or washing the tattoo.

This is normal – it is just the top layer of dead skin coming off. Your tattoo is no disappearing.

****Don't put too much faith in commonsense advice; If you have questions, call or visit the artist that did your piercing.****