

Recommended Tattoo Aftercare

1. Wash your hands prior to touching your tattoo. Please remove the bandage within 1-2 hours of getting your tattoo and proceed to gently washing your tattoo with mild soap (anti bacterial) and lukewarm water. **Do not reapply a new bandage.**
2. Do not apply any creams, lotions, ointments, petroleum jelly, or neosporin to the tattooed area for the first two days.
3. After two days you can apply a light coating of unscented moisturizer ex:(dove, jergens, lubriderm) until skin returns to its pre-tattoo condition.
4. Stay out of direct sunlight and tanning booths for 7-10 days. Use sunscreen of at least SPF30.
5. No gyms, saunas, spas, jacuzzis, or big bodies of water for 7-10 days or until the tattoo is completely healed. Showers are fine but do not soak the tattooed area.
6. Your tattoo should form a light dry scab that will fall off in 7-10 days. Some people heal more roughly as all bodies are different and your individual body may not have the same response time as others. Do not touch or pick at scab. Itchiness is to be expected, no scratching. A light pat will do just fine. If your tattoo sticks to your clothing, please wet the item of clothing before pulling it apart from the tattooed area.
7. Signs and symptoms of infection include, but not limited to, severe redness, swelling, tenderness of the procedure site, red streaks going from the procedure site towards the heart, elevated body temperature, or purulent drainage from the procedure site. Discharge from site may be green/yellow in color and foul in odor.

CONTACT THE TATTOO SHOP FIRST AND SEEK MEDICAL CARE IF ANY SIGNS OR SYMPTOMS OF INFECTION DEVELOP.

