

# Tattoo Aftercare

**Remove your bandage 30-60 min after applied**

**Immediately wash your tattoo:**

- Use an antibacterial hand soap such as dial gold
- Thoroughly wash your hands
- Apply more hand soap and scrub your tattoo with your fingertips
- Rinse your tattoo with warm, not hot water.
- Pat dry with a clean white paper towel
- Do not re-bandage your tattoo
- Never use bar soap, dish soap, body wash, shampoo, or a porous loofah on or near your tattoo.

**Repeat this process 2-3 times daily, or as necessary. Continue until your tattoo is fully healed.**

**You may begin applying lotion 24 hours after your tattoo is completed**

- Use a white, unscented, water-based lotion such as Lubriderm or Curel
- Apply 2-3 times a day
- Apply light even layers, making sure not to leave residue behind
- Continue this process until your tattoo is fully healed
- Vaseline, A&D ointment, or other petroleum based products are NEVER acceptable to use on a tattoo.
- If a product is causing abnormal drying, cracking, pimples, or hives, immediately discontinue use of that product and switch to something more gentle for your skin. If you are unsure, immediately consult your tattoo artist.

*Though we take every precaution to make sure infection doesn't occur during the tattoo process, once you leave it is your responsibility to ensure the tattoo is cleaned properly to continue preventing infection.*

**Do Not**

- Pick or scratch flakes or scabs, these will fall off naturally in time
- Submerge your healing tattoo in water for extended periods of time (sink, pool, lake, bath)
- Peel off clothing stuck to tattoo without getting it wet first
- Let your pet come in contact or lick the fresh tattoo

If you have questions, please call us! 920-651-0779 M-Sat 11am- 8pm

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