

TATTOO AFTERCARE

How to care for your new tattoo

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Initially, swelling and skin sensitivity after a tattoo session is normal and may last 1 - 2 days. Within 24 hours, remove the bandaged and gently cleanse the tattooed area with warm water and antibacterial soap.

Apply a thin layer of antibiotic ointment or cream 3 times a day for the next 4 - 7 days. After that time, use a non-fragranced lotion or moisturizer of your choice until skin returns to its pre-tattooed condition.

For at least 3 weeks AVOID long periods of direct UV exposure, i.e. sunlight, tanning beds. You can wear sunscreen (min SPF 25) after 2 weeks. DO NOT submerge your new tattoo in water for long periods of time, i.e. swimming pools, jacuzzis and saunas.

Your tattoo will itch. DO NOT rub, pick or scratch at your new tattoo while its healing. Loss of color and/or infection could occur. Treat your new tattoo as if it were an open wound. Most infections occur due to poor treatment. Every body heals differently and at different rates. Approximate healing period is 2 - 4 weeks.

BREATHABLE TATTOO BANDAGE: It's a waterproof bacterial barrier that protects your new tattoo from environmental exposure. Designed to breath like skin, it sticks to dry skin which forms a barrier around the tattoo. The barrier allows the skin cells to migrate without interruption of infection or abrasion. It protects your new tattoo for days at a time eliminating the need to wash multiple times each day, resulting in an improved tattoo experience.

Consult a health care practitioner at the first sign of infection or an allergic reaction, and report any diagnosed infection, allergic reaction or adverse reaction resulting from the tattoo to the studio and to the Texas Department of State Health Services, Drugs and Medical Devices Group, at 1-888-839-6676