



Tattoo Aftercare

Okay, so now you've got your awesome new tattoo. Now what do you do? Proper aftercare of your new tattoo is extremely important. You must be diligent with following the directions or risk infection, tattoo art damage and/or permanent scarring. For the first several days after you receive a tattoo, you must make sure to keep the area clean and bacteria free.

Once the tattooing is complete, your artist will bandage it.

After 1-2 hours, first wash your hands and then the tattooed area with warm water and antibacterial soap. **BE SURE** not to use anything other than your clean hands to wash the tattoo.

- Thoroughly wash away any excess plasma from the skin; this will ensure your new piece of custom art heals properly.
- Never wipe your tattoo dry, **ALWAY** dab it dry. Then let it air dry for 15-20 minutes
- Apply a thin layer of Tattoo Goo, 3-5 times daily. Be certain to monitor your application and if needed use more often. Massage the ointment into the tattoo, then dab off (with a clean paper towel), to make sure this is not too much on there still.
- Use the kit that you purchased for the first 3-5 days, then switch to the lotion for at least 7-10 days, or until the tattoo is fully healed.

DO NOT PICK AT THE TATTOO ...this will result in improper healing and possible infection/scarring.

You should repeat the washing process and wash your tattoo a minimum of 3-5 times a day, until it is completely healed.

** During the first 2-4 weeks of any new tattoo you should NOT expose it to direct sunlight. Yes, this includes salon tanning too! Stay away from excessive moisture, chlorine, hot tubs and/or ocean(s) for the first 2-4 weeks***Your tattoo will need this critical 2-4 week period to set properly and allow your skin to heal.***

After your tattoo is healed, **REMEMBER** to use sunscreen whenever the tattoo is exposed to sunlight. This will extend the life of your tattoo.