



TATTOO AFTERCARE INSTRUCTIONS

Thank you for trusting us with your tattoo. Proper aftercare is essential for healing and preserving the quality of your new artwork.

FIRST 12 HOURS: Leave the Bandage On

Keep the bandage or protective film on for the amount of time recommended by your artist.
Wash your hands before touching your tattoo.

First Wash

1. Remove the bandage carefully.
2. Wash the tattoo gently with lukewarm water and a mild, fragrance-free soap.
3. Remove any blood, plasma, or ointment buildup.
4. Pat dry with a clean paper towel.
5. Allow the tattoo to air dry for 10–15 minutes.

Moisturize

Apply a very thin layer of the aftercare product recommended by your artist.
Do not over-apply. The tattoo should not feel greasy or suffocated.

DAYS 2–14: Cleaning

Wash the tattoo 2–3 times daily with fragrance-free soap and lukewarm water.
Pat dry with a clean paper towel.

Moisturizing

Apply a thin layer of fragrance-free moisturizer after each wash or whenever the tattoo feels dry.
Use only enough to lightly hydrate the skin.

What to Expect

Normal healing may include:

- Redness
- Mild swelling
- Tenderness
- Flaking or peeling
- Itching

Do not pick, scratch, or peel the tattoo.

AVOID DURING HEALING

Scratch or pick at scabs or peeling skin
Soak the tattoo in water

- * No baths
- * No hot tubs
- * No swimming pools
- * No lakes, rivers, or oceans
- * Exposure to direct sunlight
- * Wear tight or abrasive clothing over the tattoo
- * Apply products containing alcohol, fragrances, or harsh chemicals

ACTIVITY RESTRICTIONS

For approximately 2 weeks:

- * Avoid excessive sweating when possible.
- * Avoid contact sports or activities that may cause friction to the tattoo.
- * Keep the area clean and dry.

LONG-TERM CARE

Sun Protection

Once fully healed:

Apply SPF 30+ sunscreen whenever the tattoo is exposed to sunlight.

Sun protection helps maintain color and detail for years to come.

Skin Care

Keep the skin moisturized regularly.

Healthy skin helps keep tattoos looking vibrant.

WHEN TO CONTACT YOUR ARTIST OR A HEALTHCARE PROVIDER

Seek advice if you experience:

- Excessive redness that worsens after several days
- Severe swelling
- Increasing pain
- Yellow or green discharge
- Fever or chills
- Signs of an allergic reaction

HEALING TIMELINE

Days 1–3: Sensitive, slightly red, and may ooze plasma.

Days 4–10: Peeling, flaking, and itching are common.

Days 10–21: Surface healing continues; skin may appear dull or cloudy.

Weeks 4–6: Most tattoos are fully healed on the surface.

Thank you for following these instructions. Proper aftercare is the key to a beautiful, long-lasting tattoo.