Tattoo Aftercare

FOR TATTOOS HEALED WITH SECOND SKIN/DERMSHIELD

Leave clear bandage on for 24-72 hours.

Bandage needs to be completely covering tattoo with none of the bandage receding. At any point if the bandage starts coming off the skin, REMOVE the entire bandage. There may be discharge trapped in the bandage, this is normal. But if it leaks outside of the bandage, IMMEDIATELY remove the bandage and begin the healing process..

To remove the bandage:

Run warm water over the bandage for 60 seconds and then grab an edge and gently pull/stretch the bandage off the skin. Usually it removes in one piece.

After removing the bandage:

Clean the tattoo and the skin around it with antibacterial soap 1-3 times daily. Apply a thin layer of Aquaphor healing ointment once a day until the tattoo is no longer sensitive to the touch. Use a paper towel to blot excess ointment from the tattoo. After the tattoo is no longer sensitive to the touch, use a basic unscented

white lotion for 7-10 days.

FOR TATTOOS HEALED WITHOUT SECOND SKIN

For the first 5 days after getting tattooed,

Clean your tattoo every day 1-3 times a day with antibacterial soap, pat dry and apply a very thin layer of Aquaphor healing ointment to the whole tattoo. Remove excess ointment by blotting with a paper towel.

After the first five days, simply clean the tattoo with antibacterial soap and pat dry. Apply a basic unscented lotion to the tattoo for 7-10 days until tattoo is completely healed.

Do not pick at your tattoo during the healing phase. There will be skin that flakes and peels like a sunburn and possibly some itchiness. Do not use exfoliators or excessive cleaning products on your tattoo as it heals.

No saunas, hot tubs, cold tubs, Chlorine pools, saltwater pools, ocean water, lake water, or prolonged soaking of any kind for 2-4 weeks as the tattoo heals.

Avoid sunburns, tight or abrasive clothing, and working or exercising in dirty environments during the healing process. Apply SPF protection to your tattoo to prolong the brightness and life of your tattoo after it is healed.