

Tattoo Healing Instructions

1. If a bandage was applied, remove the bandage after 2-4 hours. Never rebandage.
2. Wash well with mild antibacterial soap and water using hands only. Pat dry.
3. Apply a very thin coat of Vitamin E oil.
Do NOT use Vaseline® or other petroleum products.
If your tattoo becomes out-of-focus, milky, or fuzzy-looking, you are using too much ointment.
Don't overdo it.
4. Wash your tattoo 3-4 times each day for the first 7 days. Apply Vitamin E oil each time.
5. If your tattoo sticks to clothing or bedclothes at night, moisten the area with water 5 times over a 30-minute period before pulling the material away from the tattoo.
6. Keep your tattoo out of direct sunlight and tanning beds until it is completely healed. Avoid swimming and hot tubs for at least 14 days.
7. Do not allow shower water to beat directly on your new tattoo. Do not soak in the bathtub for long periods of time.
8. Do not allow pets, especially cats, to come into contact with the unhealed tattoo.
9. It is best to avoid weight lifting for 7-10 days.
10. Do not wear tight jeans, socks, stockings, or other tight-fitting clothing over your tattoo for 7-10 days.
11. If your tattoo is in an area where you usually shave, you may shave around the tattoo but not over it for at least 21 days.
12. The tattoo will become rough and may peel like a mild sunburn. Do not pick it. Let the flakiness fall off on its own. Do not scratch a healing tattoo.
13. After your tattoo has healed, usually 7-14 days, use sunblock when exposed to sunlight or tanning beds. This will help maintain the color and clarity. Regular use of body lotions is also helpful.

If you follow these instructions, you should not have any problems.

If you do experience any complications or have any questions about the healing and aftercare of your tattoo, please call our studio at (304) 720-9064.

Thank You