

NOTORIOUS TATTOOS

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TATTOO AFTERCARE

1. Before touching your tattoo, wash your hands with antibacterial soap under warm water for at least 20 seconds.
2. When you get home after your tattoo appointment, remove any bandage/covering your artist has applied to your tattoo.
3. Once the bandage is removed, rinse any blood/plasma off with some lukewarm water.
4. After blood and plasma build-up has been removed, wash your tattoo with warm water and non scented antibacterial soap for at least 20 seconds. NOTE; there is no need to scrub your tattoo. Make suds from the soap in between your hands and then gently place the suds onto your tattoo. Let that sit on your tattoo for at least 20 seconds.(20 seconds allows the soap to kill any potential bad bacteria on your tattoo)
5. Be sure to thoroughly rinse off all soap residue, as soap residue could be a potential irritating to your skin and tattoo.
6. After you have cleaned and rinsed your tattoo, either allow your tattoo to air dry or use a clean paper towel to dry it. DO NOT USE A TOWEL OR A RAG TO TRY YOUR TATTOO. As these harbor bacteria which is bad for your fresh tattoo.
7. Now that your tattoo is clean and dry, apply a THIN layer of Aquaphor to your tattoo. Or non scented lotion of any kind. NOTE; DO NOT over apply Aquaphor to your tattoo. Too thick of a layer is not good for your tattoo. You want to keep your tattoo moisturized, not wet. Over application could cause damage to your tattoo and surrounding skin. (Such as break out due to skin suffocation and irritation)
8. Follow steps 3-7 for the first 5 days of the healing process of your tattoo twice a day. Once in the morning, once at night.
9. Throughout your healing process some normal side effects include itchiness, scabbing, redness of skin. However, if irritation is prolonged or if you have any questions and concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your artist. We are more than happy to answer any questions you may have.

NOTE: if you are a pet owner, it is very important to keep your pet away from your healing tattoo as much as possible. While our animals are our babies, they could cause great damage to your tattoo as it is essentially an open wound. If you feel your tattoo has gotten dirty, wash it and follow steps 3-7 as soon as possible.

It is also important to keep your fresh tattoo out of the sun for the first week you are healing.