

Tattoo Aftercare

Congratulations on your new tattoo and thank you for trusting Monster Ink for your tattoo needs! You're sat through the hard part but now you start the most important part, insuring your tattoo will look as good as possible for as long as possible. Correct aftercare procedures ensure that the tattooed area of skin remains infection free and that your tattoo heals as quickly and efficiently as possible. The bandage should remain on for 1-2 hours after the tattoo is initially done. If it falls off prior to this time, please do not try and put it back on. Wash the tattoo with a gentle soap and pat it dry with a paper towel or clean cloth. Leave the tattoo dry for the remainder of the first day. The following 2 days clean the tattoo once or twice throughout the day again using a gentle soap. Apply a small amount of A&D ointment to the area and work it in with your (clean) fingers. Never slather the tattoo with anything in excess. After working in the ointment, take a clean paper towel and wipe off any residual ointment remaining on the skin. It's important that the tattoo can breathe! After 2 days, discontinue use of A&D ointment but continue washing your tattoo 1-2 times a day for at least 2 weeks. Your tattoo will peel/flake typically after a week or so of the tattoo being done. Hard scabs are not uncommon. It's important during this time not to scratch or pick at the tattoo. If it's uncomfortably itchy, you can use a minimal amount of fragrance free/dye free lotion to help soothe your tattoo. If it burns when applying lotion, discontinue use. It's important to remember to allow 30 days for a tattoo to heal before going swimming or subjecting the tattoo to direct sunlight. Do not soak or submerge your tattoo in water during this time, ESPECIALLY chlorine. This is one of the most crucial parts to ensuring the best possible retention of your tattoo while minimizing chances of infection. Though infections are incredibly uncommon, they are always possible. Always contact a doctor at the first signs of infection and don't hesitate to stop in or call if you have any questions. Remember, every tattoo artist has a different aftercare, you chose us to do your tattoo, so please follow OUR aftercare instructions.

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