



HEALING INSTRUCTIONS FOR TATTOOS DONE BY STEPH

After the tattoo is applied it is covered with a thin layer of aftercare and covered with a bandage. Leave the bandage on for at least one hour, but you may leave the bandage on for up to 4 hours. Make sure to wash your hands before handling the tattoo, your tattoo is an open wound and take great care to what comes in contact with it. Remove the bandage and have luke warm running water, paper towels, anti-bacterial unscented soap, and aftercare ready to go. Gently wash and rinse tattoo with running water and soap. Once your tattoo is clean pat dry with a clean paper towel. Apply a small pea size amount of aftercare (vitamin A&D, aquatatt, aquaphor) to the tattoo surface, distribute aftercare thinly to the tattoo. Do not over apply aftercare. Giving a fresh tattoo too much moisture may lead to scabbing and prolonged healing. After you have done this just let it do its thing. You'll repeat this process once in the morning and once at night for four days. If you work out of work with a messy environment, wash extra afterwards. After the 4 day period do not apply anymore aftercare. Continue to wash once a day and lotion if itchy. At this point of the healing process your tattoo will start to flake and peel like a sunburn. Do not ever pick at your tattoo. Let the peel fall off naturally. It should be done shedding after a couple of days. Avoid over exposure to the sun and water for the next 2-3 weeks. Infection is caused by the care and exposure your new tattoo gets in its first days of healing. If you are questioning if infection is happening to your tattoo please feel free to contact me and or your health physician.

Touch ups are free for the first 3 months with the exception of hard healing spots on the body (neck, hands, feet, ribs). Outside of the 3 months there is a \$30.00 touch up fee.

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