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Tattoo Aftercare Instructions

So you got a new tattoo! Here's the best way to take care of it.

First, remove the protective bandage within 1-2 hours after receiving your tattoo. If you were supplied with "Saniderm" from your artist, you can leave it on up to 3 days.

Once bandage is removed, gently wash entire tattoo with warm, soapy water. We recommend a fragrance-free soap like Dial or Softsoap.

Pat dry with a clean paper towel and allow to air dry for a few minutes.

Next, apply a small amount of REDEMPTION or AQUAPHOR ointment to your tattoo. Repeat this process morning and night for the first three to seven days.

After a week, you can switch to an unscented-lotion if your tattoo feels tight or dry.

DO NOT re-bandage tattoo.

No direct sunlight on tattoo for the first 2-3 weeks.

DO NOT pick or scratch tattoo during the healing period. Allow scabs to fall off naturally.

DO NOT soak the tattoo in water. No swimming, baths, hot tubs or saunas for a minimum of 2 weeks.

NO shaving or waxing area until tattoo is completely healed.

DO NOT apply alcohol, Vaseline, petroleum jelly or sunblock to a fresh tattoo.

DO NOT listen to friends, or so-called "tattoo experts." If you have questions or concerns, please give us a call or stop by the shop.

If there is any reason to suspect an infection of the tattoo or it's surrounding area, consult with a health care professional. Symptoms of infection include fever, swelling, redness, or drainage.

There is always the possibility of an allergic reaction to some of the tattooing pigments.

Once you leave the shop, proper care of your tattoo is your responsibility! Please follow these instructions to ensure maximum healing results.