

The Ink Gallery

AFTER CARE INSTRUCTIONS

You have just spent the last few hours getting inked with sterilized instruments and pigments. If you follow these simple directions, the healing process will be effective and you will have a beautiful piece of art. The life of your new ink is dependent upon the necessary care it receives in the first few days.

- ❖ Remove the bandage after 3 hours. If the dressing sticks to your tat, wet it thoroughly until it falls off easily... DO NOT PULL IT OFF...
- ❖ Wash your tat thoroughly with mild soap and water. Pat dry with a clean lint free towel.
- ❖ Use clean hands to apply a thin and WE MEAN THIN coat of ointment. DO NOT USE VASELINE, ALCOHOL or PEROXIDE. If any rash occurs discontinue use.
- ❖ DO NOT apply ointments too heavily. Your skin breaths just like your lungs if you block your nose you can't breathe same concept with pores.
- ❖ DO NOT RE-BANDAGE your tat...
- ❖ DO NOT RUB, SCRATCH OR PICK YOUR TATTOO, You just spent the last few hours getting jabbed with needles over and over again. You have an open wound treat it as such. Your tat will scab just let them fall off naturally.
- ❖ DO NOT expose your new tat to direct sunlight or tanning beds for at least 14 days.
- ❖ DO NOT soak in a tub, spa, swim in a pool or ocean or use a sauna for at least 14 days. The sun, saltwater or chlorine will act like bleach and ruin your new ink you just paid for.
- ❖ Wear lightweight loose clothing over your tat, especially if you work around grease, oil, dirt, etc.
- ❖ Make sure if something touches your tat it's clean. If it's not then that's a good time to washy, washy.
- ❖ After a week or so the peeling will stop and your ink will look shiny and wrinkled this is a normal part of healing just use a scent free moisturizer on it. People heal at different rates; it normally takes 2 to 4 weeks for your tat to heal.
- ❖ Use YOUR BRAIN; you should contact your doctor if you show any signs of an infection. Common signs are red streaks jutting out from the wound, soreness, green/yellow foul smelling discharge and or a fever.
- ❖ If you are unsure come by the shop and we can look at it but we are not doctors if you feel its life threatening go seek medical help immediately.

2031 Forest Ave Ste 6 SI NY 10303 917-397-9540

theinkgallerynyc@gmail.com www.theinkgallerynyc.com