

Tattoo Aftercare

Take the bandage off in 2-4 hours. Immediately wash your tattoo gently, using only your hand to wash. Use a mild soap (Ivory, Dove, etc.) Anything for sensitive skin or formulated for infants should be fine. Pat dry with a clean towel. Do not start using ointment until the following day.

The next day, start using **AQUAPHOR** or **AQUATAT** 2-3 times a day after washing. Apply a **VERY SMALL AMOUNT** of ointment, rubbing it in well. You should **NOT** see a shine from the ointment on your tattoo. Too much can pull out the ink. *Less is better.*

BE SURE TO WASH YOUR TATTOO EVERY TIME BEFORE USING OINTMENT.

Do this until the tattoo heals in 2-4 weeks.

Your tattoo will scab in a few days- **THIS IS NORMAL**. If you've been using a different ointment, switch to using white unscented lotion to keep your skin from getting too dry.

ONLY DO THIS IF YOU HAVE BEEN USING SOME OTHER OINTMENT BESIDES AQUAPHOR OR AQUATAT.

REMINDERS:

- *Always wash your hands before handling your tattoo*
- *Do not re-bandage -let it breath*
- *No soaking or swimming for 2 weeks*
- *No tanning -always use sunscreen after your tattoo heals*
- *Do not pick or scratch*
- *Pat dry with a clean towel*
- *Use only a light amount of ointment*

Your new tattoo is in your hands and the outcome depends on you.

Most importantly, advice should only be taken from the person who tattooed you.

DO NOT TAKE ADVICE FROM ANYONE ELSE.