

## TATTOO AFTER CARE GUIDE

We hope you enjoy your new tattoo.  
Once you leave Titan Tattoo, proper care of your tattoo is your responsibility.

**CLEANING SOLUTIONS:** Antibacterial, Unscented, Non-Moisturizing SOAP  
Warm Clean Water

**OINTMENT:** A&D Provided After Your Tattoo  
Any Aftercare Products Sold At Titan Tattoo  
Unscented, Water-Based Body Lotion

**REGULAR BANDAGE:** Leave your tattoo bandaged for no more than 2-hours. Remove the bandage gently. If it sticks to your tattoo, get it wet with warm water.

**SANIDERM:** Leave Saniderm/Tegaderm/Second Skin on for 2-3 days. It is normal to see some fluid buildup beneath the bandage. If the bandage starts to leak, clean the area surrounding the bandage. After 2-3 days, remove the bandage gently UNDER WARM RUNNING WATER by stretching from the corners and sides. DO NOT PEEL OFF LIKE A BAND-AID. When you stretch the bandage, it allows the adhesive to come off the skin without disrupting the tattoo, and prevents taking any ink with it.

Wash your tattoo after removing the bandage and pat dry with a clean towel or paper towel. Let it air dry 5-10 minutes. Apply a light layer of aftercare ointment as above. Your skin should be sticky from the ointment, not slimy or greasy.

1. Wash the tattoo twice (2x) daily with your using SOAP and warm water. Wash your hands before you touch it. Do not use a wash rag, scrubby or anything abrasive. Make sure to rinse all soap from tattoo.
2. DO NOT RE-BANDAGE YOUR TATTOO
3. Rinse all soap, shampoo, etc. from your body and wash your tattoo LAST in the shower.
4. The less you touch it, the less likely you are to get an infection. WASH YOUR HANDS BEFORE TOUCHING THE TATTOO! Wash your hands before applying aftercare ointment. Don't let anyone else touch your tattoo, and don't let the family dog lick it either.
5. Ointment/lotion can be applied 3-5 times daily as needed.
6. Use ointment until tattoo begins to flake off like a sunburn does, then switch to using water-based body lotion.
7. DO NOT PICK AT OR SCRATCH YOUR TATTOO while it's healing.
8. DO NOT soak your tattoo in a hot tub, pool, lake, bathtub or any other standing water. It is OK to shower – PLEASE shower.
9. Avoid direct contact with sun, do not use sunscreens on healing tattoos and do not get in the tanning bed while healing.
10. No shaving or waxing the tattoo site until it's healed.
11. Do not apply alcohol, peroxide, Vaseline, Neosporin, Cortisone or anything not previously recommended to your new tattoo.
12. Avoid touching your new, healing tattoo to surfaces like tables or chairs in schools, restaurants, bars, hospitals and jails – places where a lot of people touch the surfaces. This is where staph lives. If you have new wrist or forearm tattoo, elbows up at the dinner table.

Do not listen to friends or so-called tattoo experts. Trust the aftercare suggestions of the artist you trusted to do your tattoo – if you have questions or concerns about your tattoo, please call or come by the shop. If infection occurs, please seek help. Call or come by the shop. Then call a medical professional. Better safe than sorry!