



OAK & IRON AFTERCARE

TEGADERM METHOD

SOME OF OUR ARTISTS WILL PROVIDE YOU WITH A TEGADERM ALSO KNOWN AS SANIDERM OR TATTOODERM) BANDAGE. THIS METHOD OF HEALING IS A LITTLE DIFFERENT, SO IT'S IMPORTANT TO FOLLOW THESE STEPS. TEGADERM IS A STERILE, BREATHABLE, WATERPROOF, GERM-PROOF BARRIER TO PROTECT YOUR NEW TATTOO. TEGADERM WILL PROTECT YOUR TATTOO FROM CONTAMINATION AND WILL ALSO PROTECT YOUR CLOTHES AND SHEETS FROM EXCESS INK, BLOOD AND FLUID THAT ARE THE NORMAL BY-PRODUCTS OF HEALING A TATTOO. YOU CAN SHOWER NORMALLY WHILE HEALING, BUT PLEASE STILL ABSTAIN FROM SWIMMING OR SUBMERGING YOUR TATTOO IN BODIES OF WATER.

1. YOUR ARTIST WILL BANDAGE YOUR NEW TATTOO WITH TEGADERM.
2. LEAVE THIS ON FOR 3-4 DAYS. IF YOU NOTICE ANY REDNESS OR ALLERGIC REACTION TO ADHESIVE IMMEDIATELY REMOVE YOUR BANDAGE IN THE SHOWER AND FOLLOW THE STEPS FOR LOTION METHOD.
4. WHEN REMOVING THE BANDAGE AFTER DAY 3, CLEAN THOROUGHLY AGAIN WITH A LIQUID HAND SOAP AND WARM WATER. YOU CAN USE OUR OAK & IRON AFTERCARE ON YOUR TATTOO FOR THE NEXT FEW DAYS.

LOTION METHOD

1. REMOVE YOUR BANDAGE AFTER A FEW HOURS.
MANY ARTISTS WILL RECOMMEND LEAVING YOUR BANDAGE ON OVERNIGHT TO PREVENT STICKING TO CLOTHING AND SHEETS. WASH YOUR TATTOO WITH WARM WATER AND LIQUID SOAP.
GENTLY DRY YOUR TATTOO. THERE IS NO NEED TO REBANDAGE.
2. APPLY A THIN LAYER OF FRAGRANCE-FREE PLAIN HAND LOTION LIKE OAK & IRON AFTERCARE 2-3 TIMES A DAY. LOTIONS SHOULD BE USED VERY SPARINGLY AND SHOULD ABSORB WITHIN A FEW MOMENTS. IF THERE IS LOTION SITTING ON YOUR TATTOO, YOU HAVE APPLIED TOO MUCH AND CAN GENTLY BLOT TO EXCESS WITH A PAPER TOWEL.
3. IN 2-3 DAYS, YOUR TATTOO WILL BEGIN TO FLAKE OR SCAB. DO NOT PICK AT YOUR NEW TATTOO. DO NOT SUBMERGE YOUR TATTOO IN POOLS, BATHS, HOT TUBS, OR OTHER BODIES OF WATER.
4. KEEP YOUR NEW TATTOO CLEAN. SHOWERING IS OKAY AND ALWAYS WASH YOUR HANDS BEFORE TOUCHING.
5. DO NOT EXPOSE YOUR TATTOO TO DIRECT SUNLIGHT OR TANNING BED OR PETS!

**IF YOU ARE HAVING ANY REACTIONS OR HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR HEALING TATTOO
PLEASE CONTACT THE SHOP OR YOUR ARTIST PERSONALLY!**

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