

BONE DEEP TATTOO'S AFTERCARE

Leave the bandage that you received after the tattoo on 1 to 2 hours. Make sure your hands have been washed thoroughly before you remove the bandage. After removing the bandage cleanse the tattoo area with soap and water with finger taps. Dry the tattoo area by gently patting the area with a clean, sterile towel. Let the tattoo dry completely (approximately 10 minutes). Lightly rub on a thin layer of antibiotic ointment (such as Bacitracin). You do not need to re-bandage. Repeat steps above for three – four days, approximately 6 times per day. The antibiotic cream should not be used for more than 3 -4 days (read the directions on the ointment); switch to a fragrance free lotion. The idea behind this part of the process is to **NOT** let the tattoo dry out. The ointment should be applied heavy enough to look shiny. Too thin and the surface can dry and prolong healing. You may need to apply more or less often, depending on you and your environment (again consult the directions for the ointment for proper application). After a few days you may notice some peeling and possibly a little scabbing. Excessive scabbing can indicate a poorly done tattoo, but some scabbing may be normal. It is at this point in the healing process that your tattoo will begin to itch.

**RESIST THE URGE TO SATISFY YOUR DESIRE TO SCRATCH, RUB, OR
PICK AT THE TATTOO!!!**

Remember, the treatment your tattoo receives in the first few weeks are the most important days of its life! Stay out of the sun until your tattoo has healed completely. Apply sun block to the tattoo after it has healed whenever it is exposed to the sun to protect it from damaging ultraviolet rays.

Do not go swimming, or soak in a hot tub, or bath.

Do not use hydrogen peroxide or rubbing alcohol on our tattoo.

Do not itch, pick, or scratch the tattoo.

Do not participate in activities that will make you sweat.

**Thank you for choosing Bone Deep for your tattoos.
We are pleased to be able to serve you!**