

# T3XTURE

## TATTOO AFTERCARE, BY CHERYL

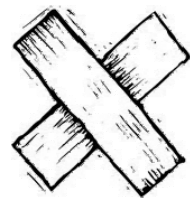
CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR NEW TATTOO. WE WANT YOUR TATTOO TO LOOK AS GOOD AS POSSIBLE AND SO WE REMIND YOU THAT THERE WILL BE A HEALING PROCESS. IN ORDER TO HELP YOU ENSURE PROPER HEALING OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS WE MAKE THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CARE.

### WHAT YOU SHOULD DO

#### THE FIRST HOURS:

REMOVE YOUR BANDAGE IN APPROXIMATELY ONE HOUR. YOUR BANDAGE IS TO COLLECT FLUIDS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING YOUR PROCEDURE. THESE FLUIDS STOP VERY QUICKLY AND AFTER THAT IT IS IMPORTANT TO LET YOUR SKIN BREATHE IN ORDER TO PROPERLY HEAL. SO, ONLY REBANDAGE IF NECESSARY!

*BANDAGE: SIMPLE GAUZE WITH LIGHT TAPE TO FIX IT IN PLACE.*



#### TWO OR THREE TIMES DAILY:

USING FRESHLY WASHED HANDS APPLY A NON-SCENTED MOISTURIZING LOTION IN A VERY THIN COAT TO THE TATTOO. COMPLETELY RUB THE LOTION INTO THE SKIN. NEVER LEAVE A HEAVY BUILD UP OF LOTION ON THE TATTOO.

CHECK THAT TATTOO FOR ANY SIGNS OF INFECTION (REDNESS, ITCHING) AND IF NECESSARY APPLY AN ANTIBIOTIC OINTMENT AND CONSULT A HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONAL.

*LOTION: WE RECOMMEND LUBRIDERM™ OR CUREL™*



#### DAILY:

IN THE SHOWER ALLOW WATER TO RUN ON YOUR TATTOO AND SOFTEN ANY DRIED FLUIDS THAT MAY HAVE FORMED. LIGHTLY WASH YOUR TATTOO, USING ONLY YOUR FINGERTIPS AND AN ANTI-MICROBIAL SOAP LATHER.

*ANTI-MICROBIAL SOAP: WE RECOMMEND SATIN™ OR PROVON™*



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## WHAT YOU SHOULD NOT DO

- ☒ SUBMERGE THE TATTOO IN WATER. THIS INCLUDES BATHS, LAKES, SWIMMING POOLS, HOT TUBS ETC.
- ☒ EXPOSE THE NEW TATTOO TO DIRECT SUNLIGHT
- ☒ PICK OR SCRATCH AS IT HEALS
- ☒ BE TOUCHED BY OTHER PEOPLE OR ANIMALS. INCLUDING BODY FLUIDS
- ☒ LET YOUR TATTOO DRY OUT. THIS CAN LEAD TO THE FORMATION OF HARD SCABS WHICH COMPLICATE PROPER HEALING AND MIGHT MAKE THE IMAGE RAISED, HAZY, UNCRISP OR HAVE MISSING AREAS
- ☒ HAVE BAD HYGIENE! FOR EXAMPLE MAKE SURE THAT YOU HAVE CLEAN BEDDING AND CLEAN CLOTHING
- ☒ ANYTHING THAT MAY LEAD TO AN INCREASED RATE OF INFECTION



## WHAT YOU SHOULD EXPECT AS THE TATTOO HEALS

HEALING USUALLY TAKES ABOUT TWO WEEKS.

IN THE FIRST FIVE DAYS OR SO EXPECT VERY THIN PIECES OF SKIN TO PEEL OR FLAKE OFF, THIS WILL BE NOT UNLIKE A SUNBURN. IF THIS CAUSES ITCHING. DO NOT SCRATCH! USE A LOTION.

DURING THE SECOND WEEK THE NEW SKIN MAY LOOK HAZY OR CRACKLY. THIS IS NORMAL.

CONSULT A HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONAL AT THE FIRST SIGN OF INFECTION, OR ALLERGIC REACTION. REPORT ANY DIAGNOSED INFECTION, ALLERGIC REACTION, OR ADVERSE REACTION, RESULTING FROM THE TATTOO APPLICATION TO THE ARTIST, STUDIO AND THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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