

ELM CITY TATTOO

Caring For Your New Tattoo

o An hour or two after getting your tattoo, remove plastic wrap and gently wash your tattoo with HOT water (start warm and turn up slowly) and anti-bacterial soap. Rinse with HOT water for 10 mins. Gently pat dry and apply PRIDE Tattoo Lotion or a very small amount of aquaphor leaving no sticky/glossy layer and apply new plastic wrap

o Keep tattoo wrapped for the first 3-4 days, removing wrap twice a day to gently wash and then re-apply PRIDE lotion or a tiny amount of aquaphor and fresh plastic wrap

o After this period, if using aquaphor, switch to a high-quality non-scented lotion (look for the dermatologist logo) or continue using PRIDE lotion. Apply a couple times daily for the rest of the healing. Again, be sure to wash the tattoo each time before the lotion is applied (generally twice a day will suffice)

o You may notice flaking or peeling (like you get after a sunburn but the skin flakes may contain ink) around this stage of the healing process – this is normal. Remember not to touch, pick or scratch at your new tattoo and avoid sun exposure/tanning. If you damage your new tattoo you risk scarring and will incur needless touch-up costs.

o Always wash hands thoroughly before handling your healing tattoo

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