## **Tattoo Aftercare**

The life of your tattoo is dependent upon the care it receives within the first few days. It takes about two weeks to heal and two more weeks to settle in.

- For taped tattoo bandage, leave on from 2 to 3 hours then remove
- For waterproof bandages, leave on from 8-24 hours depending on fluid build up.
- Gently wash the tattoo with cool soapy water- do not use loofah or washcloth.
- Rinse thoroughly
- Lightly pat dry with a clean towel
- With clean hands, apply a thin layer of tattoo aftercare ointment 2 or 3 times a day for 4 or 5 days
- After the 5th day, apply a thin layer of fragrance free lotion such as Lubriderm, Jergens or Eucerin 5 or 6 times a day for the entire healing process.

If a rash occurs (bumps on or around the tattoo as with an allergic reaction) or redness persists, discontinue use and call us for suggestions or product alternatives.

## When caring for your tattoo observe the following:

- DO NOT Re-bandage your tattoo
- DO NOT use Vaseline or Petroleum Jelly
- DO NOT use Alcohol or Peroxide
- DO NOT Pick or Scratch your tattoo
- DO NOT soak your tattoo in the tub or shower get in, get clean, get out!
- DO NOT expose your tattoo to direct sunlight and/or tanning beds
- STAY OUT of pools, hot tubs, oceans, etc. for two weeks or until the tattoo is fully healed.