AFTERCARE INSTRUCTIONS

IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO CARE FOR YOUR NEW TATTOO WHILE IT IS HEALING, LIMITING THE CHANCE OF CONTRACTING ANY FORM OF INFECTION, WHICH CAN LEAD TO A TROUBLED HEAL AND THE NEED FOR TOUCH UPS.

THE DAY OF:

·LEAVE THE BANDAGE ON THE TATTOOED AREA AS LONG AS POSSIBLE-MINIMUM 2-4 HOURS

*BEFORE YOU DO ANYTHING WITH YOUR TATTOO, WASH YOUR HANDS, WASH YOUR HANDS!!!

ONCE YOU HAVE REMOVED THE BANDAGE, WASH GENTLY AND THOROUGHLY WITH A MILD UNSCENTED SOAP (IE: DOVE, IVORY, PEARS) RINSE THE SOAP OFF THE TATTOO COMPLETELY, PREFERABLY IN THE SHOWER PAT DRY WITH A FRESH PAPER TOWEL. REPEAT THIS PROCEDURE BEFORE BED ON DAY 2 AS WELL

•NEVER RE-BANDAGE A TATTOO, EVER!! ASK FOR ADVICE IF YOU FEEL THERE IS NEED FOR ADDITIONAL PROTECTION IE: RISK OF EXPOSURE TO DUSTS/DIRT AT WORK ETC.

·FOR THE FIRST 2 DAYS FOLLOWING YOUR TATTOO APPOINTMENT KEEP IT CLEAN AND DRY. WASH THE TATTOO GENTLY AND THOROUGHLY 2-3 TIMES A DAY TO AVOID ANY LYMPHATIC FLUID DRYING ON THE SURFACE OF YOUR TATTOO

DO NOT APPLY ANY CREAMS OR LOTIONS TO YOUR NEW TATTOO FOR AT LEAST 5-7 DAYS, AS YOU RUN THE RISK OF CLOGGING THE PORES OF THE SKIN (PROMOTING INFECTION). ONCE THE TATTOO IS FAIRLY DRY AND STARTING TO ITCH, START APPLYING AN UNSCENTED NON-GREASY, NON-MEDICATED LOTION. ENSURE THE AREA IS COMPLETELY DRY BEFORE APPLYING ANY LOTION

•MOISTURIZING SHOULD SOOTHE AND ALLEVIATE ANY ITCH. IF THERE IS A BURNING OR OTHERWISE UNPLEASANT SENSATION, YOU ARE MOISTURIZING TOO SOON AND SHOULD LET THE TATTOO CONTINUE TO "DRY OUT". ALSO, IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOT OVER SATURATE WITH MOISTURIZER DO NOT SLATHER!!

·AFTER YOU SHOWER ALLOW THE TATTOO TO COMPLETELY DRY BEFORE COVERING IT WITH CLEAN CLOTHING. ALSO MAKE SURE IT IS DRY BEFORE APPLYING ANY LOTION

DO NOT SUBMERGE YOUR HEALING TATTOO, (IE; SWIMMING POOLS, BATHS, HOT TUBS, KOI PONDS, LAKES)

REFRAIN FROM DIRECT CONTACT OF PUBLIC AREAS. SAUNAS, TANNING BEDS, GYMS, CONTACT SPORTS, FOR INSTANCE, WILL ALL HAVE IMPACT

·KEEP YOUR TATTOO OUT OF DIRECT SUNLIGHT UNTIL IT IS FULLY HEALED. EVEN THEN TRY TO USE A MINIMUM OF SPF15 ON A HEALED TATTOO, AS THIS WILL GREATLY INCREASE THE TATTOO'S LONGEVITY; LOOKING AS GOOD AS THE DAY IT WAS COMPLETED

•DO NOT RUB, PICK, SLAP, OR SCRATCH YOUR HEALING TATTOO, AS THIS CAN OPEN THE DERMIS TO INFECTION. AFTER 5-10 DAYS IT SHOULD HAVE "FLAKED" ONCE AND THEN BE DERMALLY SEALED. YOUR TATTOO IS STILL HEALING INTERNALLY AND WILL BE DRY FOR A FEW WEEKS. MOISTURIZE AT WILL.

FILL A RUBBER WALRUS SUIT WITH IT AND GET IN...HELL, SWIM IN IT!
NOTE: IF YOUR TATTOO IS HOT, RED, IRRITATED, HARD TO THE TOUCH, OR IF IT
HAS ANY WHITE BUMPS AROUND THE TATTOOED AREA, DISCONTINUE
USE OF ANY CREAM OR LOTION AND CONSULT WITH YOUR TATTOOIST, UPON
WHICH YOU MAY BE ADVISED TO SEEK THE ADVICE OF A MEDICAL
PROFESSIONAL

 PLEASE CONSULT WITH YOUR TATTOOIST PRIOR TO SEEKING THE ADVICE OF OTHERS INCLUDING SKIN SPECIALISTS OR PHYSICIANS, HOWEVER

IF YOU ARE EXPERIENCING ACTUAL INFECTION SYMPTOMS IE. BRIGHT RED FRINGING ON THE EDGES OF THE TATTOO AFTER SEVERAL DAYS, PLEASE SEEK A PHYSICIANS ADVICE WITHIN 24 HOURS

DIRECT ALL ENQUIRIES TO ELEMENT⁶ PH # 905-439-0661 WE ARE ENTHUSIASTIC TO SEE HEALED WORK!!