

Cosmetic Tattooing Aftercare Information

Please read and keep this document!

The tattooed area may feel sore for a few hours after the numbing has worn off, but it's usually no worse than a graze. The lips and eyes can be a bit more sore and swollen. **Please only do what is applicable to the service you had.**

At first, the tattooing will look darker and bolder than the healed result - sometimes up to 50% darker/brighter. Please remember, the tattooing is done by hand, and can never be 100% perfect. During the healing process the colour will change - usually it will lighten, some can come off. Flakiness and gaps are completely normal and part of the healing process.

Brows: No water on areas for 8 - 10 DAYS

- **No cream** of any sort at all, unless Amanda has instructed otherwise.
- **Do not pick, scratch or wipe**, unless Amanda has instructed to wipe them. Touching your brows unnecessarily can pull colour out, or even cause scarring.
- Some hair strokes will shrink so the brow will look thinner/smaller, even lighter.

Eyes: No water on areas for 5 DAYS

- Apply a small amount of cream once a day as needed.
- **Do not pick at or scratch** the tattooing at all, or you can pull colour out and cause scarring.
- Do not wear eye makeup or cleanse your eyes for 5 days.
- The eyes are usually more swollen on the second day, and can look like you've had a good cry. The use of ice packs can help if necessary.

Lips: No water on areas for 5 DAYS - BUT FOR 3 HRS AFTER gently wipe **every 30min** with a wet cotton pad to remove any weeping.

- **Keep your lips dry and free of any creams** for the first two days. 48 hours after the procedure, you can apply a small amount of cream to help with dryness as needed.
- Stay away from **hot food and drinks** for the first two days.
- **Do not pick at or scratch your lips**, or you can pull colour out and cause scarring.
- Your lips will be swollen for up to two days. **The color will remain bright until it flakes off.**
- Once your lips have healed, you will need to apply cream or lip balm as needed for three weeks, to prevent dryness and flakiness.
- **If you have ever had a cold sore, please let Amanda know.**

For all tattooing: when you clean your face, wash around the tattooed area, being careful to get no water on the tattooing. No swimming, saunas, or exercise that causes sweating for 10 days after all tattooing.

Any areas that need fixing, whether due to shrinking, fading or loss of hair strokes, will be addressed at your touch up appointment. If after your touch up there are still areas you're concerned about, **please contact Amanda within three weeks after your appointment.**

Sun exposure and sun beds will fade all tattooing. Be careful with laser procedures on your face, creams with active ingredients, retin-a and chemical peels, as these can all fade the tattooing. Cosmetic tattooing will last differently on everyone; skin type, medication, health, tattoo pigment, smoking and sun exposure all come into it.

Please note, if you need to reschedule your touch up appointment, a fee may apply.

'COSMETIC TATTOOING IS LOW MAINTENANCE NOT NO MAINTENANCE'

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