# Eyeliner Tattoo Aftercare

Your goal is to keep the scabs on as long as possible by keeping them clean, dry, and lightly moisturized to stay flexible.



### Immediately After:

- The area will be swollen, feel a bit tender, and quite dark. In some cases bruising may occur.
- Sometimes the eyes can bruise even after the procedure. Do not worry, the bruising will go away within a few hours.
- We advise you to take an extra strength Advil and an Antihistamine immediately after to alleviate the swelling.
- You may apply ice (over a clean cloth) to further alleviate swelling. Do NOT apply ice directly on the eyelids.
- Before bedtime, gently rinse the eyes with water and pat dry.
- Remember to always wash your hands before touching the area

#### Day 2:

- When you wake up, it is normal for the eyes to be more swollen the morning after. Swelling should subside by the end of day 2. If you did not take an Antihistamine the day before and notice excessive swelling beyond your eyelids, you are having a histamine reaction and may take an Antihistamine to alleviate this problem.
- Gently rinse your eyes with water and pat dry in the morning and at bedtime. Please leave the area alone for the rest of the day.

#### Day 3-7:

- Continue to gently rinse your eyes with water and pat dry in the morning and at bedtime. Please leave the area alone for the rest of the day.
- If the area feels very dry by day 3 you can start applying a very thin layer of Aquaphor Healing Ointment. Do not apply too much to avoid adverse reactions. Blot excess off with a tissue if necessary. Always wash your hands before cleaning and applying ointment.

## NOT ALLOWED during the scabbing phase:

- AVOID exposure water and steam on the tattooed area especially sweat at tears. If your tattoo comes into contact with sweat or tears, please rinse immediately and pat dry.
- No makeup, creams, or applying anything on the area besides Aquaphor.
- Do not PEEL the scabs at all (you may cause scarring and pigment loss if otherwise).
- Avoid sun exposure.

# After Scabbing Phase:

- Once the scabs have fallen off, it means your skin as grown over and sealed in the pigment and you can go back to your normal routine.
- After scabbing, the pigment color will appear milky, faded and grey. Over the next several weeks, the pigment will slowly reappear and become more vibrant so please be patient.
- For 4 weeks after the procedure it is best to not use creams that contain acids or ingredients that will lighten or exfoliate the skin.
- The complete healing process takes about 6 weeks, at which time the true color of the tattoo is evident. It is only after 6 weeks that a touch-up/adjustment can be done. Any earlier can damage the skin and cause scarring.

**IMPORTANT:** Please note that your tattoo will be lighter and not as crisp after healed. Many factors during your procedure will contribute to how it will heal. These natural reactions during the procedure will cause more likeliness for a touchup:

- Excessive tear production during the procedure.
- Swelling (it is normal but for some, the swelling is excessive and we won't be able to implant as much pigment as we want).
- Twitching or squinching the eyes.
- Results will vary with each individual and are extremely dependent on the health of your skin and how you heal. Therefore, please understand that all services are paid per session and non-refundable. Like with any beauty treatments, it may take several sessions to achieve desired results.

# **Once Fully Healed:**

- Benzoyl Peroxide, Hydrogen Peroxide, Glycolic acid, Apple cider vinegar, Vitamin E and C, and retinols that can be found in Anti-aging / skin lightening/ skin brightening / acne products must be kept away from the tattooed area as continued use could deteriorate the pigment resulting in a bleached out color.
- Wear Sunscreen!!! Exposure to the sun over time can cause premature fading and discoloration of the pigment. You can wear large sunglasses and a hat for further protection.
- Rinse and dry the area thoroughly when in contact with chlorine or salt water.
- If you are having laser resurfacing or laser hair removal after your tattoo has healed, please inform the laser technician. Continue at your own discretion. Laser procedures may darken, lighten, or discolor the tattooed area.
- This treatment does fade after 2-5 years depending on your skin and lifestyle. Touch-ups will be necessary for maintenance.
- If you have oily skin, an iron deficiency, or a very strong immune system, your pigment will not last as long as others.
- Oily skin will not heal as crisp as dry skin.
- If you are trying to fix a tattoo done previously by another artist, the final results may not completely hide the previous work. You may need additional appointments to have better results.
- After your perfecting touch-up sessions,, try to wait at least one year before coming back for a touch-up. This will be better for your skin in the long run and avoid the risk of scarring.

\*\*Following these guidelines is extremely important for the healed results of your Cosmetic Tattoo. Please DO NOT use other products or follow other artists' aftercare instructions. Through extensive research and tests, these instructions will give you the best results!\*\*

Please email a selfie of your healed results to us at hello@studioartisphere.com! We would love to see how our work turned out and how we can improve your treatment at your touchup!