

Summer Time Tattoo Pre-Care

Why Necessary

- Exposure to UV Rays from the sun or tanning bed causes the blood vessels to dilate, skin to become less elastic.
- This affects your skin prior to getting your tattoo, rendering it difficult to get your tattoo, resulting in a reschedule.
- When skin is exposed to UV radiation, more melanin is produced, causing the skin to tan or burn. Those are signs that the skin has been damaged from UV radiation.
- Because of the dilation, it can cause issues with putting the tattoo pigment in, rendering a “washed, thin” application.
- Less elastic skin causes the needle to “tear” vs. “sink” into the skin, therefore affecting the line quality and saturation of your tattoo.

Pre-Care Instructions

- Apply a minimum of SPF 50 sunscreen, preferably with cocoa butter at least 2 to 3 weeks prior to getting your tattoo.
- Be sure to apply it where you plan on getting the tattoo and at least 3 inches outside of that.
- Keep in mind it's good for your skin in general, and can be done always.

Take Note

- Even if the area you plan on getting your tattoo isn't damaged from UV rays, if the skin around it is, the effect is the same due to the mechanics that occur within the layers of your skin. Your body is trying to heal and really works hard on the damaged area, therefore the surrounding areas as well.

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