



Laser Tattoo Removal Post Treatment Skin Care Instructions

You have been treated with the Palomar Q-Yag 5 laser. The treated area is very delicate and should be treated gently. An immediate post treatment application of an antibiotic ointment will be applied to the treated area. To prevent any complications, please follow these instructions:

- Keep the site moist with an antibiotic ointment (Bacitracin, Polysporin, Neosporin, or Mycitracin—all available over the counter) until the irritation subsides (generally 3-4 days.)
- Do NOT let the area dry out or scab. This is especially important during the first 48 hours.
- You may shower, but do not scrub the area until completely healed.
- Avoid scratching the area during the healing process.
- You may feel discomfort for the first 24 hours after your treatment. You may need a non-aspirin pain medication.
- The skin should heal normally in 10-14 days. Contact us immediately if you should have any concerns

The tattoo will look foggy, and begin its fading process over the next month. Fading is typically 20-50% with each treatment. The total fading process can take up to eight weeks. Green inks fade more slowly and may take up to 16 weeks to achieve maximum fading.