

GLOBE ♦ ELECTRIC

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BEFORE

If you have any questions about your design or would like to supply us with additional information about your project, please email your artist directly-

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If you must cancel or reschedule your appointment with at least 72 hours notice, you may contact us at the email addresses above. Otherwise, you should text your artist directly:

Susan Behney-Doyle: 540 809 4562
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Please be on time for your appointment. If you expect to be more than thirty minutes late, please text or call your artist at the number above. You should show up for your appointment well-rested and having eaten a decent meal within the last two hours. You should not drink alcohol on the day of your appointment and should not drink to excess on the day prior to your appointment. You should wear comfortable, inexpensive clothing that will allow easy access to the area that is being tattooed.

Feel free to bring any of the following to your appointment: iPad, iPod or similar device with headphones, sunglasses (bright lights will be pointed at you throughout the process), a small clean blanket or towel, an extra pillow, and/or a light jacket or zippered sweatshirt. It is a good idea to bring along a snack and/or beverage that is high in simple carbohydrates, especially if you are prone to fainting or nausea.

PLEASE DO NOT WEAR ANY COLOGNE, PERFUME, SCENTED LOTION, BODY SPRAY, OR ANY OTHER FRAGRANCE PRODUCT WHEN VISITING THE SHOP.

PLEASE DO NOT BRING ANY FRIENDS WITH YOU FOR YOUR APPOINTMENT. THEY WILL NOT BE ABLE TO SIT WITH YOU OR WAIT IN THE LOBBY WHILE YOUR WORK IS DONE.

We appreciate your cooperation.

DURING

Please have your phone set to silent while visiting the shop.

Please make us aware of any allergies or sensitivities that may impact your visit (e.g. latex, etc.)

Payment for each session is due at the end of your appointment. We accept cash, all major credit cards, Venmo, Zelle, ApplePay, and Paypal.

If you need to use the restroom, feel light-headed or nauseated, or have any other pressing issue related to your comfort while being tattooed, please let us know immediately.

AFTER

We have taken the utmost care to protect your health while tattooing you. During the healing process, that responsibility is yours. Please follow these instructions carefully and feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns during the healing process.

You will be provided with Cetaphil and Aquaphor before you leave the shop, so there is no need to purchase any ahead of time.

TRANSPARENT ADHESIVE BANDAGE INSTRUCTIONS:

This waterproof, adhesive bandage is designed to be used for up to a total of seven days, however, the bandage that we apply should be changed in 24 hours. We are happy to provide you with additional bandages for this purpose.

Removing the first bandage:

After washing your hands thoroughly with soap and warm water, find an edge of the bandage and pull it back over itself in the direction of your natural hair growth. Make sure you have loosened enough of the bandage to use as a comfortable handhold.

Warm/hot water will help loosen the adhesive and relax the skin, making the removal much more comfortable, so once you have loosened an edge to use as a handhold, the shower is the ideal place to remove the rest of the bandage. While pulling on the loosened edge until it is taut, aim the water at the exposed underside of your bandage where it meets your skin. Be patient and allow the hot water to loosen the adhesive. This can take some time to happen. A minute or more is not unusual.

After the bandage is removed and discarded, wash your tattoo with Cetaphil. Pat dry gently with a freshly laundered towel and allow to air dry for 5 - 10 minutes before applying the second bandage.

Applying additional bandages:

1. Wash your hands thoroughly with soap and warm water.
2. Cut and trim the bandage to fit your tattoo, making sure to leave a one inch margin on all sides.
3. Remove the white paper backing that covers the adhesive.
4. Place the bandage, adhesive side down, onto your tattoo. Press into place firmly.
5. Remove the top plastic covering. There are orange arrows indicating where you can easily separate the sections for removal.
6. Leave the second bandage on for 4-6 days.

7. Once you remove the second bandage, your tattoo will either be healed or very nearly so. If it is still flaking/peeling, wash 2-3 times per day with Cetaphil and apply a small amount of a mild moisturizer that is free of extra ingredients and fragrance (e.g. Curel)

NOTES:

For larger tattoos, it is much easier to apply multiple smaller bandages instead of one large piece. When doing so, each new piece should overlap the adjacent piece by approximately one inch.

If you experience excessive fluid build-up under the second bandage, you may remove it early and (if not in the peeling stage yet) apply a new one or revert to the second set of care instructions below.

Should you develop irritation around the edges of your bandage or simply grow tired of using this product, you should remove the bandage and revert to the second set of care instructions below.

Please contact us with any questions or concerns while healing.

PADDED ABSORBANT BANDAGE INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Remove bandage in 3-12 hours. (If you have been advised to rebandage your tattoo, see notes below).
2. Wash your tattoo 2-3 times per day. (see notes below)
3. After washing your tattoo apply a thin coat of ointment such as Aquaphor or Vitamin A&D. (see notes below)
4. After 3-5 days, your tattoo will begin to flake (similar to a healing sunburn). You can now substitute a mild moisturizer, such as Curel, for the ointment.
5. When the tattoo is no longer flaking, it is superficially healed. It is normal for the new skin to appear shiny and for the tattoo to have an artificial or "plastic" appearance. If you continue to use moisturizer, it will speed up the rest of the healing process. Over the course of 1-2 more weeks, the tattoo will begin to look like you were born with it.

Washing your tattoo:

Before washing your tattoo, make sure that you have thoroughly washed your hands with soap and warm water. Using your hands (not a washrag), wash the tattoo with warm water and Cetaphil. As you wash the tattoo, you will notice that it will transition from feeling somewhat slick to more of a "squeaky clean" feeling. At this point, you are finished washing it. Rinse off the tattoo well and pat it dry gently with a clean towel. You will not be able to get it completely dry, so let it air dry for a few minutes. You are now ready for ointment.

Applying ointment:

Once your tattoo is clean, use clean hands to apply a thin layer of Aquaphor or Vitamin A&D ointment to it. The ointment should be used sparingly and be gently rubbed into the skin like lotion. Remember that you are merely trying to avoid dryness, not achieve greasiness. Excessive amounts of ointment can clog pores and cause a rash. If you have difficulty getting the ointment on in a thin coat, a clean towel can be used to blot the excess ointment from the tattoo. Should a thick scab develop, we recommend using Vitamin E Oil on that area several times per day instead of ointment.

Rebandaging your healing tattoo:

1. A bandage should not be worn for more than 8 hours at a time. Your tattoo needs to "breathe" in order to heal properly.
2. Immediately before applying the bandage and immediately after removing the bandage, you must thoroughly wash your tattoo and apply the appropriate moisturizer.
3. We will provide bandages for you if they are required. Should you misplace them, use non-stick bandages as a substitute. Do not use gauze!
4. If you are wearing a bandage protect your tattoo from clothing-related damage (e.g. beneath a bra-strap or waistband) during the work day, please remove the bandages and change into loose fitting clothing once you get home.
5. When bandaging the tattoo, do not tape or wrap too tightly.

IF YOU SUSPECT THAT YOUR TATTOO HAS BECOME INFECTED OR THAT YOU ARE HAVING AN ALLERGIC REACTION:

Some degree of swelling, soreness, and redness is to be expected during the healing process, especially during the first few days. The development of a pronounced rash, excessive swelling, fever, chills, and/or the discharge of pus are all signs of possible infection. If you suspect that your tattoo has become infected or that you are having an allergic reaction to the pigment, please notify us and seek medical attention from a physician.