

# **Permanent Makeup FAQ:**

## **What are Freckle/Beauty Mark Applications?**

This is the process of infusing pigment into the skin to simulate the appearance of natural sun kissed freckles and/or beauty marks. The application is quick and a combination of natural brown pigments is used for the most natural effect.

It is considered a tattoo, and permanent makeup. Although it is considered permanent makeup, it fades over time. Touch Ups are suggested once a year in order to keep the color fresh and shape precise. \* IF you are a user of retinols, glycolic's, aha's, or any other similar acids/skincare - You must NOT use these on the "treated" area, both before & after that tattoo procedure.

Freckle application is meant to be a subtle natural enhancement. This service heals best on young, healthy, and dry/normal skin.

For very Oily skin and aging/thin skin, results will not heal as well and will need more touch-ups.

## **How Long is the Appointment?**

Please arrive to your appointment 10 minutes prior to your appointment. Each appointment is estimated to 1 hour - 1 hour and a half. Time is depending on how much treated area we are working with. This time includes the appointment from start to finish.

## **How Much Does it Cost?**

Freckle Application: \$100-\$200

Beauty Mark Application: \$50-75

## **What is your Cancellation Policy ?**

When you schedule an appointment, there is a non refundable deposit that has to be made in order to secure your appointment date & time.

If you need to reschedule and provide us with the required 48 hour notice or more, your deposit will be transferred ONCE and your appointment date and time will be rescheduled.

If you reschedule again for the second time, you will need to make a new non-refundable deposit. It is only transferable once.

If you need to reschedule your set appointment and don't provide the required notice time, when you do reschedule, you will need to make a new non-refundable deposit.

If you need to cancel your appointment, your deposit is non-refundable.

If you are an existing client and are coming in for an appointment, there is still a 48 hour notice or there will be \$65 added to your charge when we reschedule you. Thank you.

## **How long will semi permanent cosmetics last ?**

Cosmetic tattooing is designed to fade over time. Factors such as skin type, lifestyle, age, metabolism, medications, and pigment color affect the longevity of the tattoo. The sun and some kinds of lighting (tanning beds) can affect the rate at which these pigments are broken down. To take care of your skin, follow the aftercare instructions and touch-up every 12-18 months (as needed). Touch-ups are normal and expected for Permanent Cosmetics.

\*Please note that final results vary and CANNOT be guaranteed due to the nature of skin as it heals.

## **What will affect my color retention and lasting results ?**

- Oily Skin: Increased oil production can cause hair strokes to blur and heal lighter and powdery.
- Smoking: Smokers may notice that their Semi-Permanent Cosmetics will fade faster.
- Anemia and iron deficiency: Your body will absorb these iron based pigments more quickly.
- Sun exposure: Increased exposure to the sun will cause premature fading. You will want to use a special sunscreen for your Semi-Permanent Cosmetics; I recommend Color Guard. You can find it on Amazon.
- Age and metabolism. The Faster your metabolism the faster the pigment will fade.
- Bleeding during the procedure: Excessive bleeding during your procedure will greatly affect how your body retains pigment. While this is not entirely in our control, it is important that you follow before care instructions to help minimize bleeding. This includes avoiding blood thinning medications, alcohol, and caffeine 24 hours before your procedure.

## **Does it hurt ?**

Topical 5% Lidocaine is used to make you comfortable during your Semi-Permanent Cosmetic procedure, however pain tolerance varies from client to client. Having the procedure during your menstrual cycle may increase your sensitivity.

## **Non-Candidates for Semi-permanent makeup procedure:**

Pregnant/breastfeeding

Are currently using Accutane or have used Accutane within the past year

Have a freshly tanned/sunburned face

Are on blood thinning medications or antibiotics

Have Rosacea

Are currently undergoing cancer treatment

Must be off Chemo or Radiation for 6 months

## **How do I prepare before my appointment ?**

If you have reference pictures, please feel free to bring these to your appointment.

You must not use Retin-A near the desired area 2 weeks before or after the procedure.

No Botox, fillers, Microdermabrasion, chemical peels or anything of the like for at least 2 weeks prior to your procedure, and also two weeks after.

## **What do I expect once I leave my first appointment ?**

In the hours following your procedure, the treated area will appear much darker and bolder than it will heal due to oxidation in the surface layer of your skin. The pigment also could appear warmer in color in the beginning of the healing process. You may experience some redness or swelling around the treated area, this typically disappears within 48 hours.

Around day 3 you may notice some flaking or light scabbing on the treated area, DO NOT PICK AT IT, doing so can result in loss of pigment in those areas. You may notice that some areas may appear very light or even to have lost pigment entirely after they have peeled, the epidermis will be thicker causing muting, hiding or diffusing of pigment underneath. The epidermis will normalize over the next 4-6 weeks and softened pigment should appear more clearly on surface of the skin.