

Frequently Asked Questions

About Permanent makeup/Micropigmentation

- **What is Permanent makeup?**

Permanent makeup is a non-surgical micro-procedure known as Micropigmentation. Tiny droplets of color are skillfully deposited into the dermal layer of the skin. Our technician uses state of the art equipment designed specifically for use on the eyes and lips. The results are beautiful, immediate and permanent.

- **Is permanent cosmetic makeup a tattoo?**

Yes, permanent cosmetic makeup is a tattoo! High quality pigment is usually comprised of iron oxides, alcohol, glycerin and distilled water. They are made of cosmetic grade oxides, which is the same kind of oxides that are used in major cosmetic manufacturing companies. Iron oxides have been used for decades with little or no reaction to the skin.

- **Who benefits most from permanent makeup?**

People with: An active lifestyle ,Contact lenses ,Visual impairment ,Hay fever and watery eyes ,Little or no brow hair, Alopecia (absence of hair) ,Sparse or light lashes, Difficulty in makeup application, Unsteady or arthritic hands ,Allergies to conventional cosmetics ,Scars resulting from accidents or surgery .

- **Is Permanent Makeup safe?**

All of our procedures are performed with one-time disposable supplies . We follow very strict sanitation, sterilization and disposal guidelines required by the Center of Disease Control (CDC) and OSHA regulations.

- **Is infection possible?**

Even with a minor scratch infection is possible. However, there should be no major complications. You will be given instructions on how to care for your procedure following the service.

- **How long will the procedure take?**

Your service usually takes an hour or less depending on the area of application. A follow-up /touch-up session four to six weeks after, is included at no cost, and should take less time.

- **Does it hurt?**

We use a two-step topical numbing technique.. Before any procedure, a topical anesthetic is applied and allowed to set for approximately 10 to 15 minutes. Additional applications of topical anesthesia are applied during the treatment. Most clients remain very comfortable throughout the entire procedure. After the procedure is complete, most clients experience some redness and slight swelling of the treated area. This is temporary and usually subsides within a few hours for eyeliner and brows, and a day or two for lip procedures. Applying ice to the treated area will help reduce swelling and assist in the healing process.

- **What will I look like immediately following my procedure?**

It will appear much darker the day it is done. This darker color will remain for approximately 3-5 days while the wetting solutions that were mixed with the pigment are being absorbed leaving behind the pigment in its dry form.

- **Will the color fade?**

The first two weeks after a procedure is called the color stabilization time. The first few hours after a procedure, the color will darken as the swelling subsides. In three to seven days, the epidermal (outer) layer of skin will gradually peel or flake off as the new layer re-grows. Some of the color will come off with this layer. Allow a 10% to 50% fade during this time. Your color will soften with time. Using total sun block and avoiding tanning beds and chlorinated water will help prolong the duration of your color.

- **How long will it last?**

This varies with each individual, though the usual duration is between two to five years. Proper after-care of the treated area will help prolong the results such as using sunscreen and avoiding tanning beds and chlorinated water.

- **Is it expensive?**

It is comparable to what many spend on hair styling, coloring and perming. Consider that your permanent makeup will last for several years before a touch-up is needed. The convenience and the beauty far outweigh the cost.