

TAPE HAIR AFTERCARE ADVICE

RECOMMENDED AFTER CARE PRODUCTS:

- Professional Shampoo and Conditioner formulated for colour treated hair (no glycerine, silicones, sulphates or dandruff shampoos).
- Use Conditioner from mid-shaft to ends only, avoiding the tapeline completely.
- Professional Leave-In Conditioner can also be used from mid-shaft to ends only (no glycerine, silicones, oils, heavy emollients).
- Marrakesh Oil – Argan/Hempseed Oil Blend (very reparative and healing – penetrates the cuticle of the hair. Repairing from the inside out – easily absorbed, leaving no oily build-up on the hair) use only from mid-shaft to ends.
- Removal Solution to soak attachment points. Rub gently and separate tape at the end of a tail comb until extension loosens sufficiently to slide out with gentle pressure.

RE-TAPING TAPE EXTENSIONS:

1. Wash and condition the strands with a Professional Shampoo and Conditioner for colour treated hair (when conditioning, apply conditioner from mid-shaft down only, avoiding the tape, and rinse well). Then, thoroughly dry the strands paying particular attention to the tape.
2. Remove the old tape from the strands exposing the clean polyurethane (this is much easier to do when the strands are clean and dry). Apply the tape remover solution on and rub around the tape to help it loosen. Simply peel the tape apart. (Make sure all left over residue must be removed before applying new tape)
3. Lay the strands out flatly on a smooth surface ready for re-taping. Simply peel a Re-taping tab from the package and adhere firmly to the clean polyurethane tape hair.
4. Press very firmly into place to ensure secure adhesion and follow exactly how you first installed.

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Washing and Conditioning Tape-In Hair Extensions: Washing and Conditioning Tape-In Hair Extensions: Immediately prior to washing, brush out hair with Loop Brush or detangle brush. Before shampooing, always apply a little conditioner to the ends of the hair first, and then apply shampoo (this helps to avoid any tangling of the extensions). Use only professional products, a shampoo formulated for colour treated hair that does not contain any glycerin, silicone, etc. – no dandruff shampoos containing sulfur. Keeping the hair flowing in a downward direction, gently lather, then rinse thoroughly. Repeat if necessary.

A high quality professional conditioner is important. Remember, do not use any product that contains oil or silicone, etc. Apply the conditioner to the ends of the hair first and then work your way upwards. Do not apply directly onto the attachment sites. Rinse thoroughly, then use a soft towel to absorb the excess water and blot firmly, never rub. Wrap the hair with a towel (with hair flowing downward) to absorb moisture. Moisture left around the attachment sites can cause the strands to release.

Detangling and Combing the Hair: Spray on a professional leave-in conditioner (one that does not contain oil, waxes, glycerin, silicone, etc.) at the ends of the hair and work upwards to mid-shaft only. Avoid attachment areas. Very gently with the brush, begin to detangle from the ends upwards. It is a good idea to hold the extensions at the attachment sites so that there is no tugging.

Styling the Hair:

The best way to keep the hair healthy and shiny is to blow dry immediately after washing, using only moderate heat on a low power setting. Allowing the attachment sites to air dry will permit moisture to remain in the

bonded area and cause premature detachment. Once the attachment sites and hair are completely dry, you can use a flat iron or curling iron on a moderate heat setting. It is always recommended to use a professional thermal hair protector on the extensions as well as the client's natural hair to preserve the integrity of the REMOVAL OF TAPE EXTENSIONS: extensions. Be careful never to let any hot tool come in contact with the attachment sites, as it will melt the bond and allow the extension to slip. Other professional styling products such as hairspray, mousse and gels may be used as long as they do not contain any silicone, oils, etc. Shine serums, styling pomades and waxes must be used sparingly and from mid-shaft down only, as they can travel up the hair shaft to shorten the life of the extension installation.

Do not wash hair for at least two days after installation (preferably, hair should only be washed 1 -2 times per week for an optimum longevity of the installation). The adhesive at the attachment sites must have time to set before getting wet. It is emphasized that you take special care of lengthened hair. Before going to bed, working out, swimming or engaging in any physical activity. It is recommended that you pull hair back with a soft, covered elastic band. Putting the hair into a soft braid also helps to keep it from tangling. Gently unravel the braid or the ponytail with your fingers when it comes time to release, then brush with the Loop Brush from the nape up, row by row. Holding the extensions at the attachment sites to avoid tugging. Do this thoroughly once a day to brush away any product build-up or natural hair fall-out. When swimming, to maintain the brilliance of hair colour, as well as to avoid the deterioration of the attachment, do not submerge head unless the hair is protected by a bathing cap. Chlorine and salt water dries out the adhesive, as well as the hair and can cause excessive tangling or premature detachment of the bond. Always remember that extension hair dries out much more quickly than natural hair, as it does not receive the natural oils from the scalp.

Never do an installation on the day of a chemical treatment, as the chemicals cause the cuticle of the hair to swell, and it is not optimum to install extensions when the cuticle is swollen. Wait for one week so the cuticle has time to go back to normal then proceed with the installation service. Installation can only be done by a professional on VERY WELL CLARIFIED hair. As it is extremely important that the tape is allowed to adhere to itself, putting too much hair in between the two attachment sites will hinder this process. Only a very small amount of natural hair is necessary to hold the extensions in place. These steps will ensure success.