

Doll Head Care and Maintenance

Dear Future Professional,

Your kit includes one of the finest doll heads available made from human hair. To maintain and prolong your doll head's use, you must follow the care instructions included.

Remember that because your doll head is made from real hair, you must treat it accordingly. Please find a complete list of care instructions. Follow these instructions to extend the lifetime of your doll head while in school.

Treat your doll head as a piece of art that reflects your learning, inspiration, skill, and art. Never stuff a doll head in a bag, kit, or locker when it is still wet. You wouldn't send a service guest out of the salon with wet hair, and if you did, you certainly wouldn't put a bag over his or her head. Always thoroughly rinse and gently dry your doll head's hair. Treat your doll head as you would a service guest, or as you would your own hair, and it will continue to look great. Unlike a service guest, your doll head can't express when its scalp is burning because you failed to rinse out all of the processing lotion. Your doll head can't talk back to you, which is both good and bad; it means you must think for it and take extra care of it.

Follow the instructions below and your doll head will continue to look great and remain easy to work with during your education. Please be warned that if you do not follow these instructions, your doll head will more than likely end up with nasty matting and the worst dreadlocks imaginable (not the cool ones), which will make it impossible to work with. An unhappy doll head is like an unhappy service guest.

After using **any** product, chemicals, coloring, or processing cream on the doll head, always follow these four simple steps:

- ❶ **Soak the doll head's hair in warm water. (Using hot or cold water may cause the hair to mat or tangle.)**
- ❷ **Shampoo and rinse the hair.**
- ❸ **Add conditioner and rinse the hair.**
- ❹ **Dry the hair.**

Please follow these techniques when shampooing and drying the doll head:

- When shampooing/conditioning, gently work the product through the hair from the base to the ends. (Do not rub or twist the hair as this may cause the hair to mat or tangle.) Then, rinse the hair in lukewarm, clean water.
- ***Gently blot the excess water with a towel. (Never rub!)***
- Comb through the hair gently, section by section, from the base, working to the ends.
- If the hair becomes badly tangled, allow the hair to dry thoroughly, then comb it gently; or soak the hair with warm water and conditioner, then shampoo and comb it from the base to the ends.
- ***Very important:*** Ensure the hair is completely dry after use. The doll head must be completely dry before storing it in a doll head bag. An unpleasant odor, tangling, or matting may result if the hair is wet or after failure to completely wash out any product from the hair before the next use.

Warning:

- ❶ When using bleach or lightener, the hair may discolor or become excessively damaged due to the hair being previously processed.
- ❷ Apply the bleaching lotion or color according to the usage directions. Excessive usage may damage the hair and cause it to mat or tangle. Rinse the hair thoroughly before proceeding to the next application.
- ❸ Dilute waving lotion slightly more than for use with a human head. Full-strength waving lotion may cause the hair to mat or tangle.
- ❹ When using electrical appliances, avoid temperatures that exceed 300 degrees Fahrenheit.

Thank you on behalf of your school, your doll head, and The Source, for following these proper care instructions.