

LASER HAIR REDUCTION

Pre:

- Avoid the sun for 4-6 weeks before and after the treatment
- Avoid electrolysis, tweezing, and/or waxing for 6 weeks prior to treatment
- If you have a history of herpes, prophylactic antiviral therapy must be started the day before treatment and continued one week after treatment.
- The use of tanning creams, tanning beds, or bronzers must be discontinued before and during treatments.

Post:

- Immediately after treatment there may be erythema (redness) and edema (swelling) at the treatment site. This usually lasts 2 hours or longer. The erythema may last up to 10 days. The treatment area may feel like a sunburn for a few hours after the treatment, but it will subside.
- Apply cold compress as needed.
- ▶ Hydrocortisone may be used for 3 5 days post treatment.
- No heat, such as saunas, steam rooms, Jacuzzis, extremely hot showers, or strenuous activities. No prolonged heat for a minimum of 48 hours post treatment.
- Avoid sun exposure to avoid hypo-pigmentation and hyper-pigmentation.
- Avoid picking or scratching the treated areas. Please do not use any hair removal products or similar treatments (i.e. electrolysis, tweezing, and/or waxing). Those will disturb the hair follicle. Shaving is permitted.
- ▶ Up to 2 weeks post treatment you will notice shedding of the treated hair. This is not new growth. You can clean and remove the hair by washing or wiping the area with a wet cloth.
- ▶ Treat your skin gently for at least 24 hours after your treatment.