

## Tips for Skin Picking Disorder &



Ingrown Hairs can be a result of hair removal such as shaving or tweezing. The removed hair grows back into the skin, causing bumps, inflammation, itchiness & pain.



Strugglers of Dermatillomania can find ingrown hairs to be a big picking trigger. When excessively picked and scratched, ingrown hairs can develop infections, scarring & hyperpigmentation. Check out our tips on preventing & managing them.

## **Ingrown Hair Prevention**

Exfoliate with shower gloves, a washcloth or an exfoliating cloth before you shave to help with bumps & ingrown hairs



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Having dermatillomania be like "I don't know if it's a scab, zit, ingrown hair, or scar tissue, but I do know I gotta pick at it. But why? Gotta (4) (1)

Try: <u>Salux Exfoliating</u> Nylon Wash Cloth

- Dry brush before shaving
- 🖒 Choose a <u>moisturizing</u> shave cream
  - Try: Aveeno Therapeutic Shave Gel with soothing Avena Sativa
    (Oat) Kernel Flour
  - After shaving, apply a <u>soothing moisturizer</u> to keep skin hydrated
  - Apply an aftershave to help with bumps
    - Try: Tend Skin Razor Bump Solution



Try: Fur Oil for sensitive areas or Topicals High Roller Serum for a hands-free option with softening, exfoliating ingredients like Niacinamide & Salicylic Acid



## Ingrown Hair Picking Management

Do you use your phone flashlight to get a closer look at your pores? Place Gaff Tape over your flashlight to minimize use. Gaff tape is cloth-based & leaves no residue



- If you're a tool user, try placing them in a bowl of water & putting in the freezer to help encourage the picking urge to pass
- To keep your fingers from wandering, wear tight, covering clothing such as turtle necks, gloves & leggings
- Feel triggered to pick in the bathroom? Use a timer or your phone to keep your bathroom time accountable
- Dim or put up string lights in the bathroom to lessen visibility