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Subject: Re: Stop stealing our Fucking sign!!!  
Posted by [DarkKnight](#) on Thu, 22 Feb 2007 03:39:48 GMT  
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Jerad Gray wrote on Wed, 21 February 2007 14:48: Even after that extensive list of city's & places (there were a few mountains), "Fucking" is clearly the worst. I would almost suggest changing the city's name to Focko or Focko's Land (sounds like a amusement park so maybe not) or anything else pretty much (if it sounds like your insulting your city when talking about it in the paper, or it confuses residents when you curse or swear, a name change is probably needed).

Unless in their city they don't see it as offensive.

<http://www.answers.com/topic/fucking-austria>

Quote:

Fucking, Austria

The most frequently stolen [1] traffic sign in Austria, at the entrance to the village of Fucking.

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Fucking

This article refers to the Austrian village; for other meanings, see Fuck.

settlement (population c. 150), part of the municipality of Tarsdorf [2], in the Innviertel region of

is near the city of Salzburg. The village is known to have existed as "Fucking" since at least 1070 and is named after a man from the 6th century called Focko. "Ing" is an old Germanic suffix meaning "people"; thus Fucking, in this case, means "place of Focko's people". [4]

The settlement's most famous feature is a traffic sign with its name on it beside which English-speaking tourists often stop to have their photograph taken. The sign is the most commonly stolen street sign in Austria.[5] Significant amounts of public funds are spent on replacing the stolen signs. In August 2005 the road signs were replaced with theft-proof signs welded to steel and secured in concrete to make the signs harder to take. [6]

In 2004, owing to the stolen signs and embarrassment over the name, a vote was held on changing the name, but the town's residents voted against doing so.

Coincidentally there are two small municipalities just over the border in Bavaria, Germany called Petting and Kissing.