
Subject: Annoyed

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Today, I had to grant a temporary ban to 3 different persons and I'm annoyed by this because all 3 are regular visitors of these forums. Contrary to what some of you may believe, I don't like banning people, I certainly don't get any satisfaction out of it and it takes me time to update my moderating log each time...

When you're a regular forum visitor, someone who visits us daily and contributes regularly to different topics, I assume that you at least care a minimum about these forums. Why else would you want to visit it? I expect people who care a minimum to try and set an example, try to follow the minimum guidelines that we call rules here (it's really nothing more than a minimum of common sense / etiquette) and show that we're not a bunch of 5 year olds all together.

Here: I'll post them again:

Quote:These are the new rules that all of you have helped us finish up. Please take the time to read them, and don't forget to have fun!

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Signatures: These should be nothing more than a small image and few lines of text. Once signatures start getting larger than 8-10 lines of text in size (approximately 450*150 pixels), it distracts from the actual post. The purpose of a forum is to read what other people have to say, not to look at the "pretty pictures" in their signature. The file size of signature should also not exceed 512Kb. If you think that this is too large, you can choose to hide signatures in the Control Panel. Administrators and Moderators reserve the right to restrict your access to the "signatures" feature if you abuse the privilege by using it to violate any of the forum rules.

Images: When posting images in the forum, try to keep their size below 1024*768 pixels. This is to avoid screen stretching, as well as loading several large images each time you try to read a thread. Use thumbnails or links if possible.

Swearing: We will not be censoring any "bad words" here. But please still keep it within reason, and use the Hot Issues forum for anything too intense.

Moderators: Respect the decisions of the moderators, they hold that position for good reason. If you have any serious complaints, contact Crimson or Blazer privately. Do not start a public bash-fest against a moderator you don't agree with.

Also keep in mind that you are not a moderator. You do not decide when threads are locked, posts are deleted, etc., and therefore should not post as such in threads. The "Report Message" and Private Message features are there for a reason.

Harassment/Racism/Flaming: Harassment of other members, racism, or any hate speech in general will not be tolerated. Moderators will be the judge of what is intolerable, and what is not. Also, please refrain from flaming other members. If you really must, keep it inside of the Hot Issues forum.

Spelling/Grammar: This is a gaming forum, not literature. Keep the urge to correct to yourself. If it pains you so much to see someone misspell a word, miss a comma, etc., give them lessons in private because we don't want to see it on the forums. However, we would appreciate it if everyone's post was at least legible.

Flooding/Spam: Posting IS throttled here, there is a variable second wait period between each post. Spam threads/posts will be moved to the Silo. Creating duplicate threads in the same or different forums, and the spamming of useless images or image macros in threads will not be acceptable.

Warez: This is a warez-free forum, and supports legitimate ownership of all games, software, music, movies, etc. Do not come here looking for CD/DVD images, serials, or any other form of warez.

Cheats/Hacks: This forum fully supports RenGuard along with other anti-cheat solutions. With that said, the posting or advertising of cheats will not be tolerated in any way imaginable.

Explicit Content: This is a free public forum, therefore please use discretion when posting images or links. Nudity, extreme gore/violence, or other content of this nature is not permitted.

General Complaints/Problems: If you happen to have a problem with a member of these forums, or with how these forums are managed, feel free to contact any member of the administration and we will work to solve it as quickly and efficiently as possible.

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These Rules of Conduct have been agreed upon by the administration, and are subject to change at any time. Any changes made or required due to an unanticipated action by a forum member may be acted upon immediately and without warning at the discretion of the Administration.

Please also remember that you can help the moderators by reporting messages through the "Report message to a moderator" - function.

When you're getting provoked, by all means use the report function and ignore the provocation. We'll deal with it when/if we deem it necessary. If you join the flame fest, you'll just get the same treatment as the person who started the flame fest.

Finally a message to the people who seem to come here just to cause trouble. Please, stop wasting your and my time. Go read a book or something.

Thanks for reading.
