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Thread: [Paypal Holders Disallowed](#)

Omniscient - January 17, 2014, 6:24 pm

Wording has been added to the Disallowed Blackhat Activity help doc.

Paypal Holders - We consider this financial fraud and a huge risk to our members. Anyone using this type of service or offering it to members will have their accounts immediately closed.

This ends now. I'm tired of this becoming an avenue for members to be ripped off. If you can't get your own PP account then go use Bitcoins. You have no excuse other than you're a scamming scumbag to use a PP holder. To those offering the service. Stop immediately. I find out your doing this and involved in our Marketplace and I close your account too.

Done.

Sir - January 17, 2014, 6:26 pm

It's about time something was done about this. This has probably lead to more off + on-site scams than anything else.

Kangaroo?? - January 17, 2014, 6:27 pm

Thank you Omni, I see so many people get scammed because of this.

?Jeff ?The ?Killer - January 17, 2014, 6:28 pm

Very straight forward announcement, hope people understand this.

Superstition - January 17, 2014, 6:29 pm

Finally, its over! I was sick of seeing these "PayPal holder needed" threads then seeing the members scammed. IMO, it is money laundering as well!

Weebex - January 17, 2014, 6:30 pm

Thanks Omni! Finally it gets settled once in for all! Bitcoins is rising fast (popularity) if no one can get a PP account :D

Shoppa - January 17, 2014, 6:30 pm

Hopefully this will decrease some scamming.

Grand Pootis - January 17, 2014, 6:30 pm

(Jan 17, 2014 07:28 PM)?Jeff ?The ?Killer Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Very straight forward announcement, hope people understand this.

Very straight forward asskissing. Hope you get the award

RDCA - January 17, 2014, 6:30 pm

I've seen so many deal disputes and problems with PayPal holder's and their partners it is not even funny. Glad to see this happen.

xhflhkeuhwguu34 - January 17, 2014, 6:33 pm

Junked my thread. Sad to see this but I suppose it's time.

prodigyhf - January 17, 2014, 6:34 pm

BANG BANG NIGGAS. DUH BOSS HAZ SPOKEN.

thx 4 head sup omni1.

Herbo - January 17, 2014, 6:34 pm

I can see why you did this, this has its advantages both ways!

HostSlayer - January 17, 2014, 6:35 pm

Well good update this should end some of the scams. Hopefully more things in the future will come to add even extra strength against scams.

Nas - January 17, 2014, 6:35 pm

Now all the kids who are begging for paypal holders can fuck off! ?

Great rule Omni.

Borzoi - January 17, 2014, 6:36 pm

Nice idea Omni :)

Hopefully now less scam reports will be opened.

Kosmos - January 17, 2014, 6:37 pm

I am looking forward to more and more policy changes regarding the marketplace. It's nice to see measures put into place to prevent scamming and fraud.

Chills - January 17, 2014, 6:39 pm

I think omni's threads are the one and onl threads that don't get 90% negative responses

wellager - January 17, 2014, 6:44 pm

Finally ! It was about time this was disallowed looking at the number of members getting in astronomic debt.

ViN - January 17, 2014, 6:46 pm

Not shocked this rule has been implemented considering the slightest discussion of fraud is disallowed.

~Tom~ - January 17, 2014, 6:46 pm

Well all booter owners are fucked lol.

Superstition - January 17, 2014, 6:50 pm

(Jan 17, 2014 07:46 PM)~Tom~ Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Well all booter owners are fucked lol.

This is also a good thing! Not like we need those anyways!

Soccer - January 17, 2014, 6:50 pm

Wow, this came out of no where. Thanks for the update Omni.

vitafortis - January 17, 2014, 6:53 pm

Glad to see this. Many people I talk to get scammed from holders, and get their legit PP's closed for disallowed activity, such as Stressors. Glad to see you're taking a good stand Omni.

Loomaanaatii - January 17, 2014, 6:54 pm

Thanks so much for doing this omni. I appreciate it.

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Off topic. Does this include middle manning? If it does, this wouldn't affect me, but it's just good to know.

Thanks's Omni :)

MysticParadox - January 17, 2014, 6:54 pm

I like this rule. I was scammed for about \$1.2k 6 months ago due to Paypal holding and my stupidity.

Malevolent - January 17, 2014, 6:57 pm

I'm very happy to see this, especially with all of the holder drama of late.

Fail Care - January 17, 2014, 6:58 pm

I would just lock this thread,

Members are just going to lick the shit out of your ass willingly and kiss it in here if it is able to be posted in

Br?ndon - January 17, 2014, 6:58 pm

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I highly doubt Middle Manning would ever be made against the rules. It helps so much.

Bush - January 17, 2014, 6:58 pm

Umm can we do this privately like on pms and skype?

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Is offering service banned or using of paypal holders is banned?

ddol - January 17, 2014, 6:59 pm

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MMing may just be part of this rule, not even sure. Omni can you clarify this?

VRUMM - January 17, 2014, 6:59 pm

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According to the ot, you get permanently banned if you offer it or use it.

If you don't want to get banned, don't get involved in the marketplace with a pp holder

Quote:I find out your doing this and involved in our Marketplace and I close your account too.

~Tom~ - January 17, 2014, 7:03 pm

May I ask how you determined this, one of your many ways would be great as an example ?

googlethatt - January 17, 2014, 7:05 pm

The amount of people that dont have there own pp nowdays !!

Carl Elias - January 17, 2014, 7:06 pm

I am kind of happy this is done. I was getting tired of seeing so many PP holding threads then people complaining about losing money...

Good call Omni!

-Ty

Canada - January 17, 2014, 7:06 pm

Glad to see this implemented. Saw the holders run off with the money too many times. Hopefully people can just learn how to properly make their own account or use other financial avenues to do business.

King of Hearts - January 17, 2014, 7:07 pm

Is having a buyer pay to Middleman via PP for a product and then having middleman send money to seller via BTC after seller send the product to buyer allowed? (EDIT: Because seller doesn't have PP).

NervyGunSage - January 17, 2014, 7:08 pm

Hopefully the scam rate goes down a bit but something needs to be done by some of the btc sales ?

Gustav. - January 17, 2014, 7:09 pm

Thank you for the announcement Omni.

VRUMM - January 17, 2014, 7:11 pm

(Jan 17, 2014 08:07 PM)King of Hearts Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Is having a buyer pay to Middleman via PP and then having middleman send money to seller via BTC allowed?

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Kangaroo?? - January 17, 2014, 7:12 pm

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King of Hearts - January 17, 2014, 7:12 pm

(Jan 17, 2014 08:12 PM)Kangaroo?? Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Because then the seller can't be charged back on?

Because the seller doesn't have PP.

Vince - January 17, 2014, 7:15 pm

Awesome, that much closer to eliminating the majority of the scammers from the HF marketplace. Nice to see you putting your foot down.

VRUMM - January 17, 2014, 7:16 pm

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Buyer gets the product the seller is selling....

The Chemist - January 17, 2014, 7:17 pm

Thanks omni, was getting sick of scammers.

VRUMM - January 17, 2014, 7:18 pm

(Jan 17, 2014 08:17 PM)King of Hearts Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Buyer gets the product the seller is selling....
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Mohatu - January 17, 2014, 7:18 pm

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The smart exchangers will take the non-reversible currency, wait for the paypal to be sent to the other person, then send the non-reversible currency to the person who sent the paypal.
Chargebacks are not a middle man's problem.

King of Hearts - January 17, 2014, 7:21 pm

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It's like PP holding except termed differently (and thus a gray area)....And a lot of idiots accepted paypal holding.

takedown. - January 17, 2014, 7:23 pm

Actually im using my own PayPal account.

Im sure this rule will help alot members from being scammed.

-Regards

VRUMM - January 17, 2014, 7:23 pm

(Jan 17, 2014 08:21 PM)King of Hearts Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) It's like PP holding except termed differently (and thus a gray area)....And a lot of idiots accepted paypal holding.

It is not PP holding, and is more like an exchange, since the one in the middle will have to convert the pp received to bitcoin, so he can send it to the seller.

King of Hearts - January 17, 2014, 7:25 pm

(Jan 17, 2014 08:22 PM)Sh1eld Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I don't think the other guy is using the correct term for this role.

It isn't middle manning. It is more like a currency exchanger to me because if buyer chargebacks, the middle guy loses his money and his bitcoin.

You both didn't understand me.

Suppose, I have a crypter I'd like to sell. However, I don't have paypal and thus my customer base is much smaller. Can I hire someone to accept the paypal from buyer, send the crypter to buyer, and then send (the money - a percent) to me?

It's like a middleman except the middleman changes currency between the seller and buyer. E.g a combination of middleman and currency exchanger.

Lavish Living - January 17, 2014, 7:27 pm

this will decrease sales alot too for those legit sellers who could not use paypal, but nonetheless good job on trying to lessen the scams

Omniscient - January 17, 2014, 7:28 pm

A middleman is typically someone acting as an escrow service who's willing to take the risk and manage a deal to ensure it's valid. A middleman often offers guarantees to parties involved in a deal. That's sort of why they exist. A middleman can accept many forms of payment not just PP. As a matter of good escrow a MM should use BTC if they truly want to facilitate a safe deal. When using a MM service both parties should be notified.

A PP holder is someone that accepts payments for someone else via PP. Often those involved in deals are not told they are paying a "holder". People who use holders are often people that either don't want to risk their own account but usually are people that PP doesn't allow to have an account. Holders are becoming a serious problem in this community where those looking for a "holder" that takes PP then pays them in BTC. This sets up the holder to get ripped off in deals while the other guy keeps the BTC and opens a new account to rinse and repeat. PP holders themselves should not be trusted. Someone can hold your money then tell you they got scammed or their account limited which may or may not be true. Or they could simply not give you the money and laugh at your stupidity.

In any case I'm viewing PP Holders as a form of financial fraud and a threat to the communities safety in the Marketplace. It will no longer be allowed. That does include offering to be one or if you're looking to get one. And you do what you want off-site but if I catch you doing this in HF deals I just close your account instantly and without care.

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No. You're using a PP Holder in that case. Unacceptable. If you don't have PP then you tell your customers to send BTC.

lucky. - January 17, 2014, 7:29 pm

This should be helpful with the scamming, I think it is a good over bad addition to the rules.

Oldwarrior hackz - January 17, 2014, 7:31 pm

Thanks for your great service Omni sir , love to be to here

Omniscient - January 17, 2014, 7:31 pm

Quote:this will decrease sales alot too for those legit sellers who could not use paypal
It should increase LEGIT sales by forcing more secure methods like aren't reversible like BTC. This might cause more exchanging though and adoption of BTC. This will definitely lower the rate of scamming.

If you are not using BTC then you should be. Not just because you don't have a PP account but because it's a growing form of secure payment online that solves many problems.

1. All BTC transactions are recorded publicly.
2. BTC transactions are NOT reversible.
3. You can obtain BTC through a variety of legit exchanges.
4. You can cash out BTC into other currency through many exchanges.

So get off your ass and get some BTC/LTC.

Vaper - January 17, 2014, 7:32 pm

Putting the hammer down. I like that.

VRUMM - January 17, 2014, 7:33 pm

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OldFag - January 17, 2014, 7:35 pm

Personally I have never offered such service but I can see people still doing this.

I feel like alot of exchange will drop because of this.

And regardless of website people are still gonna do it.

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Thornzzz - January 17, 2014, 7:39 pm

Glad to see you doing this, wise choice.

RDCA - January 17, 2014, 7:45 pm

Another nice effect of this is it will undoubtedly promote BTC in the markets here on HF as well as the actual BTC market. The more sellers promote it, the more people will use it.

Omniscient - January 17, 2014, 7:49 pm

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Groceph_Dirt - January 17, 2014, 7:49 pm

The whole thought of needing a paypal holder is sketchy. I feel like you could put whatever reason you wanted to it, and still its a terrible idea. To hold money or leave money in someone other than your self's care is irresponsible.
glad to see the change?

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Is this your day of endorsing BTC?

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Industry - January 17, 2014, 7:53 pm

Good move Omni. I was banned from PayPal on both of my accounts and I'm not afraid to admit it. I didn't go out of my way to make a 3rd, 4th, 50th account because I acknowledged I was wrong and moved on.

Liberty Reserve was my second processor, now it's BTC. People need to learn to adapt to change, and not use run around's or loopholes to continue using PayPal's service (such as a PP holder). And cheer up man, you just cut the marketplace BS down by a whole half, maybe even more. That's worthy of a moderately warm ale, or a frosty cold beer. Which ever you decide ?

Crake - January 17, 2014, 7:53 pm

THANK YOU. A bit overly-strongly worded in my opinion, but this needed to be said for quite a while.

Agent Shark - January 17, 2014, 7:54 pm

If you can't get your own PayPal, don't offer PayPal. Simple. Glad to see this implemented.

Kirian - January 17, 2014, 7:56 pm

It's probably for the best. Stops people from getting scammed and limited.

Loomaanaatii - January 17, 2014, 8:08 pm

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No. You're using a PP Holder in that case. Unacceptable. If you don't have PP then you tell your customers to send BTC.

Glad that was sorted out thanks Omni. I get it now.

RDCA - January 17, 2014, 8:10 pm

(Jan 17, 2014 08:49 PM)Omniscient Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) The more BTC that's used here the safer the community will be and the easier transactions will be. For everyone.

Yea, it is about time something puts a little heat on PP. I wonder what the future holds for BTC. Though, this is the point where businesses of the future are made.

Anyway, a bit more on topic, this should cause some structure changes in the marketplace which will be interesting. Surely some big sellers will have their income cut until they make it back up with sells in BTC.

Raptor. - January 17, 2014, 8:12 pm

This was definitely needed in my eyes. Hopefully this lowers the level of scams and other undesirable activity taking place.

Omniscient - January 17, 2014, 8:14 pm

If a major US retailer like Overstock.com can begin accepting BTC then so can HF retailers and marketplace members.

justinis - January 17, 2014, 8:14 pm

About time... Got scammed BIG time with this. :/

Raptor. - January 17, 2014, 8:16 pm

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plaaggeest - January 17, 2014, 8:16 pm

Time to restore some faith in humanity

Sexy??? - January 17, 2014, 8:18 pm

I've seen a bunch of people lose money and Paypal balance from this, thanks for ruling it.

Omniscient - January 17, 2014, 8:20 pm

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That doesn't apply to this.

Raptor - January 17, 2014, 8:22 pm

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Loomaanaatii - January 17, 2014, 8:25 pm

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This is a good idea since it will protect the community in the long run.

l???l?¢? - January 17, 2014, 8:32 pm

Finally. I have seen so many of my friends scammed because of this.

?Zero - January 17, 2014, 8:36 pm

Thanks Omni. Making hack forums a better community day by day (=

CECIJ® - January 17, 2014, 8:38 pm

Omni types like a straight fucking boss, I like that lol. Down to earth admin, not just another robot!

DayZ® - January 17, 2014, 8:41 pm

To think I was about to start a service for this today haha XD Thanks for saving my ass in a way :)

EziNet - January 17, 2014, 8:48 pm

About time! thank you for Disallowing this :)

Bob White - January 17, 2014, 8:50 pm

This won't exactly stop people from doing it, but it will force them to take it underground.

HostSlayer - January 17, 2014, 10:42 pm

Omni since you are talking much about BTC do you know of any places of which i can use to store BTC i see so many places out there i don't know of which ones are trust worthy and are legit.

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wellager - January 17, 2014, 10:47 pm

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ddol - January 17, 2014, 11:01 pm

(Jan 17, 2014 11:47 PM)Gravemind Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) You can open a bitcoin wallet at BTC-E or Coinbase. They're the most trusted.

Keep in mind that if you use BTC-E the minimum loadout/send would be 0.1 BTC.

Cameron - January 17, 2014, 11:07 pm

Great addition Omni.

Not too long ago I was seriously contemplating becoming one, I then went and did some research

seeing how other members who participated in this turned out, I'm very glad I did so as I found many very similar threads in the Marketplace Discussions and Deal Disputes.

This will without a doubt improve the HF Marketplace as well as the safety of many members.

Tibit - January 17, 2014, 11:20 pm

I do have a question about this. In partnerships such as mad and I. We run Empire Products, we'll have 10+ products launched by the end of the week. We both work on the products and the marketing, however all payments go to a PayPal we both control access to. This is allowed correct?

If so then overall I see it as a good change, surprising change, but good nonetheless. If not then that would greatly hurt the marketplace in my opinion due to the amount of products that are multiple people working on it (support, sales, coding, etc) that would be out of business if it's disallowed.

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m0n0p0ly - January 17, 2014, 11:21 pm

Thanks for this.

I appreciate it.

Ends a lot of my troubles.

12Chainz - January 17, 2014, 11:25 pm

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Tibit - January 17, 2014, 11:27 pm

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That's what I'm thinking as well, just making sure it's clarified just to be safe.

Cameron - January 17, 2014, 11:31 pm

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I personally believe what you're going to do will be completely fine, as yourself, and mad are the product owners (partners) and not a third party.

I believe this was regarding the large amount of threads in the "Partnerships, Hiring, and Personnel" section where members were looking for PayPal holders for their product, 95% of these people had no association with the product that was being sold, just solely holding funds for the sellers.

Although don't take my word for it, I'm sure Omni will clarify this when he sees it.

bugga - January 17, 2014, 11:58 pm

This is a good move, if someone cant or isn't repaired to open or legally verify and use their own PayPal they should never of been doing financial transactions in the first place. It has gone on far to long, people posting asking for PayPal holders and rarely does it end well. This is one of the best rules I have seen made in a long time and has really been needed.

@ Tibit, well a partnership is a lot different, I doubt very much this would be affected. But look how many booter owners ect always post looking for a PP holder that isn't a Partner and how often it all turns to shit and huge fights over money.

possived - January 18, 2014, 12:07 am

Glad to have read this, Much respect for Omni for writing this your a top bloke :)

Huskar - January 18, 2014, 12:11 am

I was looking for a paypal holder .

I didn't know it was such a danger , thanks for doing this omni.

iDuL - January 18, 2014, 12:29 am

Thank God this got implemented. My PayPal got screwed over last year because of something like this.

Miki - January 18, 2014, 12:31 am

Yes very happy this rule came to place less fraud for all of us!

BLKLXVESMATTER! - January 18, 2014, 12:34 am

I'm happy this new policy got implemented. A few people I know got screwed over by their holders.

Good job Omni! ?

'Snorlax - January 18, 2014, 2:02 am

Shiiiet this will stop a lot of people from making products on HF.

Been scammed about 2000 dollars (still need) from PayPal holders.. So that is nice.

70k - January 18, 2014, 2:04 am

If we opened threads like long time ago regarding this, should we simply close them?

Reward - January 18, 2014, 2:06 am

Wow finally I was scammed by two PP holders both had 1000+ rep on here.

adampelletgun - January 18, 2014, 2:06 am

Glad to see this implemented.

Will stop a lot of avoidable scams from happenings.

D??M! - January 18, 2014, 2:16 am

Just for a bit of clarification, is this only against those attempting to offer a paypal holding service, or is this against members using a friend's paypal in general?

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Neal Caffrey - January 18, 2014, 2:17 am

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(Jan 18, 2014 12:20 AM)Tibit Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I do have a question about this. In partnerships such as mad and I. We run Empire Products, we'll have 10+ products launched by the end of the week. We both work on the products and the marketing, however all payments go to a PayPal we both control access to. This is allowed correct?

If so then overall I see it as a good change, surprising change, but good nonetheless. If not then that would greatly hurt the marketplace in my opinion due to the amount of products that are multiple people working on it (support, sales, coding, etc) that would be out of business if it's disallowed.

Thanks, I really wanted to know more about Empire products, so I really appreciate that.

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(Jan 18, 2014 12:58 AM)bugga Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) This is a good move, if someone cant or isn't repaired to open or legally verify and use their own PayPal they should never of been doing financial transactions in the first place. It has gone on far to long, people posting asking for PayPal holders and rarely does it end well. This is one of the best rules I have seen made in a long time and has really been needed.

@ Tibit, well a partnership is a lot different, I doubt very much this would be affected. But look how many booter owners ect always post looking for a PP holder that isn't a Partner and how often it all turns to shit and huge fights over money.

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proXace™ - January 18, 2014, 2:18 am

Glad to see this happen. Was getting annoyed at seeing a whole bunch of Paypal holding services in the Partnership sub-forum.

Neal Caffrey - January 18, 2014, 2:19 am

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I think this is only disallowed if the users are both on HF. The problem that Omniscient has specified is users giving the "I'm limited so I can't return your money" stuff being aired publically on HF. If one user is not on HF, then I don't think it's against the rules because the user is not bound by this rule. (At least that's how I understood it, there's a high chance I'm wrong since it could go either way).

Cub? - January 18, 2014, 2:35 am

Finally! Thank you very much omni! <3

Krew - January 18, 2014, 2:51 am

What in the fuck. Now I can throw my whole business away?

newvibe - January 18, 2014, 2:52 am

thank you, it's great to see this happening because it is nice to see most of these scammers die

Tastylicious - January 18, 2014, 2:52 am

Hm... Having mixed feelings about it, but I guess those you are eligible for owning a PayPal-Account have one,

those who are not eligible don't have one for a reason... Thanks for the thread though!

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since they're friends obviously he won't scam him, but if he gets strangers that he doesn't know then that is blackhat activity

?A.J? - January 18, 2014, 2:57 am

Never used a PP holder. Always was afraid of them.

BTC and LTC was my best option.

Shanks - January 18, 2014, 2:58 am

I have mixed feelings about this, oh well.. OK I guess

'Snorlax - January 18, 2014, 3:03 am

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Most of Hack Forums is probably the marketplace section. A big part of Hack Forums is also the PayPal holders. Without a PayPal holder from Hack Forums, the sellers would have to get one from another forum or site, and that would be very annoying. This is a true killer for the marketplace section, unless people try to hide using a PayPal holder.

Just saying. I could not care less, because I have not used a PayPal holder for over a half year, and I do not plan on getting one now.

Bat™ - January 18, 2014, 3:07 am

Its good that you implemented this policy Omni.

Moji - January 18, 2014, 3:28 am

Thanks for doing this Omni, seen a lot of scams involved in this sort of thing.

Rayyy - January 18, 2014, 3:31 am

Thank you for announcing this, Omni. I hope this stops some people from getting scammed.

'An0ny - January 18, 2014, 3:36 am

Great, now nobody can blame their PayPal holders for disputing :)

Magician. - January 18, 2014, 3:52 am

Nice work Omni I am thinking about making it as a feedback but you did it nice :)

Breakbot - January 18, 2014, 3:56 am

FUCK YEAHHHH, no seriously i couldn't agree more with this desicion .. i even got some pm's this year saying they need me to hold their paypal money lol (in other words to use me as a mule) i hope these people will stop pm'ing now too otherwise Omni you should add a rule saying that any pp hold deal made in pm and gone wrong can't be talked about in HF (in the deal dispute section)

Cameron - January 18, 2014, 4:41 am

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So then people will voluntarily stop using PayPal holders, there won't be rules needed to prohibit it. And that's the owners choice to make. If he/she is stupid enough to hire an unworthy holder and get scammed, bad luck. It's better that it's just completely banned.

Rayquaza™ - January 18, 2014, 4:45 am

Finally. Something thats gonna hit the scammers where it hurts.

Hopefully BTC is used a bit more.

Roytoy - January 18, 2014, 4:45 am

I agree with this decision, good job.

Neal Caffrey - January 18, 2014, 4:47 am

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Most experienced scammers already use BTC so...

Dum De Dum - January 18, 2014, 4:59 am

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Nothing personal, but allowing paypal holders under those terms is ridiculous. It would be a melting pot for scammers. Additionally, no matter what the case, a user should ALWAYS be allowed to inform others of a dishonest member, always.

In this end, this change might affect some in a negative manner, but the rest of us will surely be safer. I look forward to never having to deal with "Oh it wasn't me, my PP holder is the one who charged back!" again.

Robbie - January 18, 2014, 6:44 am

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Gustav - January 18, 2014, 6:52 am

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It even scares me sometimes, but I always get a kick out of it as well. Anyways, thanks for the announcement Omni.

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Omniscient posted a thorough explanation earlier in this thread:

Spoiler ([Click to View](#)) (Jan 17, 2014 08:28 PM)Omniscient Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) A middleman is typically someone acting as an escrow service who's willing to take the risk and manage a deal to ensure it's valid. A middleman often offers guarantees to parties involved in a deal. That's sort of why they exist. A middleman can accept many forms of payment not just PP. As a matter of good escrow a MM should use BTC if they truly want to facilitate a safe deal. When using a MM service both parties should be notified.

A PP holder is someone that accepts payments for someone else via PP. Often those involved in deals are not told they are paying a "holder". People who use holders are often people that either don't want to risk their own account but usually are people that PP doesn't allow to have an account. Holders are becoming a serious problem in this community where those looking for a "holder" that takes PP then pays them in BTC. This sets up the holder to get ripped off in deals while the other guy keeps the BTC and opens a new account to rinse and repeat. PP holders themselves should not be trusted. Someone can hold your money then tell you they got scammed or their account limited which may or may not be true. Or they could simply not give you the money and laugh at your stupidity.

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I hope that clarifies.

No. You're using a PP Holder in that case. Unacceptable. If you don't have PP then you tell your customers to send BTC.

Dropbox - January 18, 2014, 6:58 am

thank you very much for posting this announcement man
many people were asking me to be a paypal holder

Chills - January 18, 2014, 6:59 am

Damn, now that these are disallowed hearing all this talk about yhem makes me want one haha.
Oh well.

InspectorGadget - January 18, 2014, 7:01 am

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Mem 1: I need somebody to hold \$800 a day on paypal for me.
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Understood, thank you very much for quoting that post.

ha4x0r - January 18, 2014, 7:08 am

Many member been scammed by that, they also need to understand all deals are at your own risk as staff members are not involved.

Crypto Broker - January 18, 2014, 7:25 am

Great Omni, this will help many members out. Great!

Darkwin - January 18, 2014, 7:43 am

About time sooo many people were being scammed specially the holders, I'm glad this rule was put in place.

Krew - January 18, 2014, 8:09 am

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PoisonKnife - January 18, 2014, 8:12 am

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I just hope this brings people forward into using BTC from now on.

ZuGgY - January 18, 2014, 9:44 am

Thanks for the information, Omniscient.

Sounds good to me.

Tiszy - January 18, 2014, 10:18 am

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Nah, I hate it too, but I understand why Omni did it.

G??gle - January 18, 2014, 10:45 am

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How about you stop being a dick? I wasn't post whoring at all.

(Jan 18, 2014 11:45 AM)Barack OLLama Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I feel stupid now but what are paypal holders?

Refer to <https://hackforums.net/showthread.php?pid=37761442#pid37761442>

RDCA - January 18, 2014, 10:52 am

(Jan 18, 2014 11:45 AM)Barack OLLama Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I feel stupid now but what are paypal holders?

Paypal holders are people who accept PP funds for a product, group, or even person, and then gives a payout either in PP or some other payment method depending on the situation. This is often done because the actual seller knows his method is fraud and will end badly for the holder, can't use PP or isn't verified, or some other sketchy reasons. A large majority of times it ends badly for the holder though.

webdev77 - January 18, 2014, 10:55 am

About time. It's about time people learn to use bitcoins if they don't have PayPal. Now we will probably see a bazillion threads asking about paypal alternates.

Ghost Rider™ - January 18, 2014, 10:56 am

Good job omni ! It will save lot of members from getting scamed

iPhone - January 18, 2014, 11:13 am

Finally. to many scammers for paypal holding.

Good job omni my nigga.

Fox™ - January 18, 2014, 11:13 am

I'm so glad to see this. Thanks for doing this Omni, it seems a lot of PP holders just took the money and ran.

SwimmingPool - January 18, 2014, 11:18 am

I am so glad that something has been done about this.

Stay Plural - January 18, 2014, 11:20 am

Ya I don't like this update. I realize there are fraudulent PayPal holdings (laundering etc...) but there are some legitimate people here with programs that sell and need people with PayPal's to hold the money and exchange it for them because they don't do that side of business or are too young and etc.

Either way, doesn't matter to me anyway, I'm not in this sort of business anymore so whatever.

I also love how all the posts in this thread are saying "great update omni loving it, nice job, hurr hurr" like shut the fuck up, I don't think the business of PayPal holding has ever affected you in anyway, so why are you rooting for it. Ass kissing morons.

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Find me three examples of this, like honestly I have never seen a single report of large PayPal holding's been stolen. And even if it did happen, it's not an issue because the program owner should have chosen somebody more carefully. I've held stresser income through my PayPal and I've

literally never stolen a dollar because they chose somebody who is trust worthy and has something to lose if there's a report on me on the forum.

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J. McCarthy - January 18, 2014, 12:19 pm

Can we do things like -

Affiliate marketing where they are selling my product for a % then I'm still paying them out the % earned with my product?

1n9i9c7om - January 18, 2014, 12:22 pm

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Enjoy.

P250 - January 18, 2014, 12:42 pm

(Jan 17, 2014 08:31 PM)Omniscient Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) It should increase LEGIT sales by forcing more secure methods like aren't reversible like BTC. This might cause more exchanging though and adoption of BTC. This will definitely lower the rate of scamming.

If you are not using BTC then you should be. Not just because you don't have a PP account but because it's a growing form of secure payment online that solves many problems.

1. All BTC transactions are recorded publicly.
2. BTC transactions are NOT reversible.
3. You can obtain BTC through a variety of legit exchanges.
4. You can cash out BTC into other currency through many exchanges.

So get off your ass and get some BTC/LTC.

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I didn't say that I am unable to obtain BTC. I buy and sell on MTGox. But for a lot of other people, it isn't all that easy. If you think that everyone on HackForums who makes these kinds of purchases is over the age of 18, you're wrong.

D??M! - January 18, 2014, 1:57 pm

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That's your biggest issue right there then...

LaFerrari - January 18, 2014, 2:02 pm

Great to hear this. I knew this rule was going to come.

Circle• - January 18, 2014, 2:07 pm

This is good I support this lots of members have been scammed by their own "Paypal Holders" ?

Lady Deathstroke - January 18, 2014, 2:12 pm

Thank you for this omni I've only just noticed this thread but I will say this has been a long time coming.

About two months ago I mentioned that I might be able to hold one persons paypal funds and nothing came out of it and then about a month ago I decided I don't want to hold paypal funds for similar reasons you mentioned just because it's too easy to be scammed for the last 3 weeks I've had 30+ messages from members asking me to be their paypal holder which is really beginning to get annoying.

So thanks for implementing this omni.

KyleWTF - January 18, 2014, 2:15 pm

I'm happy. Should add more BTC usage around the site.

Vince - January 18, 2014, 2:22 pm

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Spratty - January 18, 2014, 2:26 pm

THANK FUCK FINALLY! It's been done! NO MORE MASS SCAMMING! Great!

Stay Plural - January 18, 2014, 2:35 pm

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Dum De Dum - January 18, 2014, 2:37 pm

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Spratty - January 18, 2014, 2:50 pm

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It will stop 2% Of the larger scammers, Those who scam for very large amounts than other sammers which is progress I guess.

1n9i9c7om - January 18, 2014, 2:51 pm

(Jan 18, 2014 03:35 PM)Stay Plural Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Wow thank you to linking me to one dumbass user's scam reports. He clearly doesn't know how to handle business.

This post was completely unneeded. You asked for 3 scam reports regarding PP holders, and you got them.

King Ragnar - January 18, 2014, 2:52 pm

This is actually a goos idea. There are to many scammers out there and a big risk.

CoNz - January 18, 2014, 2:54 pm

Thanks for this, someone tried scamming me to do this for them. Happy to finally see it disallowed.

Hydra - January 18, 2014, 2:55 pm

Great new rule. This prevents half of the deal disputes that occur.

Thanks

P250 - January 18, 2014, 3:02 pm

(Jan 18, 2014 02:57 PM)DOOM! Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) That's your biggest issue right there then...

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Lykos Thrylos - January 18, 2014, 3:03 pm

Thank you for this rule Omniscient, PayPal Holders were a big problem.

Grin - January 18, 2014, 3:04 pm

(Jan 17, 2014 08:28 PM)Omniscient Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) A middleman is typically someone acting as an escrow service who's willing to take the risk and manage a deal to ensure it's valid. A middleman often offers guarantees to parties involved in a deal. That's sort of why they exist. A middleman can accept many forms of payment not just PP. As a matter of good escrow a MM should use BTC if they truly want to facilitate a safe deal. When using a MM service both parties should be notified.

A PP holder is someone that accepts payments for someone else via PP. Often those involved in deals are not told they are paying a "holder". People who use holders are often people that either don't want to risk their own account but usually are people that PP doesn't allow to have an account. Holders are becoming a serious problem in this community where those looking for a "holder" that takes PP then pays them in BTC. This sets up the holder to get ripped off in deals while the other guy keeps the BTC and opens a new account to rinse and repeat. PP holders themselves should not be trusted. Someone can hold your money then tell you they got scammed or their account limited which may or may not be true. Or they could simply not give you the money and laugh at your stupidity.

In any case I'm viewing PP Holders as a form of financial fraud and a threat to the communities safety in the Marketplace. It will no longer be allowed. That does include offering to be one or if you're looking to get one. And you do what you want off-site but if I catch you doing this in HF deals I just close your account instantly and without care.

I hope that clarifies.
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Yes, of course that could happen. Anyone can scam at any given time, even extremely trusted middlemen, members of staff, or anyone else.

The thing is if a middleman has middlemanned thousands of deals and never scammed anyone

then you just have to assume that you can trust them and that they won't scam you but there's no way to ever be 100% safe.

Amphibious Garbage - January 18, 2014, 3:51 pm

This is definaty a good addition to the rules.

D??M! - January 18, 2014, 4:04 pm

(Jan 18, 2014 04:02 PM)piratee Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) And I suppose that you, instead, would consider trading on forums to be safer/better? As far as I'm concerned, I would never decide to trade large amounts outside a site like MtGOX, Bitstamp, etc.

No, just if you deal with Gox you're going to have a bad time. Any serious trader has known to steer clear for some time now.

(Jan 18, 2014 03:22 PM)Vince? Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I am over 18, consider myself to not be retarded, yet I have no idea how to obtain any amount of BTC in days like you claim. The guy has a point ?

Then you fall into the ignorant category. The ways to turn funds into BTC have been enumerating rapidly, it's a piece of cake now.

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I don't do deals with assumptions and neither should anyone else.

C??sH ??e???d? - January 18, 2014, 5:06 pm

(Jan 18, 2014 02:57 PM)DOOM! Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) That's your biggest issue right there then... Agreeded who used mtgox? They are so horrid.

J. McCarthy - January 18, 2014, 6:44 pm

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J. McCarthy - January 18, 2014, 7:36 pm

(Jan 18, 2014 08:33 PM)Swirl Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) you won't use your OWN paypal but rather someone elses

fuck them overWhy would it fuck them over?

If a holder is willing to hold for a booter that's the risk they take for a % of the sales.

That's not fucking them over that's just business. ?

Bush - January 18, 2014, 7:37 pm

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Paypal is so famous and I don't think we can deny it.

Also we don't offer services or anything but our payments go to our holder and come from holder that's it.

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ITS ALSO ILLEGAL TO USE BTC IN INDIA

LOLOLOLOLOLOLOLOLOL

Dan. - January 18, 2014, 11:40 pm

Been waiting for this, it's really gotten out of hand. The idiots that do this just amaze me.

KyleWTF - January 18, 2014, 11:47 pm

(Jan 19, 2014 12:40 AM)Dan. Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Been waiting for this, it's really gotten out of hand. The idiots that do this just amaze me.

I agree. 15-20% of sales isn't worth having your PayPal fucked.

Omniscient - January 19, 2014, 12:24 am

Quote:think there is a better approach for this. PayPal holding should be allowed to be requested and so on, but if you get scammed, which you might (talking from experience), you will get banned if you create a deal dispute. That way we can still request PayPal holders, but get rid of the deal disputes.

Most of Hack Forums is probably the marketplace section. A big part of Hack Forums is also the PayPal holders. Without a PayPal holder from Hack Forums, the sellers would have to get one from another forum or site, and that would be very annoying. This is a true killer for the marketplace section, unless people try to hide using a PayPal holder.

Actually...I think it's the opposite. Those who have legitimate PP accounts are less likely to scam and that means it's more likely we'll see a decrease in scams and an increase in legitimate deals. This only kills the Marketplace for those who are high risk to deal with anyways.

Quote:Any legit sellers on HF will now lose a lot of sales if they can't use PayPal anymore like me. My guess is that you'll have less scams and hopefully an increase in BTC usage which we should ALL be making a more solid push toward. I doubt anyone besides full-blown PP holders will lose anything in this deal. Just like how I altered SST in drastic fashion and now it's doing just fine...this

will have a similar effect.

Quote:Ya I don't like this update. I realize there are fraudulent PayPal holdings (laundering etc...) but there are some legitimate people here with programs that sell and need people with PayPal's to hold the money and exchange it for them because they don't do that side of business or are too young and etc.

They should push for BTC/LTC payment. It's more secure for them anyways and less risk for the overall community.

Quote:If you think that pushing toward BTC being used instead of PayPal is going to happen, you're unfortunately wrong.

BTC is hard enough to get in small amounts, much less actually get in bulk.

It's easier to open a BTC wallet. It's almost as easy to fund too. I never said people should buy their BTC here. I said they should USE it here in deals. BTC-E, MtGox, Coinbase, and Bitstamp are just a few examples of exchanges to obtain BTC.

Quote:Anyone over 18 and not a retard can obtain any amount of BTC in a matter of just days. Saying it's difficult to obtain BTC either proves you're ignorant, you are not technologically advanced enough to deal with online banking/transactions or you have some other hidden bias against BTC.

The process is simple.

That's how I see it. I've been using BTC for months now just fine and effectively. I feel we have enough educated members here that anyone needing assistance in transitioning from PP to BTC can get the help they need here.

Quote:I didn't say that I am unable to obtain BTC. I buy and sell on MTGox. But for a lot of other people, it isn't all that easy. If you think that everyone on HackForums who makes these kinds of purchases is over the age of 18, you're wrong.

If I'm pushing out a group of inexperienced teens from a 3rd world country that can't or won't get a PP account legitimately then that's just too bad. Those who do have a PP account will get the business. Those who can smartly move toward BTC will get the business. I don't cater my Marketplace to them.

As for the use of MtGox. I do not recommend them either. Here is my post from July 2013:
<https://hackforums.net/showthread.php?tid=3659921>

One of the biggest reasons this policy has come into play is because it's being used more widely to scam. You may not see a lot of it today but in the backend I see the patterns more clearly about what ban evading scammers are doing. The concept of using a PP holder to scam isn't new but it's becoming epidemic. I'm stopping it now.

Scammers were lining up to get l33t, get a PP holder, offer services/products, get BTC, and run off.

Quote:I am over 18, consider myself to not be retarded, yet I have no idea how to obtain any amount of BTC in days like you claim.

Have you ever tried? I've never baked bread from scratch either but I'm pretty sure a trip to the grocery store and a couple YouTube videos later I would have it figured out. Sites like Coinbase or Bitstamp are good places to open an account to buy BTC. Once you're setup to buy the first time it's normally fast. You just have to go through the validations...same as PP or any decent payment processor. That's what killed LR btw...that just anyone with an email could open an account.

Quote:I dont get why everyone thinks it will stop scamming. it may stop about 2% of scammers, but the idiots will find other ways to fish money.

2% today could have been 20% next month. That's how things progress at HF. I been watching the patterns here for nearly 7 years. I think I know a thing or two.

Also this policy imho is very consistent when it comes to the no-nonsense approach I have concerning PP fraud. I don't even allow the discussion of validating or unlimiting accounts. Why would allow our Marketplace to get sucked in PP Holding problems? I pretty much put a stop to this very early an didn't wait for it to become a huge problem. I know I've made the right decision for the overall community.

Neal Caffrey - January 19, 2014, 1:17 am

(Jan 18, 2014 09:09 AM)Krew Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Am I the only one that just fucking hates this update? Personally, I'm pretty neutral to it. Anyone who's negatively affected by this will hate it, and anyone who isn't directly affected by this will love it and kiss Omniscient's ass.

(Jan 18, 2014 11:50 AM)Sena Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) How about you stop being a dick? I wasn't post whoring at all.

You literally had NO content in your post AT all. Why even bother? You basically said "yeah, what does that mean? durr"

(Jan 18, 2014 12:20 PM)Stay Plural Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I also love how all the posts in this thread are saying "great update omni loving it, nice job, hurr hurr" like shut the fuck up, I don't think the business of PayPal holding has ever affected you in anyway, so why are you rooting for it. Ass kissing morons.

Totally agree with you on this. ?

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Being a retard is in the eye of the beholder, my good friend. ?

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Actually, most scammers are quite intelligent, or at least try to come across as so. It's the people who get scammed that would be considered the 'idiots'. But hey, that's just my 2 cents.

(Jan 18, 2014 03:55 PM)iHydra Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Great new rule. This prevents half of the deal disputes that occur.

Thanks

Link me to 5 deal disputes that occur because of PayPal holding on the first page and I'll request a 6 month ban. ?

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Good game for the Indians. ?

(Jan 19, 2014 01:24 AM)Omniscient Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I know I've made the right decision for the overall community.

You're always going to have people who disagree with your choices. Although I was doing PP holding about a year ago, I agree that the shit it gets people into is not worth the trouble.

I think most people are just so scared of how quickly BTC changes. When it changes like 20% in a day, it's all over the news and people go apeshit. The problem is that BTC is known for both it's irreversibility AND it's volatility, and unfortunately, a large amount of people are scared off by the volatility.

Isidar - January 19, 2014, 1:19 am

Omni, I think you have to understand that although people should push for BTC/LTC payments, not everyone has BTC or LTC to purchase with. PayPal is the biggest payment processor and those whom have their accounts limited, which in most cases is for retarded reasons, are now losing out as they can't have a PayPal holder and if you compare the amount of PayPal users to BTC and LTC users, it doesn't come close.

Understalker - January 19, 2014, 1:24 am

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So what exactly are you trying to say? ?

If you're unable to purchase BTC and/or LTC, and you're not old enough to use PayPal, then you shouldn't be dealing on the marketplace at all. Holders cause trouble for every party involved SOONER or later anyway.

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This.

Nearly all payments will be directly from PayPal as not everyone is aware of BTC/LTC ~ or just doesn't have a way to obtain them. (I am talking about users offsite).

The GRim - January 19, 2014, 1:39 am

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Krew - January 19, 2014, 2:31 am

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Fuck yes, I waited so long for this reply. Couldn't agree more.

Bush - January 19, 2014, 2:58 am

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scam. - January 19, 2014, 4:47 am

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deals till now and haven't had any problem. That's good, if you know the person is sincere then it shouldn't be a problem, but it's difficult to trust people on the internet. I mean I had a PayPal holder once who dealt a lot of money with me, but that was a real life friend so I had no problem with it, but when it comes to randoms on HackForums it's a serious issue.

King Cobra - January 19, 2014, 5:07 am

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JFect™ - January 19, 2014, 5:13 am

Although I will never personally need a Paypal holder and will never offer myself as one either, I think private Paypal holders where the onus is on both the holder and the counterparty where they trust each other should be allowed. It would be better if any scam reports then made would result in a closure of the accounts because basically, you were warned.

We all know that publicly there will stop being any offerings of this service but the private messaging will not stop.

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Omni has actually been attempting to shift the definition of "hacking" away from less legitimate enterprises, I believe. That's been going on for years. It's a forum with a lot of debatable legality, but there are definitely certain lines which bring in more than their share of governmental attention.

Neal Caffrey - January 19, 2014, 5:38 am

(Jan 19, 2014 06:32 AM)Isidar Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) And who the hell said I do that shit or condone it? PP holding and verifying PP using stolen shit is completely fucking different.

Answer my fucking question, don't change the topic. You said I'm complaining about illegal shit, which means that you have a problem with it. Now, where am I kissing ass?

And all the illegal shit in the Premium Sellers section can be used for educational purposes. It's not a matter of whether you condone it or not, rather that your argument is flawed. :)

Patriot7 - January 19, 2014, 8:21 am

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#Thunder - January 19, 2014, 9:08 am

I hope to some degree sort out of the drama between [Neal Caffrey](#) and [Isidar](#). First of all, Neal isn't kissing ass. He is simply stating his opinion. However, while the [Premium Sellers Section](#) can be used for legal purposes, do you honestly think most of the people are going to use it for legal

purposes? I can blatantly say most people are not using the services offered for legal purposes.

To my understanding, PayPal holding is against the terms. With it being a common way of people doing fraudulent activity, [Omniscient](#) cannot take the risk of someone reporting this to law enforcement; resulting in a search on the site. To some degree Omni is liable for what the members post on the forum. I don't think most members comprehend that. - I rest my view on this ignorant argument.

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If I purchase a gun with a license to own it, can you say the same towards the other guy beside me? You cannot. While you have been a legitimate person towards Kyle, there is many people who are being scammed by 'Paypal Holders'. In a sort of sense, this is what happened to the Social Engineering forum we had. People just don't listen though.

(Jan 19, 2014 05:47 AM)Mael Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I do not even see the point in holders. If people use legitimate information you will have 0 problems with PP.

Even with legitimate information, people can still preform activity like this. It also isn't allowed by PayPal to my understanding.

(Jan 19, 2014 06:07 AM)King Cobra Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) What I laugh about is that the forum is called "Hack Forums" but no illegal shit is allowed. Quite Ironical.

A lot of what is on the forum is actually a bit legal. If someone is offering a very genuine service, they'll have documentation stating they are not liable for the actions. They'll probably say something that they're only endorsing their product to be used for legal reasons.

(Jan 19, 2014 09:21 AM)Patriot7 Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) its too bad that scammers ruin it for the legit people. That is what happens to everything. You have the people who are legitimate, while you have other people who are scamming people constantly. With a forum like this, you have to limit this sort of activity.

Kosmos - January 19, 2014, 10:58 am

I do not see why there is any sort of argument on this topic. If any of you need a refresher, read the last part of the OP.

(Jan 17, 2014 07:24 PM)Omniscient Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Done.

Cha0 - January 19, 2014, 11:17 am

(Jan 17, 2014 07:24 PM)Omniscient Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) You have no excuse other than you're a scamming scumbag to use a PP holder.

How about, the developer of a product is too busy to handle business?

Or the developer is not 18 yet? Or PayPal limited your account for a bullshit reason?

I understand why this rule has been added and I'm not saying I don't accept your decision but that statement is simply not true. Plenty of legitimate reasons to use a PayPal holder.

Darkwin - January 19, 2014, 11:19 am

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Wouldn't 99% of that section be considered 'fraud' since most of the members there are technically laundering money? In many cases even exchanging money from stolen PayPal accounts for Bitcoins/Skrill or whatever irreversible currencies there are.

Hannibal Rising - January 19, 2014, 11:24 am

I'm so glad this is disallowed now.

Thank you a lot, Omniscient!

#Thunder - January 19, 2014, 11:51 am

(Jan 19, 2014 12:19 PM)Darkwin Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Now I have no problem with the new rule however I just wanted to point out that your logic is sort of skewed. If PayPal holding is against the terms and/or considered 'Fraud' then what do you have to say about the currency exchange section?

Wouldn't 99% of that section be considered 'fraud' since most of the members there are technically laundering money? In many cases even exchanging money from stolen PayPal accounts for Bitcoins/Skrill or whatever irreversible currencies there are.

PayPal holding isn't fraudulent, however there were individuals who were requesting people to money to be held for that reason. PayPal prohibits users doing currency exchange, holdings, etc.

You do have a good point on the currency exchange forum. However, I wouldn't like to step into Omni's shoes on that specific subject. I do not think fraudulent activity as became as big as the PayPal holding though. Therefore there is no set rule on this at the moment.

Saint - January 19, 2014, 11:57 am

Closed my service for paypalholding, you are right omni thanks.

Omniscient - January 19, 2014, 11:58 am

Quote: You should really just cut down on the actual scammers then completely not allowing holders in general. Anyone who is retarded enough to allow 2k+ be sent to their PayPal and instantly transfer it to someone else's without a proper reason is a complete idiot.

I think small scams are the bigger problem. Easier to scam \$50-\$100 5 times a month than \$500 once.

Quote: These decisions aren't that good,

We have cut down so much dealing here already and now no paypal holders? This is truly bad. Marketplace is very active and I know for a fact the majority of legit sellers of products and services are doing very well. There is a reason that almost all the Marketplace section stickies are sold out week after week.

Quote: I do not even see the point in holders. If people use legitimate information you will have 0 problems with PP.

Exactly.

Quote: And all the illegal shit in the Premium Sellers section can be used for educational purposes. It's not a matter of whether you condone it or not, rather that your argument is flawed. :)

It's illegal to drive over the speed limit but you can drive a car. It's illegal to carry a gun unless licensed but you can buy a gun. It's illegal to drink and drive but you can drive to the bar. It's illegal to smoke weed but it's illegal to sell it on the streets. It's illegal to do a lot of things in certain ways and manners. There is usually some fine line somewhere. I try to keep us steered in the right direction on that. I allow us to ride the line sometimes and I feel we're going over it then I must take action. These are decisions I make for a website I own.

Thanks everyone for your input though and have a nice day.

My policies are not debatable.