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Thread: [\[Selling\] Scammer Database Promotions](#)

Xerotic - September 7, 2014, 11:48 am

For information on the project, visit the following thread:

<https://hackforums.net/showthread.php?tid=4388155>. Also feel free to check out our website:
<http://www.hfscammerdb.com>.

Advertising With the Scammer Database

The Scammer Database is designed to help protect members against scammers on HF. Members that have open and unresolved deal disputes are added to our database and are displayed live as you browse HackForums. You can identify a potential scammer on the following pages:

Index Page

Showthread Page

Profile Page

Reputation Pages (Received/Given)

Private Messages

This way if anybody tries to contact you on HF and you see their name in red, you can easily pull up a list of their open deal disputes. Handy, huh?

Statistics

As seen by [this](#) thread, almost 300 members have said that they use the scammer database script. And that is only the people that took the time to vote. According to my tracking (which I only started mid-way through the previous version of the userscript), there have been over 600 total installations of the userscript. This number will grow as word is spread and as more potential scammers are added to the database (currently over 550+!).

Just by the numbers above, your promotion ad will have a far reach to members of HackForums, most of which are using the script for marketing anyway - the perfect audience!

Stipulations

Ads must be text in nature, which means no images. You can use BBCode to format your message and add links as you please. You can also choose the border color (top and bottom) of the displayed message at the top of the screen. The only two colors you cannot use are gold and lime (and close variants that look exactly alike). These colors are reserved for updates from the developer and are not ad content.

Your ad can cover multiple lines, but I am manually approving each promotion, so if I feel it is too large, I will ask you to shorten it before accepting any payment.

Once payment has been made, your ad will be placed for the time allotted. I will PM you the moment the ad goes up and that PM will act as a timestamp for when the ad was placed.

Ads that are visible at the top of the screen can be minimized by the user, but they will reappear

every 6 hours.

Pricing

Since this is the first time ads are coming to the HF Scammer Database, I am still working on pricing. The prices here are subject to change at any time, and prices will only be locked in once a payment has been made.

All payments will be via BTC at this point.

Current prices: 1 day - \$10

3 days - \$25

1 week - \$45

I am currently not offering any duration longer than 1 week. At the end of the 1 week time slot, you can always renew your ad with another payment.

If you have any questions at all, feel free to PM me. I will get back to you as soon as possible!

All deals will be done via HF PM system.

Once payment has been made, the deal is locked in and your ad will be displayed. No refunds. I have the right to refuse any member/promotion.

Exigo - September 7, 2014, 11:58 am

The pricing is very affordable and is sure to generate sales.

I will defiantly be advertising with you soon:)

Supreme??????? - September 7, 2014, 12:08 pm

Prices seem fair. May use this to advertise future products!

A????nimal - September 7, 2014, 12:13 pm

Once more users get this i will for sure get a spot here! GLWS

XeX Menu - September 7, 2014, 12:15 pm

Good luck with all your sales man, you deserve something back for all the effort you put into things.

Ninetales. - September 7, 2014, 12:20 pm

i bought a advertisement for my free method. vouch xero. <3

Dave™ - September 7, 2014, 12:23 pm

A lot of people were upset about the ads but I understand why you are doing them. I would definitely buy if I had something I needed the ad for lol.

Xerotic - September 7, 2014, 1:28 pm

(Sep 7, 2014 01:27 PM)Teh Afro Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) -snip-

If you read the GOLD banners, you would see there is an update so that you can hide ALL ads. See the red button at the far right? CLICK IT.

Krew - September 7, 2014, 1:29 pm

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Teh Afro - September 7, 2014, 1:30 pm

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Actually, that says there was a bug with Firefox users. Which I'm not. Either way, I'm no longer using it. Was perfect before you added ads. Somebody even offered to host it for free so it's not server costs.

Xerotic - September 7, 2014, 1:30 pm

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Truth Will Out - September 7, 2014, 1:31 pm

Seems like a good idea for all parties. Good luck with sales.

commandzombie - September 7, 2014, 2:30 pm

I'm interested, but can you make a new pool now, since you have added ads?

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Xerotic - September 7, 2014, 2:31 pm

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I will once some of the drama has subsided. I will have some more stats in the future.

Th3PonyWizard - September 7, 2014, 3:07 pm

(Sep 7, 2014 01:30 PM)Xerotic Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) That is why you can hide them. 1 click and gone.. it's almost like magic.didn't try it. reads on your page that they re-appear on every 6 hours

?Nyanbot - September 7, 2014, 10:40 pm

Came on, had 5 messages. Uninstalled. I was fine with displaying a single ad or whatever. But thats just damn annoying as fuck. Nor do I care about firefox users.

Naveen - September 8, 2014, 2:31 am

I have 5 Notification, Nearly covers half of my screen. Really annoying. I cant minimize it anymore. If you continue gonna disable that script.

Xerotic - September 8, 2014, 4:22 am

To minimize the messages you just have to update to the nearest version. Did you even read the messages?

Naveen - September 8, 2014, 5:13 am

(Sep 8, 2014 04:22 AM)Xerotic Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) To minimize the messages you just have to update to the nearest version. Did you even read the messages?

Updated. Now i'm able to minimize it, thanks. If you make it displaying it per 24hrs that will be good.

Fintastic - September 8, 2014, 5:32 am

I have updated version and hiding doesn't help anything because SAME ads will be on my HF when I change page. Really annoying to me also when there is 3-5 different notifications on my screen -_-

VIP. - September 8, 2014, 5:36 am

will ads get blocked by ad blocker?

sonex - September 8, 2014, 5:45 am

Honestly if you're gonna help out community for "free" which this is advertised as, why the hell would you add ads? Also 10\$ a day for 500 impressions(your stats) is also a rip off, you cant guarantee a single click(what PPC sites does) so your advertisement is useless, those who dont realize it will pay you but the next day even stupidest marketer will understand how utterly useless it is. Also the fact this is "scammer database" by name itself should be helpfull to others, not annoying as its at this moment. If pocket change will suffice the amount of people you just lost who uninstalled this script, be my guest.

You either have no clue about marketing or you're just hungry for pocket change. This thread should be added to worst marketing attempts on HF, ever. Feel free to abuse your power and delete this post, just shows how immature you are.

Just thought on one more thing, you're a Mentor, arent they supposed to help out community? You're not getting paid for it, but you wont be able to pay off food for 1 day with this shit either, I explained you why above. Uninstalled as well, will rather risk 10\$ in exchange instead of clicking the "x" every 6h.

Oh and one more thing, your stats are incorrect as well, most people use HF on mobile, thus your script doesnt work on it, which means those 500 isnt correct either, so this is false advertisement. I could go on all day long why this wont work well, but why waste time when you clearly have no clue.

Fintastic - September 8, 2014, 5:55 am

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sonex - September 8, 2014, 5:59 am

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GOOGLE-SEO - September 8, 2014, 6:18 am

somoene on here is always after money , this site is deemed to fail , hence why we have threads for scammers,

he clearly states that his site is not 100% saying anyone is a scammer.

So read hf threads free of adds.

Mike.Jinson - September 8, 2014, 6:20 am

I will get a small banner ad fr my site pm me xerotic

Fintastic - September 8, 2014, 6:22 am

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Too much ass kissing right there, as people stated couple of times, such script is rather easy to make for anyone that has even slightest clue how it works. I wont name anyone nor say I can do it, however it's not rocket science so dont threat it that way. The second part of your post makes no absolutely sense, this aint no software business model, this is a script, on a website that isnt even his so basically he's absolutely not allowed to take advantage of it, atleast not with this kind of annoying ads. You probably payed yourself or never even used the script, however those numbers will back up each and every statement, you're paying for impressions not clicks, thus you arent guaranteed a single one, while I can use 10\$ to generate almost thousand views, instead of wastefull impressions.

(Sep 8, 2014 06:22 AM)T????? Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Well.. you can always remove this tool if you don't want to see those ads because mentor isn't helping us for free. But yeah, I got your point.

I couldnt care less if he does it for free or not, but it's more than clear that he's not doing his job correctly, as rules say Staff arent paid, so should Para or Dragon sell spots in their giveaway threads? How about you see an ad in each MRT thread? You're so narrow-minded that I can barely give you an answer you'll even understand. I rest my case here.

Programming - September 8, 2014, 7:22 am

(Sep 7, 2014 01:30 PM)Xerotic Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) That is why you can hide them. 1 click and gone.. it's almost like magic.

Then they come back after you visit 5 more pages... It's like magic.

Vibe - September 8, 2014, 7:27 am

If you don't like the ads, stop using the script, or make your own. You guys are acting like he forced you to use this script. Get over it, ads are on everything, HF even has it's own ads You guys aren't bitching about those.

'Psyduck - September 8, 2014, 7:28 am

I just uninstalled the userscript because of the ads, this userscript should be a helpful tool for members, not annoying.

I will add the userscript again when the ads are gone.

Thank you and have a good day Xerotic.

Conclusion: Userscript is not approved by Psyduck.

King of Clubs - September 8, 2014, 7:28 am

I agree with the others. Even though you hide them they come back a few pages later.

Programming - September 8, 2014, 7:30 am

Selling the end of my userscript.

No point in buying ad space when everyone is quitting the userscript because of it.

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Because they disappear if you are upgraded, bud.

Fintastic - *September 8, 2014, 8:02 am*

(Sep 8, 2014 06:33 AM)sonex Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) snip

Staff are not paid but they can sell what they want on HF so why MRT couldn't sell ads?

Xerotic - *September 8, 2014, 12:20 pm*

Until further notice, ads in the HF Scammer Database ADS are being discontinued.

Current ads will remain up until their expiration (as of this post, the final ad expires in just under 2 hours).

Thanks everybody for the feedback and I apologize for any inconvenience.

-Xerotic