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Thread: [Why you shouldn't use Imgur](#)

zetza - December 22, 2014, 4:57 am

I don't know if this is the right section, but it has something to do with graphics at least. It should probably have been in the lounge, so more people would see it.

Okay, so recently I've been experiencing a bunch of problems regarding the quality of designs, when they are uploaded to Imgur.

Let me show you an example of one of my recent works, that imgur fucked up the quality on.

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As you can see, all the red typography has gotten all grainy, and it just looks really bad, and basically the whole thread design is grainy.

So let's upload the exact same image to a different site:

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Now everything is back to normal, and there's no grains or anything.

I've said it before in previous threads, but people seems to keep using Imgur for some reason. I currently use <http://www.imageupload.co.uk> right now for uploading everything, and it works pretty well by the looks of it above.

Apostle - December 22, 2014, 4:59 am

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zetza - December 22, 2014, 5:04 am

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cortz - December 22, 2014, 6:01 am

The issue is that your thread design file size is probably too large or you're not uploading them as a .png.

When your .png exceeds 1MB then it will compress it into a .jpg to under 1MB.

If you're using Photoshop, make sure you're saving using the 'Save as for Web' feature instead of the normal 'Save As..'

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zetta - December 22, 2014, 6:17 am

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I do use "Save for web", but the compression I believe will also decrease the quality. I do not know if that setting you mentioned in the end helps, I haven't really seen it.

Either way, I still think the site I linked would be better to use, as you don't have to concern about all those different things.

cal5me - December 22, 2014, 12:53 pm

That's a huge difference man. I stopped using imgur a long time ago, thanks for bringing it up though hopefully people see this and stop using it when they want the best quality for their pics ;)

danno99 - January 12, 2015, 3:40 pm

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It really fucks up the type and on areas with high contrast as you seen from some of my work. but sure thats part of compression and thats what theyre using

Wired? - January 12, 2015, 5:11 pm

I don't use Imgur for anything that I'm serious about uploading (graphics, photos, etc.) I currently use a website called [cubeupload](#) which is like Imgur but 0 compression, meaning it retains all of the quality of your image.

Domovoi - January 13, 2015, 7:36 am

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Horizon - January 13, 2015, 7:40 am

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Domovoi - January 14, 2015, 9:51 am

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xboyo - January 14, 2015, 1:08 pm

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Optimized - January 14, 2015, 1:10 pm

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Eternal. - January 14, 2015, 1:12 pm

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Scymo - January 14, 2015, 1:13 pm

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zetza - January 14, 2015, 1:18 pm

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You got it ;)

Figured you have to make a user on imgur to get the right quality.

But the fact that you have to do that is just... meh.

(Jan 14, 2015 02:10 PM)Optimized Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I kind of want to set up my image uploading service.

Good luck, but there are plenty of these already.. Just saying.

You're wasting your time.

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Imageupload.co.uk was the first one I found with 0 compression, so I've just stuck with that one.

(Jan 14, 2015 02:08 PM)xboyo Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I just recently started using imgur solely because that's what everyone else used. Thanks for sharing, i'll go back to the OG photosharing sites.

Yea I think that's why everyone uses it... But that's why I say it isn't good.

(Jan 14, 2015 10:51 AM)Domovoi Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Maybe I just never paid close enough attention to how it affected the pieces I uploaded. Guess I'll have to find a better image host

In all honesty you wouldn't really pay attention to it, because it is so slight a change.

But I really see it like everywhere, and it's really turning me crazy(I see it a lot!).

Removed - January 14, 2015, 1:23 pm

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Hire - January 14, 2015, 1:24 pm

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zetta - January 14, 2015, 1:25 pm

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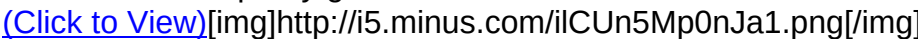
Minus looks pretty bad too:

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Original

Spoiler [\(Click to View\)](#)[img]http://www.imageupload.co.uk/images/2015/01/14/fBre9sM.png[/img]

EDIT: Nvm minus looks pretty good

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Removed - January 14, 2015, 1:32 pm

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(You can upload a lot of different types of files like PSDs and pdfs etc.)

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I don't know about you or everyone else, but "ctrl + u" is a really uncomfortable position for me.

Avia - January 14, 2015, 1:34 pm

Thanks for the thread, nice job spotting that and letting everyone know.

zetta - January 14, 2015, 1:35 pm

(Jan 14, 2015 02:34 PM)Aviate Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Thanks for the thread, nice job spotting that and letting everyone know.

It is a pretty old thread though.

Don't know why it's getting so much attention now

Heyston - January 14, 2015, 1:40 pm

I use always minus, is very HQ service.

