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Thread: [Stop the Obsession with Trust Scan](#)

Mr Kewl - January 2, 2016, 12:34 pm

Hello all.

Trust Scan we know its a very good feature, it was implemented to reduce the scams and bad deals on HF as it would give you necessary statistics to see if a person can/should be dealt with?

How?

By checking:

Last Email Change

Password reset

Gauth

Last Login IP changed

These are some tools, which will actually give you a good statistical insight on should a member be dealt with or not.

But from what I've observed most of the people use it for a different purpose and its in Lounge. If a new member posts a thread everyone goes berserk and we see posts like

Quote:"OmgZZ!! IP MATCH WID 1 ODER PERSON!!!

Quote:"OMZZ U IS MULTIIII"

Quote:"SUM1 PLEASE CHECK HIS TRUSTSCAN"

Everyone goes in a super mod mode and just wants to accuse new members of being multis whether they are or not.

Note: Just because someone's IP might match to another user its not necessary that they might be ban evading/multi accounting or breaking rules. Its a very common thing happens easily with Public Wifi/Mobile network or for w/e reasons.

Imho you should just chill and enjoy the site and let the staff/admin deal with the multis etc.

We'll end it with a quote.

(Jan 1, 2016 01:34 PM)Omniscient Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Not uncommon and staff and I can tell if the IP is home or cell based.

But I want to make a comment additional to that.

I keep getting PMs like "OMG my IP matches another user..who is it."

It is NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS WHO YOU MATCH IPs WITH.

I also get "User XXXX matches 3 other IPs, I just saw his Trust Scan."

DO NOT REPORT USER TO STAFF BASED ON TRUST SCAN. You should not be contacting staff about it. You should not be asking staff to review accounts based on that.

Got it!

Ignore the formatting

Nachfolger - January 2, 2016, 12:37 pm

Thanks for the thread. However, for a new member, I truly think it's a fair thing to say they are a multi, if they match other IPs. Especially if they give it away, which most do by their posting etiquette.

rapidfire08 - January 2, 2016, 12:37 pm

Yea okay whatever. It just seems cocky.

King Cin - January 2, 2016, 12:46 pm

Unless a thread like this gets stickied idiots will just keep playing mini mod with their ability to trust scan.

Ahri????? - January 2, 2016, 1:43 pm

Just like idiots who lose access to their account due to 2FA people will still act like mini admins.

Zexo - January 2, 2016, 1:45 pm

Ya way too many people use trust scan to mini mod the shit out of new members.

Grammar Rays - January 2, 2016, 1:45 pm

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Cammy - January 2, 2016, 1:45 pm

And why do you think we have this stereotype?

Who Soup - January 2, 2016, 1:47 pm

This definitely needed to be said; thank you for making this.

Windows95 - January 2, 2016, 1:47 pm

Omg, OP dosent trust trust scan, do a trust scan on OP!

Brendan - January 2, 2016, 1:50 pm

It's not like they're doing any harm. If a user doesn't trust another based on their trust scan, then they don't.

Doodlegod - January 2, 2016, 1:57 pm

THANK YOU! I heard I have 1 or 2 matching IPs on my account, I explained one in a thread (friend

signed up), and now I miss out on tons of deals because people accuse me.

Spooky White - January 2, 2016, 1:59 pm

Thanks for the thread, looks nice lol. Anyways I'm addicted to trust scan myself.
#MAGICFLAKES MOD MODE

lithuani? - January 2, 2016, 2:00 pm

(Jan 2, 2016 02:58 PM)Ah Muzen Cab Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) It's latest IP matching another user's latest IP. So technically you can match another users IP from yours changing, but that would mean they have not logged on since. If two active users have the same IP then what you are saying cannot be the case.

I realised that, so I deleted my post - I didn't know it had to be the latest IP address.

BLURRYF?CE - January 2, 2016, 3:19 pm

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He B TeMy - January 2, 2016, 3:21 pm

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You can't for 100% sure, mobile ISP's-only don't exist, at least in my country they don't, so, you can't be sure, of course there are db's and stuff to potentially check which IP range some carriers are using right now, but for a site has members from all over the world it'd be unreliable and not needed for non-staff, because it would need manual check, and even that might not be 100% accurate.

minimalist - January 2, 2016, 3:24 pm

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And just right away match the latest IP of an HF member? Yes this site has large userbase, but it's fishy at best.

Synical - January 2, 2016, 3:31 pm

Theres regulations like this in the site!? Thats pretty cool.

Roger Waters - January 2, 2016, 3:45 pm

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ANTHONY - January 2, 2016, 3:48 pm

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Because no one cares about your trust scan unless you're a new member.

Grammar Rays - January 3, 2016, 7:43 am

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Ahri????? - January 3, 2016, 10:47 am

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If they are posting on your thread about your dog and only saying "OP is a multi cause he has 2 members matching his IP" then you can report it as off topic. Same if they are replying to you.

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Off-topic posts should be reported using the Unrelated or off-topic post option.

Hellblazer? - January 3, 2016, 10:55 am

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DuguWudi - January 3, 2016, 11:15 am

I remember there's a deal dispute case whereby the user was scammed twice by the same scammer, when he was scammed the second time, he do some research on the scammer, apparently the scammer have a previous account/something, the user was like omg I got scammed twice by the same scammer.

What about those scammers that apparently open new account and dont want to use their old accounts becoz the old accounts got deal disputes? Going to give them second chance to scam again or is it better off they settle previous deal disputes first?

Formant - January 3, 2016, 11:17 am

As much as I agree with you OP, there's nothing we can do about it other than to not misuse the feature ourselves and to disregard the LQPs you're talking about. It's still one of the "newer" features on the site. Whenever a new feature is implemented, especially one that requires you to be upgraded to use, people feel entitled use it to boost their ego. Trust Scan is a luxury feature imo, nothing else. As members, basing opinions solely on TS, we have NO proof whatsoever to accuse anyone of being a multi based on the number of matching IPs. If you've ever browsed HF via mobile, it's more than likely your IP will match SOMETHING as you are on a PUBLIC network. It's just another way some people feel they can flash their e-peen around. It's bound to happen.

I'm not sure where that quote from Omni came from, but I didn't see it in the [Help Docs](#) unless I'm

blind. It might be helpful to add a Trust Scan Policy/Notice/Disclaimer or something to the [Help Docs](#) so people can understand exactly how the feature is supposed to be used. At the end of the day I think the feature should remain as is and only be available to Ub3r members.