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Thread: [\[TUT\] How to Find Skype Impostors!](#)

YayHar - January 29, 2016, 3:03 pm

CATCHING SKYPE IMPOSTORS:

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Congratz, you now know the scammers profile. Make sure to take tons of screenshots and provide proof.

?Synapse - January 29, 2016, 4:54 pm

Awesome thread, pretty smart way of finding them on HF. Another way could be going "Hey man you've won a giveaway, give me your user ID for free L33T, if you're already ranked you can get \$50, just give me your UID to verify."

Zoo - January 29, 2016, 4:58 pm

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True, but it's a pretty solid plan. I'll try and think of another plan, but none comes to mind.

YayHar - January 31, 2016, 5:18 pm

I want this to be seen, so it might help somebody.

C?h?e?r?r?y - April 11, 2016, 6:32 am

Cool method of figuring out who is behind the Skype profile. Thanks for sharing.

Copywriter - April 11, 2016, 2:16 pm

This is actually a really nice and creative method!

Thanks for this man!

Silicon Valley - April 11, 2016, 5:42 pm

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A NEW ERA... - April 16, 2016, 12:46 pm

Great thread, hopefully it cuts down the scammers and people actually are aware.

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Orgy - April 16, 2016, 1:24 pm

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minimalist - April 16, 2016, 1:26 pm

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YayHar - April 17, 2016, 10:13 am

(Apr 16, 2016 01:26 PM)Minimalist Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Sadly, this isn't solid proof that the member viewing the thread is the person who you've linked to the thread.

You wouldn't automatically say the user is the culprit, but it narrows down on the people.

Plus+ you can just send them a hyperlink to a fake screenshot, but it redirects to a Hack forums thread where you're waiting.

SIM-2501407 - May 28, 2016, 12:05 pm

Not a bad method, thanks for the share.

Remix - May 28, 2016, 3:11 pm

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YayHar - May 28, 2016, 3:27 pm

(May 28, 2016 03:11 PM)Remix Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) How does it deserve a sticky?

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I never said it did ._.

YayHar - June 27, 2016, 5:37 am

Make sure to get creative with this, this is just a clean slate.

YouPlox - July 6, 2016, 4:19 pm

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It seems to be genuine. Nice job.

IncarnatiOn - July 6, 2016, 11:16 pm

Well honestly for ultimate security you could just trade onsite exclusively, or at least do PM confirmations.

But I'm not gonna lie this is a pretty sweet method, thanks for sharing.