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Thread: [\[RANT\] Are you out of your fucking mind?](#)

sonex - February 3, 2016, 7:03 am

I've kept this in myself so for a such long time hoping someone else will use common sense because I dont normally post here or post anything like this. Why the fuck you +rep new members who post in this section saying they cant post in Marketplace? You're basically making forum rules look retarded. There's a reason new members cant post in marketplace, a REASON, and it's quite simple one, to prevent any random Joe in scamming people just because you gave them a +rep.

I could link to shit ton of threads but I'm sure those who read this will find themselves in my words and stop with it already, you aint no Robin Hood of Hackforums if you "help" a new member use marketplace. Recently this happened.

- <https://hackforums.net/showthread.php?tid=5157240> (It's junked now lol)

It's this guy - <https://hackforums.net/showthread.php?tid=5152996&pid=49672575#pid49672575>

He got a +rep to post in Marketplace selling PayPal cash card, and even offers to pay for it. For us who are here for longer amount of time we know this is bullshit, but what about others, what about new members who see such good opportunity thinking "wow this looks good, imma go and grab it"? You basically LET THEM do it, then scam occurs, then disputes, then Omni closes whole CE section, then HF looks like a scam playground. This is a serious issue with mindset of upgraded users here, there's ton of other ways to help community, you're just making us all look like idiots by helping those who ARE NOT ALLOWED in marketplace, rules says that, not me. They hook you up with a nice story like "i want to offer something good", and then they scam, I'd fucking close not only scammers account but those who +repped them as well.

Or this too - <https://hackforums.net/showthread.php?tid=5153666>

See. he asked why, got rep, probably tried doing shit but someone stopped him and then he never came back online?

Will you start using fucking common sense and stop +repping new members who make up stories how they cant use marketplace? It's not the majority of scams from normal member, but you can never know what happens when 2 normal members make a deal, hence the reason NEW members cant use marketplace, it's for their own safety and safety of others. Jesus fucking christ, fucking stone age thinking, you're ruining it for all of us.

/rantover

TL:DR Thanks to Jim Crow.

(Feb 3, 2016 01:46 PM)Jim Crow Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Seems like some of you don't get the point of this thread: He rants about people who give rep to people who post those thread and NOT about those people who post those threads.

Thanks for this awesome thread - I totally agree. I am always compensating the reps with -3 lol

Dips - February 3, 2016, 7:05 am

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Mr Kewl - February 3, 2016, 7:06 am

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Instead of adding more restrictions, can't we just stop being a little stupid for a change? ?

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?Opulence - February 3, 2016, 7:12 am

so true. That pisses me off, like why the fuck does a brand new member have 14rep because they posted a thread asking how to get rep...BS people who promote that are fucking stupid

CRT - February 3, 2016, 7:13 am

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Cap - February 3, 2016, 7:13 am

I couldn't agree more with this post. It's a flawed and unfortunate system. New users avoid being high quality and making helpful posts to earn rep, instead they ask why they can't post and someone reps them. They know they can get away with it too.

?Hero - February 3, 2016, 7:14 am

That's why we should completely remove the custom message reputation system and keep a few pre-made ones. So if a new user gets repped for "Thanks for your vouch" but they haven't vouched anything, you know it's fake.

Phobix - February 3, 2016, 7:14 am

Ub3rs get seen as the bad guys when they use their daily reputation to offset these charity positive reps too.

It's quite sad, I pulled out of caring about this shit years ago. Everyone just white knights.

Dips - February 3, 2016, 7:14 am

Honestly i think there should be some kind of punishment for giving rep like that. Should be able to report rep like this and then Omniscient or another Admin should -10 them fuckers. Fuck this pisses me off big time!

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And 99% of them are multi-accounting.

N1nj4Styl3 - February 3, 2016, 7:16 am

Let me explain why I proposed this idea.

@Mr KEWL, I know it doesn't sound right to restrict things more but you know that it's a lot easier / faster to do this rather than telling to the whole forum that they should not spread positive reputation points to every random member.

So, the whole concept behind this idea:

One would only be eligible to use the marketplace if he is at least 1 week old in the forum (therefore; he has read the rules, HF docs, knows where to search && what, etc, meet the other members, engage, contribute, etc)

Why I say that? It's called hackforums. I guess the forum is mainly focused on technology and not

in markets.. but since Omniscient has added marketplace in the forum he could make it available only for those who deserve it (at least a week old, positive rep).

This would prevent scammers from multi-accounting or at least discourage them somehow since they would be required to have positive reputation score & be at least a week old in the forum one each account. Plus, that all the others (we, you, everyone) would be getting to know more about them from the way they post / hunt for REP and maybe help the staff to identify multi-accounters/scammers.

That's just my opinion. What do you guys think? ?

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This is like one of the most important things to stop for good, it's been happening for quite some time now, holding the bag or robbing the bank in this case is pretty much the same. Shit ton of members with 1 random rep sell gift cards, they wont scam people who have common sense, but they'll scam someone who joined let's say yesterday, he still has no idea how HF works, and does he deserve to get scammed the other day because he trusted someone who can post in Marketplace? I know all deals are at your own risk and all that stuff, but jeez none read complete [Help Docs](#) on their first day, let's be real for a second, it's their fault if they get scammed but it can easily be prevented, and only mistake in this equation is community itself, stop +repping idiots who ask why they cant post, SIMPLE AS FUCKING THAT.

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(Feb 3, 2016 08:13 AM)Curt. Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Every member is going to get rep at some point. It doesn't matter whether it's the day they signed up or one month after signing up, they're gonna get it.

True but they wont get it after asking for it. And honestly, if they were to scam, would they wait a month to get rep? Think logically for a second, please.

N1nj4Styl3 - February 3, 2016, 7:22 am

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No, I did not mean that I have repped people for not being able to access the marketplace. I was talking generally about giving reputation to a new member.

There are some new members that deserved it.. but I never repped anyone with +3 but with +1 and in the mean time I'm increasing it if I see that they are HQ.

Prince™ - February 3, 2016, 7:35 am

At least now, someone has spoken about it. I really request people to stop doing that. Only people who really deserve to have the positive reputation to be able to post in the market place should be allowed to post over there or do any kind of deal.

Let them earn their right to post there.

Banana - February 3, 2016, 7:37 am

Just neg these kids then. They'll learn eventually (hopefully).

sonex - February 3, 2016, 7:38 am

(Feb 3, 2016 08:25 AM)- Sam - Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) There is nothing wrong when newer members create threads asking a question. Some newly registered members are genuinely asking for advice because they are not familiar with the [Help Docs](#).

Normally members post pointing them in the right direction, members are not obligated to give that individual reputation, members do it out of generosity I guess which is fine and allowed.

Why on earth are members doing transactions with newly registered people? That is their own fault for not taking precautions by looking at their join date.

You do realize this would be inevitable to prevent due to how many upgraded members there are on this forum. You can't restrict members for granting reputation because they may find a newcomer friendly and respectful.

Did you even care to read the thread? Who on earth said anything about genuine question? If you feel genuine question is "I want to sell, why I cant post in marketplace" then I have no idea since when you used Hackforums? It's obvious multi accounts and scammers who figured an easy way to access HF marketplace. When they try to post (the genuine ones) they see it asks for reputation, only dumb people wont figure it out.

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sonex - February 3, 2016, 7:48 am

(Feb 3, 2016 08:43 AM)- Sam - Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Report the thread and it will be junked. Problem solved. If a member gives the thread holder a positive during that time then we know who's to blame.

This is just a rant over something which is common sense.

But none implicitly said "give me rep", its just those HF Robin Hoods who hand out reps to members who knows how to exploit it. And how exactly will you blame anyone when Staff isnt involved? I'm not here to set rules, I'm here to rant how most people have no common sense whatsoever, and maybe just maybe after reading this it will stop, am I dreaming to much? I couldnt care less but someone had to speak about this issue and ask community as a whole to stop us all from looking like idiots and stop Omni from restricting shit cause we're dumb fucks. More clear now? I wasnt gonna argue lol, just open your eyes to issues this community is facing each day and fix it by ourselves, no staff, no admins no shit, but us.

AnonCensored - February 3, 2016, 7:53 am

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You basically said what I said and I'm ignorant? You're not here long enough to fully understand what I meant.

If they want to post in Marketplace for purchase they should have 25 posts and PM seller for a rep. (I do that and give them neutral that I eventually change).

If they want to sell as new members, they can give away few copies/keys whatever they sell to prove legitimacy. (not entirely good but still somewhat ok)

If they joined today, 20 mins later they ask how to get rep to sell, and they get rep, does that sound correct to you? That's all I pointed out. And to help regular users who don't use marketplace often, rep shouldn't be handed out, or let's just let everyone use marketplace, fuck the rules, right? Don't call me ignorant, I've seen this shit happen for years, if we can help ourselves not to ruin marketplace, then we should do just that.

Armada - February 3, 2016, 8:17 am

OP's point is not only valid, but seeing this constantly happen is annoying, although many members might have a valid reason to want to post in restrictive sections, it defeats the rules and ultimately gives new users the impression they can find circumventive measures around these same rules.

Personally these type of threads should be answered with a -10 just to prove the point rules are in place for a reason. Earn the right to post in these sections like everyone else.

//Edit - to add to this, numerous of these same members proceed to immediately commit marketplace violations. Another reason I suspect the limitation is in place to begin with.

Swip3r - February 3, 2016, 8:17 am

It's quite simple.

Don't trust randoms?

Thin - February 3, 2016, 8:18 am

I was wondering when someone was going to say something about this. It's about time it gets told what people are doing, I just assumed everyone knew this was a general rule of thumb not to deal with newer members.

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Hellsing - February 3, 2016, 10:39 am

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But what is "random" to you? You still get upgrades with 100+ Rep scamming people, selling their accounts, buying rep and so on.

sonex - February 3, 2016, 11:08 am

(Feb 3, 2016 09:52 AM)Swip3r Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I mean I see your point, but all it takes is some common sense and a quick look at the dispute section to realize rep doesn't mean shit I'm talking about regular users, not upgraded ones. Are you missing my point here?

(Feb 3, 2016 10:59 AM)xadamxk Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I don't like this thread. I think of myself as the Robin Hood of HF ?

No you're not :D

Xerotic - February 3, 2016, 11:16 am

I definitely agree with this. It is an absurd practice that honestly makes no sense at all (giving the members rep JUST so they can trade in the Marketplace). I personally believe instead of one or more positive reputation (1+) that it should be 10 or more positive reputation (10+) to post in the Marketplace. It would help curb some of the effects of this odd practice.

CPA Exposé - February 3, 2016, 12:11 pm

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SIM-2908357 - February 3, 2016, 12:41 pm

I would not have a problem with restricting the marketplace to upgraded members only. I think it's better for the safety of the forum.

Varane - February 3, 2016, 12:43 pm

There are tons of UB3R Lords that decide the fate of these users. No one should rep them negative or positive. You point them towards the help section or report them for rep hinting.

Jim Crow - February 3, 2016, 12:46 pm

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Thank you, seems as if I didnt explain very well, I've even added your quote in OP.

#Skyline - February 3, 2016, 1:36 pm

I agree with you, as I've seen this type of stuff happen, and it always seems to work out for the user posting the thread most of the time, and it's so bullshit.

Funtage - February 3, 2016, 6:59 pm

what happens if i want to make a multi and want to post in the marketplace real quick

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Dorrance - February 3, 2016, 7:26 pm

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Armada - February 3, 2016, 7:32 pm

(Feb 3, 2016 08:26 PM)Dorrance Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) TBH Keep complaining, the marketplace may end up being closed officially for selling purposes.

This is the least likely thing to happen, market place brings in membership, and membership drives the community.

The forum equation is not fucking rocket science, Omni says it all the time, posts drive the community.

Cibor - February 3, 2016, 7:54 pm

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please excuse my friend dorrance, he never has any idea what he's talking about

ok continue

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Well, fair enough, members shouldn't get +rep just because they make a thread about it.

Cooligan - February 3, 2016, 8:33 pm

Couldn't agree more.

This is pretty much the same thing as needing prestige to post in Innuendo or SRPP. There is a REASON why you can't post there that's been made very evident and clear.

I mean think about it. (to the members who do +rep the ones trying to post in the marketplace) This is your community, why would you want to add to the potential of scams by doing this? This is YOUR community. By positive repping these new members asking for it you're pretty much enabling them to scam if that's their intent and ultimately if someone gets scammed because of it, it should be your fault in a way.

I know Omni got rid of the rep abuse system a long time ago but it would absolutely help to be re-implemented and used to counteract these situations. Shit, I would be down to handle that. I hate seeing members get scammed and if there's something I can do to stop it then obviously I would. I don't know, just a thought I guess Omni. :P

Anyway, great thread, you brought some very valid points up.

wellager - February 4, 2016, 6:09 am

(Feb 3, 2016 08:05 AM)Rick Harrison Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I FUCKING HATE THIS BULLSHIT! MAKES ME SO MAD! FFFUUUUUUUUUUUCCCCCCCCCKKKKK!

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This is pretty bad bait

UTRONEX - February 4, 2016, 6:24 am

Yep this makes perfect sense.

I've seen reps after someone has posted in the lounge "+1/3 now you can post in the marketplace :)" I mean how fucking dumb have you got to be.

Didn't even consider this being a good enough thread until now. Kudos OP.

FSBN - February 4, 2016, 6:28 am

Marketplace for upgraded users so we get rid of people who scam for 10\$.

Hellsing - February 4, 2016, 9:40 am

(Feb 4, 2016 07:28 AM)FSBN Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Marketplace for upgraded users so we get rid of people who scam for 10\$.

Please, I can go find at least 5 upgraded users that scam for no more than \$15.

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Hey,

Seems like you have missed a few updates.

Omniscient banned the whole cents giveaway and now everyone must giveaway at least \$5.00 in total per each winner. No more rep buying with a few cents. ?

Wardow - February 4, 2016, 1:57 pm

The only time i've done it, the guy has more than 100 posts already, i doubt anyone would waste time doing 100 posts to scam in the marketplace.

I think it would be good if someone make an Escrow Plugin for MyBB, at least MyBB Forums like Hackforums could use it and provide a secure non-human based escrow, other than that, you could take fees for it if you find no point offering it to all members.

Realizm - February 4, 2016, 2:54 pm

Just make it so they need 20 positive rep to post in marketplace, or something where you can't rep the new members until they've been online X time or posted X times around the forum.

Unfortunately, these things won't solve very much, but these are just ideas that I thought of while typing so I'm sure there could be other/better ways to help stop this.

I believe, don't quote me on this, but I believe that Omni said that one day the marketplace will be an upgrade only place and that's just what it's coming to.

bkburger14 - February 4, 2016, 3:07 pm

(Feb 3, 2016 08:03 AM)sonex Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I've kept this in myself so for a such long time hoping someone else will use common sense because I dont normally post here or post anything like this. Why the fuck you +rep new members who post in this section saying they cant post in Marketplace? You're basically making forum rules look retarded. There's a reason new members cant post in marketplace, a REASON, and it's quite simple one, to prevent any random Joe in scamming people just because you gave them a +rep.

I could link to shit ton of threads but I'm sure those who read this will find themselves in my words and stop with it already, you aint no Robin Hood of Hackforums if you "help" a new member use marketplace. Recently this happened.

- <https://hackforums.net/showthread.php?tid=5157240> (It's junked now lol)

It's this guy - <https://hackforums.net/showthread.php?tid=5152996&pid=49672575#pid49672575>

He got a +rep to post in Marketplace selling PayPal cash card, and even offers to pay for it. For us who are here for longer amount of time we know this is bullshit, but what about others, what about new members who see such good opportunity thinking "wow this looks good, imma go and grab it"? You basically LET THEM do it, then scam occurs, then disputes, then Omni closes whole CE section, then HF looks like a scam playground. This is a serious issue with mindset of upgraded users here, there's ton of other ways to help community, you're just making us all look like idiots by helping those who ARE NOT ALLOWED in marketplace, rules says that, not me. They hook you up with a nice story like "i want to offer something good", and then they scam, I'd fucking close not only scammers account but those who +repped them as well.

Or this too - <https://hackforums.net/showthread.php?tid=5153666>

See. he asked why, got rep, probably tried doing shit but someone stopped him and then he never came back online?

Will you start using fucking common sense and stop +repping new members who make up stories how they cant use marketplace? It's not the majority of scams from normal member, but you can never know what happens when 2 normal members make a deal, hence the reason NEW members cant use marketplace, it's for their own safety and safety of others. Jesus fucking christ, fucking stone age thinking, you're ruining it for all of us.

/rantover

TL:DR Thanks to Jim Crow.I totally agree with you but on this forum people that have +rep or that are able to give it out, think they have some sort of superiority over other members. This kind of behavior is the result of negative rep when it is not necessary. There are plenty of members that have been for ages but that are still stuck with neutral rep. I'm not disagreeing with you im just saying there is little opportunity to gain rep unless you provide some sort of service or application.

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For example, yeah, I would give you a positive reputation to you. You seem good and you have been here on site since 2012 and your trust scan looks fine.

If you really want to increase your reputation point you would better start involving more with the forum. Contributing, talking, chatting, etc is a nice factor to increase your "existence" on site.

LaFerrari - February 4, 2016, 3:14 pm

I am actually guilty of this when I first got L33t ? ?

But yeah I do see why it's stupid and fully agree with you.

J. McCarthy - February 4, 2016, 5:00 pm

Why would you get scammed simply because someone has the ability to post in a section?

If you purchase a (PayPal Cash Card) from a new member with +1 or +3 and 100 posts whose fault is it? Yours.

I simply don't see how this would prevent scamming. It doesn't prevent users from viewing the forum, therefore they can still go out and buy an item and chargeback with an autobuy. Or they can simply gain 25 posts and send a PM.

You bring up good points that people shouldn't continuously hand out rep I'm not arguing that. I don't see how it plays into heavy scamming though

(Feb 4, 2016 03:54 PM)Realizm Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Just make it so they need 20 positive rep to post in marketplace, or something where you can't rep the new members until they've been online X time or posted X times around the forum. Unfortunately, these things won't solve very much, but these are just ideas that I thought of while typing so I'm sure there could be other/better ways to help stop this.

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PERSONALLY I see more new members buying stuff in the market than selling outside of currency exchange maybe? When we had it atleast.

Just my \$0.02

(Feb 4, 2016 10:43 AM)H?avoc Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Not really.

Most rep is bought anyways, face it. A giveaway for upgraded users only is basically just a trade for reputation (unless it's the graphics section, than I could understand). It's not that hard to do a giveaway of something worth 50 cents than get 10+ reputation in return.

I thought giveaways in those amounts were no longer welcome here?

NoMercy - February 4, 2016, 5:03 pm

This is true. To prevent against this couldn't we make it like 10 reps and then it would make it harder for scammers to make accounts and walk in here and get right into the marketplace?

Herbert - February 4, 2016, 5:05 pm

there should be a rule made against complaining the ability not to post in the marketplace in my opinion.

TheEntrepreneur - February 4, 2016, 5:13 pm

"Why the fuck you +rep new members who post in this section saying they cant post in Marketplace?"

In some situations it is because they were scammed and need to post a report. In my instance it was so i could question and find out info before i purchase a product

Senpie - February 4, 2016, 6:15 pm

(Feb 3, 2016 08:12 AM)Mr Kewl Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Instead of adding more restrictions, can't we just stop being a little stupid for a change? ?

That would be nice, but sadly people would still do this along with many other things. But there could always be a ban-wave (temp/perm) to show that enough is enough. Just throwing ideas out there. ?

All Business - February 4, 2016, 9:31 pm

Okay so since I'm in this thread I would like to reply and say I never asked for the rep in the first place. Second , I posted that I have a Paypal My Cash card that I needed to somehow get on my Paypal balance as I couldn't do so myself. I was simply asking around who could do this , I had the receipt and card available. The person that gave me the rep (which I don't know and didn't ask for it

) received a PM from me asking about the subject and he didn't know so I took it to a public post to see if I could. Which is when i was negative repped by you and the other guy changed his rep to a negative. I have done multiple trades on here already and still haven't gotten any rep as well as help people out. Just because I don't want to spam ub3r members with weird messages asking if they want to help doesn't mean I wouldn't earn rep on my own. I never cared/complained I just simply wanted to know where I could use the Paypal cash card.

I'll wait for the ub3rs and such to bash me cause that's how things work.

Also @OP , you said you didn't care ... seems like you care bruh

[Rant] giving free methods on monetizing and hoping for rep to make your sales look legit doesn't make you a monetizing expert [/Rant]

kiahnna - February 4, 2016, 10:32 pm

I don't really see a problem with ubers giving the newbies reps since no one will trust them anyway (especially if the person who repped them said something like "read the [Help Docs](#) next time") but then again I only trust a select few

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5chn4pp - February 4, 2016, 10:35 pm

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_x8e8QwPofc

sonex - February 4, 2016, 10:48 pm

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GOOGLE-SEO - February 4, 2016, 10:52 pm

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I suggest get over it , if thats what your issue is.....?

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I have nothing to go over lol, do you even read bro? My issue? Jeez, stone age thinking.

Vanilja - February 4, 2016, 10:55 pm

I usually neg them if I see someone giving them +rep.

?MIN?M - February 4, 2016, 10:58 pm

Yeah you make sense. Obviously the rule is to deter scammers, but some people feel like " oh ill

help him out so he can add currency to the HF river" not thinking about why the rule is there.

Some people come here just for the marketplace, im sure a ton of old members first came here for the marketplace too.

I agree with you tho

flamery - February 4, 2016, 11:17 pm

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Armada - February 5, 2016, 3:49 am

Kinda surprised staff has not chirped in on this this one yet. Guess I will keep checking back.

Dips - February 5, 2016, 5:59 am

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Excuse me?

Armada - February 5, 2016, 7:23 am

(Feb 5, 2016 06:59 AM)Rick Harrison Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Excuse me?

I think he meant that if a user really wanted rep to post in the market place they simply need to apply themselves.

N1nj4Styl3 - February 5, 2016, 7:51 am

(Feb 5, 2016 06:59 AM)Rick Harrison Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Excuse me?

He means that if someone wants +rep badly, they will find a way to have it.

Tyler? - February 5, 2016, 7:59 am

I agree so much with this. I see it all the time and it's annoying.

I'm surprised there isn't a rule against it.

Azymis - February 5, 2016, 11:36 am

Well, although it requires 1 REP point to post in the market place, it doesn't really deem them trustworthy.

I understand completely where you're trying to get at, but NO ONE will ever trust anyone with ONE rep point.

OnTheFly - February 5, 2016, 1:07 pm

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Armada - February 5, 2016, 2:27 pm

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70s - February 5, 2016, 3:22 pm

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Well put same way i got my first few rep was buying things and it helps even more cause you then have some vouches so people can trust you a bit more

Kebabs - February 5, 2016, 5:45 pm

they end up copping more negs then positives anyway.

All Business - February 5, 2016, 9:52 pm

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It actually is about "them" as you gave me neg rep and didn't give neg rep to the ub3r that + repped me because of the fear of getting negative repped back and the other ub3r changed his rep on me cause he is scared of other hf members.

GG nice win , finally found something you're good at ? This is virtual ...

Viral Dragon - February 5, 2016, 10:01 pm

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I disagree a bit. I would say most of the time there curious . IF they are a new member they are probably gonna have to go first most of the time in a deal. The biggest problem with HF is people that scam hundreds off dollars yet i see them with 800+ rep ? Like what teh fuck

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C'mon man..

Big Meech - February 6, 2016, 12:40 am

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huren - February 6, 2016, 1:29 am

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u wot m8 - February 6, 2016, 1:53 am

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Yes but not every member has to ask about it.

iPerses - February 6, 2016, 1:59 am

I remember seeing that happen so much, I always used to neg them after to.

/multi.

./Omni PM

./Eventual Unban over nonsense.

./ Doubtful but I won't quit.

sonex - February 6, 2016, 2:27 am

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I'm starting to wonder whether everyone here misses a brain cell or what? This is what drives marketplace to death, people who share this kind of thinking when it comes to safety. If you could save a regular not getting scammed by regular just because some idiot +repped him, you could make this a nice place and have more sales on your own products as well. Shall I repeat how this is all on us, the community? Omni cant force this rule, so its us who has to prevent it. This doesnt happen often enough for rules to be in place, also you cant tell how many regulars scam regulars on daily basis, because guess what, they cant post DD. As I said 2 days ago, stone age thinking.

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That's another set of shoes though, use common sense when dealing and dont trust anyone. Case closed on that one.

Now back to the issue where +rep is being handed like a cookie on halloween to new members wanting to "sell".

Apostle - February 6, 2016, 2:55 am

I'm pretty sure it actually does give you a message box if you less than +3 rep saying that you can't post yet since you need more than +3

so not sure why they stupidly make these threads

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the fault does not only lie with those whom can make a newbie into a god, it lies in the system itself. Mods and Mentors don't have the power to absolutely confirm a multiple unless you're saying it.

I'm only saying it because I want my account back. I don't want to go make another and another because in the end guess what? I would end up on private proxy and scamming retards for rep to post in the MP. Free money much?

It's not only the people joining though, the system itself is flawed. Hf either needs more mods, or mentors need more power.

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Its not the posters fault but you sure did put me at fault , I didn't even make a thread suggesting rep , I simply asked what OTHER site could you exchange a paypal my cash card , in which someone could have told me localbitcoins (where I exchanged the card you accused me of carding) which i found. Instead I recieved a rep (unasked for) then posted in the marketplace only to be neg repped and the first rep changed into a neg rep. This world and this site is corrupt with over power ub3rs who buy awards so that they can look like they know what they're talking about. Once again @OP you are good at making yourself look good for other forum members with your false accusations on me but congrats to you. Now try something else , like an outside activity and leep conquering the world instead of wasting time ranting on here. Do you even know what's going on in the real world ?

Ghost Rider™ - February 6, 2016, 10:15 am

I completely agree with you in this. There is a rule which is made to not allow members to post in Marketplace.

It is a clear violation of it and making the rule useless.

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Kolyamba - February 6, 2016, 2:55 pm

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Armada - February 7, 2016, 7:35 am

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One of our members actively petitions to have restrictions placed on the RAT section, and was successful, I thought it a good idea at first myself, until the end result appeared, RAT topics in every other fucking category.

I simply gave up trying to instruct people to keep in right forum, and I can understand the frustration in not being able to make a thread in the correct section, or marketplace for example, it is once again the simple example of simply earn it elsewhere.

Again, this really is a moot topic. There is no reason for staff or administration to lift these restrictions, I honestly only see more being added in the future if things keep going in the direction they are.

Vanilja - February 9, 2016, 1:18 pm

2 minutes ago, exactly the kind of thread you are talking about appeared.

People instantly giving +rep, the fuck is wrong with people.

minimalist - February 9, 2016, 1:24 pm

Expediting the time required for the scammer to pull off their scam doesn't change the likelihood of them scamming if they were already planning that scam.

clothduck - February 10, 2016, 9:32 am

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webdev77 - February 10, 2016, 10:16 am

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Jose"the real 1" - February 10, 2016, 10:19 am

calm ur tits bro, i think i can who ever rep who i want :P like it would change the fact that the mp is allways allready a place where many scam happen!

clothduck - February 10, 2016, 11:22 am

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Kaleb - February 10, 2016, 11:25 am

You have somewhat of a point but here's a few things I can tell you that kind of crush it:

Rep is only as meaningful as everyone always made it out to be here, really it's fucking pointless. I could go shitpost in the lounge for 15 minutes if that and get positive rep on my new account (if you noticed I already have achieved that) and I've done it every single time that I've made a new account here in the past which has been quite a number of times now. I could also kiss-ass, or release some stupid guide that was already publicly posted on another forum to gain rep, I've done it all in the past. Gaining reputation here is so fucking easy if you make it your entire point of being here.

In addition to that, the seller can check a persons rep and see what they got repped for, does it involve successful trades in the past? Okay then that gives some indication he could be a good trader, is it some lounge whore saying lol this niggas funny? Then maybe you tell him to go first.

Also scamming is more of a mindset, if the niggas here to scam he's here to scam, he will wait until he has positive rep or he'll get in with some other scammer or it will happen with time, it is entirely up to the seller to not be retarded.

All Business - February 10, 2016, 11:39 am

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Armada - February 10, 2016, 11:44 am

(Feb 10, 2016 12:39 PM)All Business Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I am receiving negative rep from this thread, can you say abuse ?

Nope, all valid rep.

Xch4ng3 - February 10, 2016, 11:55 am

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At the end of the day it's a number. Your right, back in the days before rep abuse, we were allowed to ask for rep and even offer it in return for items. People started using reputation points as an indicator of trust, which as you pointed out is pretty stupid considering you can get rep for literally ANYTHING. Imho, this should have never happened. No one trading on here should be using a number that can be easily inflated (or even deflated) as an indication of trust. Instead, we somehow see ++++rep as ++++++TRUST ME TRUST ME.

Let's not pretend like this isn't an issue - why is it that I can jump on LocalBitcoins as a new user and literally pay with anything. I'd be more likely to get scammed on eBay as a first time buyer than LocalBitcoins, simply because of the mandatory escrow for sellers meaning that you will always have confirmation that the funds are held. As a buyer, I have no reason to NOT pay and the seller has NO reason to not release escrow because being a responsible buyer. There are other ways to keep the marketplace secure and safe, without the need for using rep. Use middlemen, there's plenty out there. Would you rather pay \$5 and have security in mind or nothing and risk losing it all?

The way I see to solve this issue - and the reason why I don't think you can really solve it:

- You can't expect the whole community to conform. Expect resistance.
- You'd have to overhaul the whole reputation system, rewrite policy and do some pretty big changes to make sure this is effective.
- WE are the problem, until we stop seeing rep as indication of trust we will always care about reputation.
- In order to enforce this, you have to make it clear site policy as to what is acceptable with rep and what isn't (it's already very clear though if you read the help documents)...the problem is, the moment someone mentions rep they either get +/- which they then believe is abuse, or idiots counter each others rep leaving the creator of the thread with an artificially inflated rep, which he wouldn't have if the thread was never created. Now I try to tell people just not to mention it, but the truth is members will make those kinds of thread regardless of what policy says.

Vanilja - February 10, 2016, 12:28 pm

(Feb 10, 2016 12:22 PM)clothduck Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I just find it frustrating when I tried to post before and then it rejects it saying I need rep. Can't PM and can't post in the marketplace meant someone lost a sale. You need 25 (or 50) posts to PM, can't be so fucking hard to get that.

clothduck - February 10, 2016, 12:49 pm

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Honestly this site has some of the best measures against ban evading I've ever seen. But I'm not using VPNs or proxies or anything at the moment, just my regular internet. Otherwise your post is pretty solid m9 agreed ?

sonex - February 10, 2016, 1:05 pm

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All Business - February 12, 2016, 8:50 pm

Seems like you took the bigger fall in this rep thing , not that I care or anything but at least you'll recover from it :)

Elegant - February 12, 2016, 9:04 pm

I see this many times all over the forum, it's very annoying.

clothduck - February 13, 2016, 2:40 am

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I don't get anything about what you said. I read it twice and am still was baffled. I like the forum and often have no reason to post. Often someone has already posted the exact thing I would have said.

I already know the stupidity of ubers and their ability to neg rep. I don't care about nonsense like that. I think it's a good way of weeding out the stupidity of them. This forum is full of kids who think awards and rep mean everything. I feel the opposite is true. When I see someone with a ton of bought awards I consider them to be a fool.

Big Meech - February 15, 2016, 12:40 am

This isnt a problem... If anything a new member that has not much rep has a higher chance of getting scammed then a high ranked uber ?? Wanna know why? Because who goes first in a transaction? The person with less rep...

BooGod - February 15, 2016, 12:16 pm

Well, I agree with OP. And I got neg rep from members (which I don't care, just explaining) because I neg repped another normal member with the same history and other members just say that some of ub3rs are only douchebags lol. No, you said the reason because why I neg rep when I see posts like your example.

SSlueSkies - February 15, 2016, 12:38 pm

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Incognito™ - February 15, 2016, 1:33 pm

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Mons - February 15, 2016, 2:12 pm

Sonex, there can be more reasons as to why a new member would need to post in the marketplace.

Gummo - February 15, 2016, 2:15 pm

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It's a clusterfuck. All it does is artificially inflate a user's rep.

For example:

I post a thread asking why I'm not allowed to post in the marketplace (let's assume I'm new, even though the message clearly says you need positive reputation.)

Someone feels sorry for me, they +rep me.

Someone sees this and they -rep me to negate it.

The cycle repeat its self until that persons reputation is ruined unless they get a fresh start - which would be unfair because then every member could reset every time they got negative.

SwordofJustice - February 15, 2016, 3:04 pm

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Allowing 13 year old kids to sell "ideas" is the closest thing to a surefire scam on this forum.

Incognito™ - February 15, 2016, 3:11 pm

Make a new group that's reviewed kinda like ub3r that allows a user to make marketplace threads. Keeps LQ skids out of the marketplace I.E Fewer scams.

Might take a bit to get everything up to speed but in the long run just ends up generating revenue for omni and gives members on HF an understanding of whos products they wish to buy from.

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I get your point but at the end of the day, Omni puts these rules in for a reason. We can question them, but if we don't like them we're under no obligation to stay here.

Imho though, when certain things get banned it's because they've become an issue. Certain

products aren't allowed to be sold here such as Apple because morons kept on flooding the market with socially engineered products. It's a shame because it means if I wanted to sell my own personal Apple products I can't, which sucks because it means my alternative is to sell it to a mobile recycler who will pay me maybe 20% of RRP or go to eBay and deal with all that hassle & pay extra fees. So in a sense we only have ourselves to blame because we don't let good things stay.

I also think Omni gets put into these positions sometimes. For example, CE scams. How many fucking times does someone have to be told? Do not use reputation as an indicator of trust. Do not send any money you can't afford to lose unless you are 100% certain you can retrieve it. You simply wouldn't give \$100 to someone you met on the street so why the fuck are you doing it online? We have plenty of middlemen too, but hardly anyone uses them, personally because I feel it elongates the deal. Yet, people still complained about CE scams, so Omni shut down the CE section. No CE section, no CE scams - there you go, your problems are now solved.

Regarding eBooks, it's a joke but I'm sure I've said this before, things won't change until the people here change. Most people join thinking "omg I'm going to buy a \$20 eBook and I'm rich"....it's that kind of mindset that makes people lose.

Maybe HF should offer life-coaching advice because either everyone here is under the age of 12 or people have serious flaws in how they understand the world works & I mean that in the nicest way possible.

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Grumpy Otaku - February 15, 2016, 9:25 pm

THIS. YES. THIS. FINALLY SOMEONE MADE A THREAD. THIS SHIT HAS PISSED ME OFF SINCE I JOINED HF. DON'T REP SOME NEW MEMBER JUST SO THEY CAN SELL SHIT, LET THEM EARN IT BY DOING ACTUAL WORK AND BEING HQ. (sorry for all caps)

The Director - February 16, 2016, 2:14 am

Never really understood lol.... Seen people with 8 post get like 2 rep... wtf lol

Cammy - February 16, 2016, 12:04 pm

I don't understand why this thread isn't closed by now. We could discuss related subjects forever, and I think OP's point got across by now (even got an award for his rant).

All Business - February 18, 2016, 1:05 am

Nice , OP got an award for ranting about "me". Although . I never directly nor indirectly asked for rep.

nadavgamer - February 20, 2016, 5:36 am

Thank You Very Much For Posting Help's Alot !!

Kuso - February 20, 2016, 7:25 am

I understand what you're trying to say. Do you also realize the community's general thoughts on rep? I mean if you want rep you decide to sit in the lounge for a bit just dicking around.

New user be like: okay, got all the rep I need from lounge and I seem chill. Let's start working on the marketplace. = possible reports.

Granny Bacon - February 23, 2016, 9:52 am

Well OP, you contradicted yourself. I never got rich using your E-books.
Thanks for the good rant.

"Monetizing expert".. My ass..

Hopsin - February 27, 2016, 8:24 am

Hi.

You see, at first many people including me .. didn't believed that sonex is liar and all that stuff is from some real/fake competitors/haters.

After a while, I realized that you are an complete liar which cannot control your anger.

At first you claimed to have an account on the website they said but you couldn't even PM Orgy from there. Then, you deleted your posts.

You made up another fake story that you never said that you have an account on that website. Then stopped replying, then stopped helping your OWN customers.

Your own customers, started chargebacks and opened scam report. You even were repkilled but I am surprised that you are not banned. You can't solve this as professional because you are not and never will be. You are just the usual person who rages on everything. Typical childish behavior. After that, I have provided the community report to other people when they ask if sonex is legit. Oh yeah. Guess what. Things got heated because of your non-stop rage and you even posted an fake reputation on me (and others) that I deal \$1 for rep without proof? Grow up and learn to resolve issues instead of making more.

Have a nice day.

Himitsu - February 27, 2016, 8:58 am

Well met, sonex. We thank you for your recent Pornhub™ purchase! Your DVD orders Top Deckin' and Wreckin, Big Dame Cunter, BlondeGringo the ShagMasta, This is my donger scrub... yeah, beat it, and Savage Whore Combo should arrive within the week. As always, we thank you for your business, loyal customer!

Sophocles - February 27, 2016, 9:05 am

Honestly, all members will at some point obtain a positive reputation, they can just share something they have found elsewhere and make some upgraded member happy or give some advices or just talk some decent shit and there you go.

If you're dumb enough to deal with untrustable users, then it's your own fault.

For example, I have a sales thread for Sentry configs, I sell my configs for 5-20\$ so it's not a big amount, but before I was able to get a customer, I had to give out a vouch copy of my service to prove it legitimate !

Now I have many vouches and I have never had any problem with any user for any transaction of any amount!

Riggs - February 27, 2016, 9:17 am

Scamming will never be completely avoidable for anyone unless they stop trading. We can only do what is possible to mitigate some of the associated risks, and build an environment in which scamming is made more difficult within our community. More emphasis should be put on member accountability. Some HF members that get scammed simply have the brain capacity of a goldfish and are gullible enough to trust every member they facilitate a trade with.

Granny Bacon - February 27, 2016, 10:05 am

He just contradicted himself by making a thread like this.

SourMan - February 27, 2016, 10:22 am

How about the fact that people with really high rep count + awards scamming new members? I seen

a lot of ubers taking advantage over new members just because of their rep count or because they spent \$40 on a subscription

JammyHack440 - February 28, 2016, 9:14 am

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Hopsin - February 28, 2016, 9:50 am

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This isn't BS. OP got caught after lying which is embarrassing. He have tons of scam reports, abuses the system etc etc. Read the whole story here :

<https://hackforums.net/showthread.php?tid=5160567> ?