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Thread: [Username Visible Characters](#)

Omniscient - September 4, 2016, 3:42 pm

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Orchid - September 4, 2016, 3:43 pm

Put it where it hurts u big boy love u

Yassuo - September 4, 2016, 3:44 pm

Damn I guess I gotta change mine asap :(

W?lf - September 4, 2016, 3:46 pm

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SoulZeh - September 4, 2016, 3:47 pm

I like this change, seen a lot of people using them and it's so confusing.

Parks - September 4, 2016, 3:47 pm

Looks like I'm gonna have to learn a lot of new usernames..

John Franklin III - September 4, 2016, 3:48 pm

(Sep 4, 2016 03:46 PM)W?lf Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Hey Omni! I currently have the username Wolf because I love the clean look of it. I am using I think what is called an invisible character though I'm not sure if I am violating this rule because if so I will change this immediately!
If you have 4 visible real characters in your name you will be fine.

So for example if you have "wolf" as four ma in characters then an invisible character after I believe that should be ok.

J?son - September 4, 2016, 3:48 pm

Right in the feels ?

Xepher The Cat - September 4, 2016, 3:48 pm

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W?lf - September 4, 2016, 3:50 pm

(Sep 4, 2016 03:48 PM)Xepher The Cat Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Looks like you have 4 visible characters to me.

I am using something different to pretty much take the username "Wolf" since the original one is taken and closed. I was told that what i was using is an invisible character so I'm not really sure. Just trying to make sure so i don't get rekd.

FiftyTwo - September 4, 2016, 3:51 pm

Just received a warning level for this. :(
Have no idea what I can call myself now lol.
Probs something including 52 in it.

Meow - September 4, 2016, 3:52 pm

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Wtf are you not understanding? you have 4 visible characters, you are fine

Soulmate~?? - September 4, 2016, 3:52 pm

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An invisible character is something like my userbar. I think if you have 4 visible characters and invisible ones after you're good

W?If - September 4, 2016, 3:53 pm

(Sep 4, 2016 03:52 PM)Meow? Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Wtf are you not understanding? you have 4 visible characters, you are fine
Yea i understand, I was reading it a different way calm down. I was told that I'm fine so it's all good.

Byakuya Kuchiki - September 4, 2016, 3:53 pm

Is this effective immediately or will there be a leeway period to give members enough time to change it?

SuicideSquad - September 4, 2016, 3:54 pm

(Sep 4, 2016 03:52 PM)Meow? Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Wtf are you not understanding? you have 4 visible characters, you are fine
I don't see his visible characters? do u see mine?

Description - September 4, 2016, 3:54 pm

I'm glad my username wasn't taken.

b?xxy - September 4, 2016, 3:54 pm

Glad this doesn't affect me. Thank you.

Meow - September 4, 2016, 3:54 pm

(Sep 4, 2016 03:54 PM)SuicideSquad Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I don't see his visible characters? do u see mine?
Well, doesn't matter if I see it or not, you have 4+ visible characters so you are (also) fine.

Yassuo - September 4, 2016, 3:55 pm

Damn I had to change my name right quick before I get into much trouble

SuicideSquad - September 4, 2016, 3:56 pm

(Sep 4, 2016 03:54 PM)Meow? Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Well, doesn't matter if I see it or not, you have 4+ visible characters so you are (also) fine. ooooh I feel stupid ok so its not allowed to have blank

names or 2 invisible characters with only 2 visible characters

champagnpapi - September 4, 2016, 3:59 pm

<http://prntscr.com/ce6p4u>

Until i think something new..

Yassuo - September 4, 2016, 4:02 pm

So if I take the name "Grimmjow" with 1 hidden character thats fine right?

Ongoing - September 4, 2016, 4:08 pm

(Sep 4, 2016 04:02 PM)Grimmjow ? Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) So if I take the name "Grimmjow" with 1 hidden character thats fine right?

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champagnpapi - September 4, 2016, 4:10 pm

(Sep 4, 2016 04:02 PM)Grimmjow ? Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) So if I take the name "Grimmjow" with 1 hidden character thats fine right?

You can keep as much hidden characters as you want,but you must have 4 visible ones.

M?xim - September 4, 2016, 4:11 pm

Sounds like a solid rule with good reasons behind it.

minimalist - September 4, 2016, 4:12 pm

Interesting new policy, trying to comprehend the purpose of it but I have no ideas. Does it have something to do with the other invisible characters restriction?

Oh, it's probably you trying to limit the use of those characters.

Submit. - September 4, 2016, 4:15 pm

Omni should give people some time to change it if people are offline or something. Unless he wanred of this coming please correct me.

Vince - September 4, 2016, 4:26 pm

(Sep 4, 2016 04:15 PM)Submit. Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Omni should give people some time to change it if people are offline or something. Unless he wanred of this coming please correct me.

It has been in the rules for a long time now, just everyone here must of skipped reading and comprehension in school.

Cooligan - September 4, 2016, 4:30 pm

Invisible characters have always been annoying.

Nice change.

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It would be nice if invisible characters weren't allowed in FRONT of the other characters, that way those people's names could actually show up when using the search function.

Sadistic - September 4, 2016, 4:42 pm

(Sep 4, 2016 03:42 PM)Omniscient Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) and turning into mush.

Dam. New company right here... HFBaby-food

630 - September 4, 2016, 4:48 pm

Am I in the clear on this if my username was made back in 2011 without special characters?

~ Left HF For Good ~ - September 4, 2016, 4:49 pm

(Sep 4, 2016 04:48 PM)630 Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Am I in the clear on this if my username was made back in 2011 without special characters?

You should be since you don't have any special characters in your name. He also said he wouldn't force anyone to change their username.

630 - September 4, 2016, 4:52 pm

(Sep 4, 2016 04:49 PM)Ominous Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) You should be since you don't have any special characters in your name. He also said he wouldn't force anyone to change their username. Thanks for the heads up. I was under that assumption but just wanted to be sure.

#0usernamechangesclub4lyfe

M?xim - September 4, 2016, 4:54 pm

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Where did he say that? Anyway then he'll just turn their account into mush? No reason to force anyone, but expect the mush part then I'd guess.

Christian Louboutin - September 4, 2016, 4:55 pm

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Come @ me, I dare you bro

~ Left HF For Good ~ - September 4, 2016, 4:58 pm

(Sep 4, 2016 04:54 PM)That Guy Maxim Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Where did he say that? Anyway then he'll just turn their account into mush? No reason to force anyone, but expect the mush part then I'd guess.

He said it way earlier in the post.

Edit: Just noticed that isn't this thread.

Malthemar - September 4, 2016, 5:01 pm

(Sep 4, 2016 04:52 PM)630 Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Thanks for the heads up. I was under that assumption but just wanted to be sure. #0usernamechangesclub4lyfe

If I were you, I wouldn't trust what Ominous has to say.

Wait for Omniscient to reply to the thread.

If he doesn't, maybe you should talk to him directly.

~ Left HF For Good ~ - September 4, 2016, 5:01 pm

(Sep 4, 2016 04:52 PM)630 Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Thanks for the heads up. I was under that assumption but just wanted to be sure. #0usernamechangesclub4lyfe

Take that back, I am not sure. I thought this was a different thread at first, but it says you need 4 visible characters. So honestly I am not sure.

M?xim - September 4, 2016, 5:06 pm

(Sep 4, 2016 04:52 PM)630 Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Thanks for the heads up. I was under that assumption but just wanted to be sure. #0usernamechangesclub4lyfe

Hopefully you do not have to change your name because that is one dope signature. Never seen anything like it.

Omniscient - September 4, 2016, 6:06 pm

Quote:He also said he wouldn't force anyone to change their username.

I've always had the policy about minimum visible characters as informal. But I would always take action against one or two character accounts and allow 3 characters visible. But officially this is now set and I've placed it at 4 minimum.

Malthemar - September 4, 2016, 6:08 pm

(Sep 4, 2016 04:48 PM)630 Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Am I in the clear on this if my username was made back in 2011 without special characters?

Looks like you're changing your name, dude.

I have sent 630 a PM.

Ratt - September 4, 2016, 6:08 pm

Use me as an example, don't use the invisible characters.

ZuGgY - September 4, 2016, 6:47 pm

Great to see this enforced.

Thanks for the update!

YinYang - September 5, 2016, 12:26 am

Damn aha, there are a lot of 3 characters out there.

Does Unicode count as a visible character? Like a TM?

Also does anybody know why this was done? It seems like an odd rule, is it to help search for users?

~ Left HF For Good ~ - September 5, 2016, 1:25 am

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Most likely to help deal with scammer.

Sharjah - September 5, 2016, 2:39 am

Unsure if my username is allowed or not considering the B is a special character? I understand this is for the invisible chars, but I heard any sort of special characters in usernames are not allowed?

Soulmate~?? - September 5, 2016, 2:41 am

(Sep 5, 2016 02:39 AM)Bronx Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Unsure if my username is allowed or not considering the B is a special character? I understand this is for the invisible chars, but I heard any sort of special characters in usernames are not allowed?

I think that this is the thread you're looking for

<https://hackforums.net/showthread.php?tid=5386200>

Ambien - September 9, 2016, 9:19 pm

Would this user's username count as a violation?

<https://hackforums.net/member.php?action=profile&uid=2761500>

Night - September 9, 2016, 9:20 pm

(Sep 9, 2016 09:19 PM)Ambien Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Would this user's username count as a violation?

<https://hackforums.net/member.php?action=profile&uid=2761500>

Yes that would count as a violation.

O t t o - September 10, 2016, 3:13 am

I'm just curious if my username is allowed or not?

Raleway - September 10, 2016, 4:38 am

(Sep 10, 2016 03:13 AM)O t t o Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I'm just curious if my username is allowed or not?

You have 4 visible characters so I think it is, but not certain. ?

V O X - September 10, 2016, 4:43 am

I only have 3. but I cannot change it because i'm not upgraded?

Nate - September 10, 2016, 8:42 am

Just made it..barely

Luck of the draw

\$lick - September 10, 2016, 4:33 pm

(Sep 10, 2016 04:43 AM)V O X Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I only have 3. but I cannot change it because i'm not upgraded?

Well you have no hidden characters (since space isn't really a hidden character) so you're not intentionally breaking the rules.

I'm sure you'll be fine.

(Sep 10, 2016 03:13 AM)O t t o Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I'm just curious if my username is allowed or not?

Bet - September 10, 2016, 10:29 pm

Real glad to see this implemented, was always a pain trying to search

Ninja - September 18, 2016, 2:32 pm

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Gary - September 18, 2016, 7:38 pm

Would these be violations?

<https://hackforums.net/member.php?action=profile&uid=1871421>

<https://hackforums.net/member.php?action=profile&uid=113705>

<https://hackforums.net/member.php?action=profile&uid=2261218>

<https://hackforums.net/member.php?action=profile&uid=2071262>

<https://hackforums.net/member.php?action=profile&uid=2887103>

<https://hackforums.net/member.php?action=profile&uid=797403>

<https://hackforums.net/member.php?action=profile&uid=2554239>

only some accounts I've found D:

'Ben - September 19, 2016, 2:13 am

So I have to change my username :/ Well that sucks