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Thread: [Question about Group Management.](#)

Mr. Robot - December 4, 2016, 10:09 pm

So on the group management page, you get an Email and a PM button. Now for me the Email button doesn't work for whatever reason - obviously no permission to use it, but I was curious as to if Group Owners have access to the button and are able to see users emails from it?

I highly doubt the answer is yes, but it was just something that I was wanting to clear up.

The URL when moused over is

Code <https://hackforums.net/member.php?action=emailuser&uid=2682887>
2682887 being my UID in this example.

SIM-2015410 - December 4, 2016, 10:11 pm

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Mr. Robot - December 4, 2016, 10:12 pm

(Dec 4, 2016 11:11 PM)MeshCollider Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) No I don't believe owners have the ability either
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Like nobody uses the WWW feature for users websites under each post, but they use the website listed on users profiles.

SIM-2015410 - December 4, 2016, 10:14 pm

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I think its just part of MyBB itself which Omni hasn't removed, because I think only admins have the permission to email members. Those without the button have probably disabled the "Receive emails from administrators"

Zexo - December 4, 2016, 10:15 pm

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Maybe just admin.

Punisher - December 4, 2016, 10:21 pm

(Dec 4, 2016 11:09 PM)Mr. Robot Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I was curious as to if Group Owners have access to the button and are able to see users emails from it?

Can they see the users email? No.

Can they use it to send emails to users? I have no idea.

I believe the way the button would work is it would send an email through the HackForums mail-server to the corresponding email attached to the specified users account ID.

Views - December 4, 2016, 11:46 pm

I am a group owner and I can confirm that whenever I click the email button it shows up with a you aren't authorized access message (the one you get when you click a group subforum that you're not in)

Hope this helps.

SUI-3183372 - December 4, 2016, 11:50 pm

Even if you are authorized, I don't believe you get access to their email. You are brought to a page where you can compose an email and send it, then it is sent through the forum's mailer. I do not know what the return address is.

SUI-3183372 - December 5, 2016, 12:54 am

(Dec 5, 2016 01:33 AM)xadamxk Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I think there should be a mass PM button for group owners/leaders.

If the PM limit wasn't so small, I'd write a script to do it.

Aren't PM limits for group leaders expanded?

Lady Killer - December 5, 2016, 1:03 am

That is actually quite odd, I never knew that was there.

SUI-3183372 - December 5, 2016, 1:13 am

(Dec 5, 2016 02:00 AM)xadamxk Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) As far as PM cool downs, yeah.

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SIM-2015410 - December 6, 2016, 1:48 am

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Fiber - December 6, 2016, 1:56 am

(Dec 5, 2016 02:13 AM)Previously Known As.... Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Ah true, I forgot recipients is very low. Only 5 max, was a pain in the ass when everyone wasn't in the skype group

TheChi?f - December 6, 2016, 1:57 am

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SIM-2015410 - December 6, 2016, 2:47 am

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Yeah that's what I thought. Adam stop confusing me ?

Soulmate~?? - December 6, 2016, 9:11 am

(Dec 5, 2016 01:54 AM)Previously Known As.... Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Aren't PM limits for group leaders expanded?

Are they? I'm pretty sure they're just based on upgrade groups 3p1c and ub3r. Never mind, you

meant the number of users you're allowed to PM at once. I don't think that ever changes.

Omniscient - December 6, 2016, 11:32 am

Quote:but I was curious as to if Group Owners have access to the button and are able to see users emails from it?

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I'd like the PM all feature, would that also allow group leaders to do so as well?

minimalist - December 6, 2016, 12:28 pm

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(Dec 6, 2016 01:28 PM)Minimalist Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Sidebar: who the hell has 11K posts in their group SF?

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2073436 - December 6, 2016, 12:33 pm

It is for Omniscient probably or the staff members.

It's just like the awards page, where you can see who has purchased an award.

It's there, just not available to everyone.

minimalist - December 6, 2016, 12:34 pm

(Dec 6, 2016 01:32 PM)F?iber Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) It's total post count, not just subforum

Ah okay...phew.

Soulmate~?? - December 6, 2016, 1:51 pm

(Dec 6, 2016 01:28 PM)Minimalist Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Sidebar: who the hell has 11K posts in their group SF?

Krave almost does.

<https://hackforums.net/postactivity.php?uid=1165241>

Mr Whiskey - December 7, 2016, 8:11 am

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It sounds like it'd be more beneficial to set up a mass-PM option rather than emailing IMO, so it'll catch people who don't check their email as often as well as people who don't check HF as often (but have PM-Emailing enabled). It'd probably save you some troubles that I'm sure people would create with emailing.