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Thread: [Warning to HF Marketplace Newbies](#)

EPLS - December 12, 2017, 8:50 am

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seka1995 Wrote:First of all i wanna thank you for supporting me, really appreciate it.

i have got few questions that i hope you would be able to answer.

1. how can i be l33t member? is it like after certain amount of posts or you pay / donate to forums?
2. How can i set my Signature like you? i went to my profile couldnt find any signature options, i wanted to do same one like you so when ever i comment people can see it, fuck this scammer bitch.
3. im really clueless about this forums, and i never bought gold online etc, it was my first time and i got scammed lol. so what do you advice me to do next time i buy if i ever get btc again lol.
4. and who are trusted traders on here with a good rate not expensive ones.

if i ever need to ask anything again i will ask you :p cuz i know you are a good person :D thanks for everything :)

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2) To edit your signature, <https://hackforums.net/usercp.php?action=editsig> and type what you would like. Let me know if you need assistance with the hyperlink feature so that people can click your signature text to be directed to the thread you desire.

3) It decides on who's trading you, what's being traded, and what the value is. The safest choice is to use Minimalist (or another reputable mm on HF) as a middleman. An even safer choice is to have the opposite member go first, but seeing as you're a fairly new member without any reputation or a upgrade status, that is extremely unlikely. I can point you to some buyers and sellers on HF who I've gone first for multiple times.

However, there's one key thing you missed:

Next time, use the search feature and enter his username, enable "title only" box. If nothing related to scams comes up, search his UID. Next, go to the [Deal Dispute Database](#) and search their username. Searching Zetrix, for example, found that he had a resolved dispute back in '14. I never, ever go first with anyone who has had DWCs or scam reports UNLESS they're 100% proven to be false.

Mr Brown - December 12, 2017, 8:54 am

Well written mate ! HQ member right here

Armada - December 12, 2017, 9:53 am

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Although Omni tells people directly do not do deals, he also says if you are going to to keep it in PM and on site for a very good reason.

Skype/Discord it can become tricky to prove who the real user is.

People know my normal Skype and Discord, but honestly speaking what is preventing me from making a new account to scam someone and then just abandon it when I am done?

Keep it on site, so it can be tracked. The user either scammed you or they were compromised, staff and the such can tell these differences.

Once the damn Trust Scan is fixed that will be another major thing to emphase to new users to check.

—**C63AMG**— - December 12, 2017, 12:30 pm

Nice guide bro will surely help a ton of people!

TheWolf™ - December 12, 2017, 1:54 pm

Nice FAQ thread for those noobies. I had these questions in mind, when I was a fellow noob. Cheers, ?

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Well, using your signature to link people to your deal dispute is new for me, guess I'll do it when I get upgraded if I ever get scammed.

Killy - December 12, 2017, 8:19 pm

Also add this

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briend - December 12, 2017, 8:31 pm

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hogwash55 - December 12, 2017, 10:40 pm

I am a newbie so I will read. thank you

B FOR BADASS - December 12, 2017, 10:41 pm

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I do not code, have not since VB6, and I was er.. rough at best at that. lol