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Thread: [Upgrade To MyBB 1.9.xx?](#)

AeroForce - July 28, 2018, 11:01 am

I don't know who can answer this question, but when MyBB does roll out the new 1.9.xx version, is Hack Forums going to upgrade to that new version?

I am aware of the fact that a lot of the themes will not work with the new 1.9.xx version. Most of the plugins should work, though.

Just wondering about this.

Kill Joy - July 28, 2018, 11:08 am

Probably not since HF just upgraded.

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I don't think it will be necessary right away.

Omniscient - July 28, 2018, 3:31 pm

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AeroForce - July 28, 2018, 4:28 pm

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TB12 - July 28, 2018, 4:32 pm

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Definitely a lengthy process, good luck ?

Prepper - July 28, 2018, 4:41 pm

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AeroForce - July 29, 2018, 7:11 am

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Understood, yeah that makes more sense.

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oscast - July 29, 2018, 11:55 pm

omni will freak out again we'll lose more stuff from the downtime
rip bakanews :(

AeroForce - July 30, 2018, 4:37 am

(Jul 29, 2018 06:03 PM)Evanescence Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Can you link it to me?
Just curious.
Exactly, what do you want me to link?

Besides, due to user restrictions, I cannot provide links.

You'll have to do your own Search on here or at MyBB.com and look for the user 'l a b r o c c a' (without the spaces) and search his posts. Everything is there.

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I believe the minimum requirement for PHP will be 7.1. I just recently bumped up my website to PHP 7.1. So, I am good to go when 1.9.xx does come out.

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The real question is... is Omni willing to take the time to do all of this?

He may say 'Screw 1.9.xx' and use 1.8.xx for the foreseeable future. (which would be a major mistake in my opinion)

Time will tell, I guess.