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Thread: [Change the bullhorn/megaphone icon to a chat bubble icon](#)

SIM-1729678 - April 1, 2020, 11:11 am

The convo function has been on Hackforums for a while now and I had a thought.

Currently, HF uses the bullhorn/megaphone icon for the Convo function. The bullhorn/megaphone is an item that is used to amplify sound when they, for example, need to get the attention of a large or noisy group. The bullhorn/megaphone icon is, therefore, generally linked to, in this case, site announcements or updates.

The convo feature does not really feel like something that is meant to grab the attention of a large group. So I was thinking, why not change it to a chat bubble icon?

Let's say I am a new member, or even an old member returning. With the bullhorn/megaphone icon, I would feel like there is a new site announcement available instead of a new convo chat message. If HF was to change the Bullhorn/megaphone icon to a chat bubble icon it would suit the function way more.

Wheelie - April 1, 2020, 11:17 am

I like that chat bubble icon more. When I see the bullhorn I always think announcements or anything community alert related.

Eagle 95 - April 1, 2020, 11:20 am

Chat bubble is cool, I like it.

Bastille - April 1, 2020, 11:27 am

Chat bubble for me as well

Angel - April 1, 2020, 11:28 am

Chat bubble FOR SURE. never liked the Bullhorn

Silkroad - April 1, 2020, 11:39 am

I agree, I often get confused when I have a notification up there.

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SIM-1729678 - April 1, 2020, 11:54 am

(Apr 1, 2020 11:39 AM)Adidas Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I agree, I often get confused when I have a notification up there.

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Same to same mate. Imagine new members ?

webdev77 - April 1, 2020, 12:00 pm

I don't care one way or another. If this is important to all you people, sure go for it.

KING - April 1, 2020, 12:02 pm

+1 from my side for this idea, I agree with you that Chat bubble is a much better option as compared to the current one.

iTHX - April 1, 2020, 12:20 pm

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hahaha this gave me a good laugh. I get your point of view, let's see what the big boss has to say shall we? ?

Kosmos - April 2, 2020, 12:21 am

Chat bubble for sure. The bullhorn is an eye sore tbh.

SIM-1729678 - April 3, 2020, 11:14 am

Honestly, I am still looking for some more people to vote on this. Very curious about what the community thinks.

Renowned - April 3, 2020, 11:44 am

Chat bubble 100% - the megaphone always baffled me.

Maskin - April 3, 2020, 3:17 pm

Yes I support this. I also find it hard to access the convo from someones profile when on my phone because I always forget it's a bullhorn, but maybe it's just me.

A Chat bubble would make it easier to find.

Malthemar - April 3, 2020, 6:12 pm

The megaphone icon is not one that most people are used to; I think this makes it overlooked and confusing.

Quick - April 3, 2020, 6:45 pm

I deem that the bubble chat icon is more probant than the current one. Changing it would definitely make it more user friendly to new incoming members, as they'll be able to know that the main functionality behind the bubbles is a livechat.

Yin Yang - April 3, 2020, 6:48 pm

Chat bubble is more universal

SIM-1729678 - April 4, 2020, 7:45 am

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I totally agree with this.

SIM-3205632 - April 4, 2020, 8:58 am

Never liked the bullhorn no offense Bull.

Stanley - April 6, 2020, 2:28 am

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Thanks,
Stanley

SIM-1729678 - April 8, 2020, 9:10 am

Still interested in seeing what members think of this idea. let me know in the poll above.

SIM-4660060 - April 8, 2020, 9:41 am

The chat bubble would be great. +1

Astrogen - April 9, 2020, 6:37 am

Changing it to chat bubble would be great. It conveys that it is a message feature a lot better imho. +1 for this!

Prince™ - April 9, 2020, 6:46 am

Looks like Chat bubble is winning without any competition. xD

Xerotic - April 24, 2020, 10:13 am

Ok.

Linyah - April 24, 2020, 10:22 am

(Apr 24, 2020 10:13 AM)Xerotic Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Ok.

Thank you! Looks definitely better now.