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Thread: [Add competing sites to the blacklist.](#)

x_x - July 10, 2021, 6:54 am

It would be easier if the sites got added to the filter like the racial slurs, including shortened versions; example.to & e.to

x_x - July 10, 2021, 7:50 am

(Jul 10, 2021 06:58 AM)xadamxk Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I'm my opinion there's no point.

When something new would be added to the list, 2 more competing forums or sites would pop up.

Now a days I don't see people mentioning them much regardless. If they do, they'll learn pretty quick.

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SIM-3749878 - July 10, 2021, 7:56 am

(Jul 10, 2021 07:50 AM)x_x Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) This week I recall 5 or so people mentioning 3 different sites, not on purpose to advertise, but still.

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x_x - July 10, 2021, 7:59 am

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SIM-3749878 - July 10, 2021, 8:01 am

(Jul 10, 2021 07:59 AM)x_x Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Mentioning competing sites is against the rules.Haha that is fucking stupid, isn't it? Why is it against the rules? inb4 omni closes my account. I mean, obviously advertising other sites should be disallowed but other than that sounds strange. Anyways, have fun adding hundreds of thousands of URLs to some kind of blacklist. I'm sure it's a great way to spend admins time.

Astonished - July 10, 2021, 8:02 am

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If I mention the name of any big brand, you google them, you find their website.

I mention another forum with topics and sections based on the same things as we have here, then sure, that's against the rules.

x_x - July 10, 2021, 8:05 am

(Jul 10, 2021 08:02 AM)killmenow Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) There is a large difference however between mentioning competing sites and just mentioning a "different site"

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regardless it is still not allowed, a filter for the sites would stop people getting warned.

x_x - July 10, 2021, 8:09 am

(Jul 10, 2021 08:05 AM)xadamxk Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Did you report them? If not, send them to me.

I don't disagree with you that it would be a nice feature, but it would not be hard to get around the filter.

New members do it all the time when posting links.

Obviously I reported them and commented telling them it isn't allowed :P the point of the filter is to prevent a mistake turning into a warning, not stop people from promoting another forum intentionally.

(Jul 10, 2021 08:06 AM)xadamxk Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) He has closed accounts for less, but I agree that making a site blacklist would take too much of his time for what little benefit it adds.

it already exists, for words like fuck, the hard r and the german phrase for a victory salute used by the nazis. They get changed for other phrases.

SIM-3749878 - July 10, 2021, 8:13 am

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x_x - July 10, 2021, 8:16 am

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SIM-3749878 - July 10, 2021, 8:37 am

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Exalted - July 10, 2021, 9:34 am

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Then don't? I don't report every rule-breaking post; I try to inform the member, after which they usually do listen; if not, I'll report it later anyway. Reporting is your choice ?

I've seen some URLs where the domain and TLD get replaced with the #-character. If a site is cause for concern they'll block it.

x_x - July 10, 2021, 9:47 am

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Like I said, it doesn't matter who or why; a rule was broken and it's not for me to decide who just "gets a pass" obviously it's at the staff's discretion to act on a report.

SIM-3749878 - July 10, 2021, 7:18 pm

(Jul 10, 2021 09:47 AM)x_x Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I don't plan on it, that isn't what this suggestion is for. Just weird to create such a thread if you knew beforehand that your suggestion can not be accomplished or implemented in any way.

x_x - July 10, 2021, 11:39 pm

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SIM-3749878 - July 11, 2021, 8:38 am

(Jul 10, 2021 11:39 PM)x_x Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) What are you talking about, a blacklist already exists, I am just suggesting to add new words to it. Ok, let's leave it at that. I'm rooting for you