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Thread: [Is it just me or does it seem like B ratings doing more hurt than good?](#)

Cooldudex - July 28, 2021, 12:14 am

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Net - July 28, 2021, 1:04 am

Scamming always has and will happen. The B-Rating system is just to minimize the risk of getting scammed. At the end of the day, you can get scammed from literally anyone (from a really reputable member who decided to exit scam or from a user who joined last week).

Lorem Ipsum - July 28, 2021, 1:15 am

Even though I despise the members with 1000+ deals done and still being online with 8+ open Disputes, it is a game changer.

No guarantee for a safe trade. As the "Important Rules" show. But it's a huge benefit for noobs and other members who want to make sure someone dealt with a HF Contract and not just a "thanks for deal" post.

spiral - July 28, 2021, 3:39 am

Or just deal with middlemen only when dealing online, and then you're not going to get scammed regardless of b-ratings.

Zoomers - July 29, 2021, 6:30 pm

Brating is great. It is why I am so active and conduct alot of my business on HF. Like mentioned above there is always people that are dishonest. Definitely a positive on HF

Artisan - July 30, 2021, 12:53 am

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x_x - July 30, 2021, 2:17 am

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People who get scammed almost all of the time they don't even know what B-Rating is. Any time a "reputable" member has scammed it was because of their high popularity and a new person would say "But he has high rep so I thought I could trust him" whilst seller has double digit open disputes. I've seen people say they trusted scammers because they were upgraded, should upgrades and popularity be removed also?

Laylo - July 30, 2021, 2:38 pm

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If you don't think a higher B rating doesn't indicate you being "more trustworthy" to 90% of the newish users then you are lost. I never asked about which vendors can or can't exit scam. I was stating that B ratings gives the illusion that you won't be scammed to newer members. I don't know how to make it better that's why I didn't give an example of a different one and just asked about other peoples thoughts for discussion

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Lol! Don't worry man... KJs legal team is on it! sarcasm

Forensic - July 30, 2021, 3:01 pm

Every system is open to manipulation. That's just life. The examples you gave is people seeming more trustworthy due to high B-Ratings making it easier for them to scam but you have to treat everybody with caution. Without such a rating people would be seen as more trustworthy due to rep or popularity or groups etc & all of these can be misleading just like a B-Rating.

Angela White - July 30, 2021, 3:04 pm

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Pretty sure he was holding over \$80k lol. Yeah using a middleman on HF is just basically doubling you chances of getting scammed. Might as well just go off of B ratings

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If you're dealing with a stranger and feel that they may scam you, introducing ANOTHER stranger that may scam you into the deal and entrusting them with the ENTIRE deal just adds a whole new risk to the deal.

Laylo - July 30, 2021, 3:34 pm

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parties goods? Please do tell me buddy since you post this like 5x a day. Please just explain your moronic logic. You're obviously not much of a thinker but you give advice as if your brain works, very laughable.

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Yes but they could be very minimized if quicker action was taken. Then only 1 person gets scammed instead of 10 because most people don't complete the necessary due diligence when making deals. You have the same brain as spiral surprised you didn't suggest to use like 4 middlemans or something. Spiral thinks the more middlemans you use the safer you are. Just use 4 killjoys.

Cooldudex - July 30, 2021, 5:00 pm

Okay guys I guess some people are genuinely confused/lost on the point of the thread and I didn't want others to just start flaming each other so I'll go ahead and close it

Thanks for everyone else's input, though. :D