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Thread: [Option to report dead threads](#)

Charlie Sheen - July 5, 2023, 4:06 pm

As the title says, there's a lot of threads that are years old that just sit there getting grave dug. Usually the member hasn't logged on in years. You see people spamming those threads with "pls send this to me". It'd be helpful if we could report those threads, and by reporting it would lock the thread automatically.

1337GAMER - July 5, 2023, 4:10 pm

+1 to this! Great idea.

Hackers - July 5, 2023, 4:48 pm

(Jul 5, 2023 04:06 PM)Charlie Sheen Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) by reporting it would lock the thread automatically.

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Charlie Sheen - July 5, 2023, 5:02 pm

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I think you're overthinking the suggestion. I'm talking about dead threads. The ones where the OP is gone now, hasn't signed on in such a length of time. There are tons of threads with "post and I'll send you the link" there's nothing timeless about it, the guy logged out 5 years ago and never came back. There's no way to "get the link" yet people line up and reply asking for the link. There are some threads that are old and still work. There's rules in place against grave digging. This will help prevent that.

Nachfolger - July 5, 2023, 5:04 pm

It's such an insignificant issue. Gravedigging is allowed if it's a relevant post and it makes the website look active.

Neil - July 5, 2023, 8:34 pm

I think this will just promote less activity tbh

Omniscient - July 5, 2023, 8:52 pm

I believe if you try to grave-dig a message comes up about it.

I don't view this as a huge problem.

EDIT: Hmm..we have a plugin that appears it's not activated. I'll look into it.

Omniscient - July 6, 2023, 8:22 am

(Jul 6, 2023 06:50 AM)-Scrub Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) How old does the thread or post have to be before it's continued as a grave dig?

I think the plugin just did a warning that you're posting in an old thread. Again, I have to look at it. Maybe I'll remember why I deactivated it.

Omniscient - July 6, 2023, 1:19 pm

(Jul 6, 2023 10:53 AM)Warmaster Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) There was a plugin which was showing the warning about revival of an old thread but even without it should be common sense for people not to post on threads which was created 2017,2018,2019,2020,2021,2022 when you see that people haven't posted in a long time and there wasn't bump from the op of the thread either people should be reviving it. To combat that people should use the report button to inform the moderation team to take an action on that.

We ask that you don't actually report that. It's not a policy violation to grave dig.

Lrrr - July 6, 2023, 1:23 pm

Grave digging is not a crime, stop reporting it

Lrrr - July 6, 2023, 1:25 pm

(Jul 6, 2023 01:24 PM)-Scrub Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Did it used to be on report options?Never was as far as I am aware. Even back in 2016 it wasn't a rule it was just a suggestion not to grave dig

Sky - July 6, 2023, 3:43 pm

(Jul 5, 2023 05:04 PM)Nachfolger Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) It's such an insignificant issue. Gravedigging is allowed if it's a relevant post and it makes the website look active.
This.

The only time it would really be an issue is if there was an attachment with broken links and the user has left the forum. Or if the post was completely irrelevant to the thread.

Gary Clark Jr. - July 6, 2023, 4:25 pm

I'd like to see the option to report introduction threads as much as reporting people posting on old threads.

Charlie Sheen - July 6, 2023, 5:11 pm

I'm driving right now so I can't screenshot and post it but the [Help Docs](#) state under "other" grave digging is a reportable offense.

<https://hackforums.net/misc.php?action=help&hid=11&highlight=Grave>

Nachfolger - July 6, 2023, 5:59 pm

(Jul 6, 2023 05:16 PM)-Scrub Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) [...]

Gravedug thread with a useless reviving post;
Keyword USELESS reviving post. Gravedigging is allowed.