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Thread: [\[BUG \] Hackforums False ban bug Omniscient read this](#)

geoshot - July 16, 2026, 4:48 am

Dear hackforums, Omniscient founder

I hope this message gets spread around to you because i don't know how to make a report,

I would like to report a possible false ban issue on your website.

Refreshing the website repeatedly (Ctrl + R) appears to trigger a 1-day ban for suspected bot activity.

I am not sure if this affects all users, but I recommend testing it with a test account to confirm.

This could lead to users being accidentally banned and may also create unnecessary false-ban logs.

I suggest reviewing and adjusting the detection system to prevent this.

Ban notice (7/15/2026): <https://ibb.co/v6QfZ0qT>

if this is action is taken, I want my account be clean and cleared all false bans.

Hackforums members if you see this post make sure share this to Omniscient spread the message
Thank you for looking into this issue.

arlington - July 16, 2026, 5:54 am

I will definitely share this with Omniscient in all channels, you got this.

Pr0m3th3us - July 16, 2026, 6:19 am

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Alot of other times instead of reloading ill just click on the HF logo up top and that works also.

signed0 - July 16, 2026, 7:02 am

You know,

This didnt just get put in place without a reason, right?

TB12 - July 16, 2026, 7:08 am

As far as I'm aware this isn't a bug and this is working as intended. Not to sound like a dick but why are you refreshing the page repeatedly like that?

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Ah I see. Yeah it is definitely best to just click the top of the page once when you want to check on that.

Raijin - July 16, 2026, 9:51 am

Welcome back to the site.

arlington - July 17, 2026, 3:46 am

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I've sent two letters overnight to Omni's PO box this week with regarding this, and a fax of the thread in .PDF format.

Edmond Dantes - July 17, 2026, 4:08 am

I'm curious if omni got any idea why it happened.

Can - July 17, 2026, 7:07 am

Probably hitting a API limit of some sort and triggering the ban because it thinks your trying to crash the server.

Eran - July 18, 2026, 2:13 am

I noticed you were banned and was wondering why lol. Welcome back :)

Frost Crypt - July 18, 2026, 3:47 am

this isn't a bug, is intended behavior , stop using the website like a bot. Probably this limitation is lifted for old upgraded accounts.

Is normal for new accounts to have more anti bot measures.

DramaKing - July 19, 2026, 4:00 am

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Omni has had to be quite aggressive against bots from what I understand. It's not a bug, and clearly it was resolved.

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HF uses WebSockets for notifications. Refreshing the page won't show if you have notifications any faster unless the connection is lost.

Riggs - July 19, 2026, 4:28 am

This thread reads like something a bot would write.

xadamxk - July 19, 2026, 8:27 am

You are an un-upgraded member and repeatedly hard reloaded the page until you got flagged as a bot.

This isn't a bug with the site - it's an intended feature.

I'd just close the thread and move on before the big man finds this thread ?