

Revised Xoopsiquette - your comments please - XOOPS

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##### **General Posting Guidelines**

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**Spamming and Trolling** - We do not tolerate spamming or trolling in any place.

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on a broadband internet connection.

**Generally** - Respect others as you want to be respected.

### **Avatars**

**Content** - Please use proper judgement when choosing an avatar. We like to promote a family atmosphere, and avatars that disrupt this will be removed. Do not spoof or post misleading text in your avatar

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If you fail to follow these guidelines you will either receive a message, a warning, a temporary or final ban depending on the severity of the issue from a moderator. Irrespectfull behaviors, offensive sentences, insults and others language abuses, as describe above, will be edited and deleted without warning.

Ok here are two things in advance about expected questions:

### **1. Use of images in your signature is not permitted.**

Why did we not changes this?

1. It keeps a better readability. (after all this is primary a support forum)
2. Images can be a security problem (.wmf anyone?)
3. Images can (depending on yourbrowser and connection) slow down pageloading.
4. We feel this has worked very well in the past
5. It is an advantage for those not on broadband connection

### **2. Irrespectfull behaviors, offensive sentences, insults and others language abuses, as describe above, may be edited and deleted without warning.**

From a working amount standpoint its not possible to start a discussion on every incident where this might be used. We keep an archive of the stuff we remove and therefore if you really feel like something has been removed with no justification we could always check on the content that was removed. Also this is not a free ride to remove whatever someone on the moderation team doesn't like. It's just (as we have seen especially in 2005) necessary and therefore now be pointed out more clearly. I would like to think we are all adults and there are no insults but reality proves us wrong here.

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