

Forum Rules

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Read the information below, then click on the link at the bottom of the page to register and login.

When using this forum you must adhere to our simple set of rules.

- You must be over 16 years of age
- Be polite and respectful to all other people
- Honour and respect other peoples right of opinion
- Do not slander any other entity - person, product, business, groups etc.
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 - * Thread - the word used to describe a forum topic. A thread may be started by any forum member to view an opinion and ask for feedback or comment.
 - * Post - a message that is 'posted' to a thread by anyone who wishes to contribute. When you click on a thread title it will open to reveal all the messages that have been posted by other forum members. You can add your own comments.
 - * Moderator - someone who watches the forum for inappropriate thread content. We monitor forum activity, and the forum editor(s) / moderators will sometimes remove threads or posts if he/ she believes them to be inappropriate in nature. If you are unhappy about a particular post or thread, or if you want to contact us privately you can do so at any time by using the contact form.. Type your message and click the 'Send message' button; we'll contact you as soon as possible.

Best practice We have evolved a system of day to day conduct which we believe helps the forum to function smoothly, and we look to our members to abide by the system whenever possible. We are a community, and we expect our members to respect our code of conduct.

- * Personal email addresses - please do not include your email address when posting a thread or a message in a thread. Personal privacy is something that once compromised is difficult to regain, and posting an address in a web forum is akin to advertising it on TV - it can be read (and used) by thousands of strangers.
- * Offensive comment - forum discussions can sometimes become heated. They often take place more or less in real time, and it can be tempting to respond offensively in the heat of the moment. Personal abuse directed at another forum member is totally unacceptable, and such posts will be removed without warning. Incidents may result in a forum member's registration being invalidated permanently and legal action or police action being taken.
- * Thread titles - Please try to give your thread a meaningful title - one which will indicate its subject matter to other forum users. A thread entitled "Aaaargghhh!!!! will irritate other users, and will be less likely to attract the right response.
- * Inform - when posting your thread please try to provide as much information as you can. Be specific about what you have to say.
- * Personal contact - we do not advise you to arrange personal meetings with other forum users. You would be meeting a total stranger, you cannot verify another member's age or sex, and such arrangements are inherently fraught with risk. You do so at your own risk.
- * Search the archive - it's on the cards that your subject has cropped up before, so we recommend you search the site by using the search facility.

Forbidden Territory Some behaviour is unacceptable in the forum, and we will insist on the following rules being observed at all times.

- * Bad language - it isn't necessary to use bad language to make a point. Although modern usage has seen many previously unacceptable terms become a part of everyday conversation, there are certain words which are universally acknowledged as being inappropriate in normal conversation. We will exercise our right to remove any posts that (in our opinion) contain such language, and the forum editor's decision will be final.
- * 'Adult' content - references or links of an adult nature will not be tolerated - posts or threads that contain links to 'adult' sites, text, or

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