# **Community Forum Guidelines**

#### Introduction

These Community Forum Guidelines govern your use of the Vice Community Forum (the "Community Forum") operated by Vice Media LLC or one of its subsidiaries ("Vice," "we," "us" or "our"). The purpose of the Community Forum is to help us understand our audience's positions on various topics of interest to them. We have developed a set of Community Forum Guidelines that outline what is and is not allowed on the Community Forum. If you do not abide by these Community Forum Guidelines, we reserve the right, in our sole discretion, to terminate your access to the Community.

These Community Forum Guidelines must be read in conjunction with all other Vice policies applicable to your use of our services. In addition, your use of the Community Forum is subject to our <u>Privacy Policy</u> and <u>Terms of Use</u>.

### Confidentiality

This Community Forum serves as, amongst other things, an area for users to post and interact with each other. While Vice takes great measures to ensure that your posts are afforded confidential treatment from public access, please note that any information you include in a post on the Community Forum may be visible to anyone that has access to the Community Forum. In addition, Vice and the platform host will be able to access the posted content.

We urge all users to refrain from posting any personal information on the Community Forum, as it may be visible to third parties or other Community Forum members. Please use caution when disclosing any information on the Community Forum. We are not responsible for the use by others of the information that you disclose and make no claims of confidentiality or security of such information.

#### **Disclaimer**

None of the content on the Community Forum is intended as a promotion of specific products or services. Comments or posts by users of the Community Forum do not reflect the opinions of Vice or its subsidiaries, affiliates, and managed entities. Vice does not endorse any content posted on the Community Forum.

#### **Rules on Posting**

Users of the Community Forum may not post:

- Personal information about other people, for example those who may not be a part of the Community Forum
- Content that contain confidential, proprietary, sensitive or non-public information

- Content owned by a third party or to which you do not have permission to post
- Content that includes profanity, defamatory, libelous and offensive or demeaning language (including images, videos and links), or that harasses, disparages, harms, threatens, abuses, or defames other users
- Content that is false, misleading, fraudulent or deceptive, including content that spreads conspiracy theories and misinformation or that promotes obvious falsehoods
- Content which may be discriminatory or cause offence on the grounds of an individual's sex, race, religion or belief, ethnic or national origin, sexual orientation, age, marital status, disability or working status
- Content that is pornographic, vile, gore, or anything else we deem to be offensive
- Content that impersonates someone else, including, but not limited to, any Vice staff, journal editors, or suggest that you have an affiliation with a person or association if you do not have such affiliation
- Content that is excessively repetitive and/or disruptive to the community on the Community Forum or that consists of any unsolicited or unauthorized advertising, promotional materials, "junk mail," "spam," "chain letters," "pyramid schemes," or any other form of solicitation
- Content that contain links, including those to videos, not owned or created by you
- Content selling or soliciting consultation, services or products from an individual or a third party

### **Consequences of Breaching these Community Forum Guidelines**

The consequences for violating our Community Forum Guidelines vary depending on the severity of the violation and the person's history on the Community Forum. For example, we may warn someone for a first violation, but if they continue to violate the Community Forum Guidelines, we may restrict their ability to post on the Community Forum or terminate their access to the Community. We also may notify law enforcement when we believe there is a genuine risk of physical harm or a direct threat to public safety.

We reserve the right, in our sole discretion, to remove any content which violates these Community Forum Guidelines without prior notice. If you are responsible for any breach of these Community Forum Guidelines it will not be an excuse to say that you did not read them.

# **Changes to these Community Forum Guidelines**

We reserve the right to make changes to these Community Forum Guidelines from time to time. It is your responsibility to stay up to date on these Community Forum Guidelines.

# **Contact Us**

For general Community Forum functionality questions, future development or other queries, please contact: <a href="mailto:support@madchatter.r29.com">support@madchatter.r29.com</a> for Refinery29 support.