Subject: Do we need some restriction for new users due to...? Posted by fudadmin on Fri, 28 Jan 2011 17:11:33 GMT

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I have noticed recently that there cases when spammers register to our forum and put links related to the places we all hate. Then someone bans them (my guess - honza? ).

But that wastes time and creates bogus users.

This reminded me some ideas which other forums have:

1. restrict users with 0 messages not to be allowed to put www links? Does anyone know how technically to do this with fudforum?

And/or

2 force users with 0 messages to post at least one introductory message into a special "say hello" forum section which e.g could be restricted to viewing for logged users only. And only after that allow to post to other sections.

And/or

3 require to answer a simple poll/questionnaire in that "say hello" section.

This way we could also gather some statistics how they had found us, what they expect, and maybe make them feel more welcome etc.

What do you think?