

# Guidelines for Message Boards

## Photo Albums, Chats, et al.

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SPECIAL ALERT/NOTICE: MSN has changed the TOS and added a feature allowing images contained on the communities to be used in the selling of products and services. The managers and creators of the RMG communities and the RMG itself do not agree with this situation and anyone found copying or otherwise reproducing images or other information contained within these communities and the RMG web site are in violation of US Copyright and Trademark Laws and will be prosecuted by the RMG to the fullest extent of the law.

1. In addition to all members of this community being required to follow the MSN code of conduct, these guidelines have been created to make everyone's experience with the Real Millennium Group's site more enjoyable. Anyone not following the guidelines will have their messages/photos/contributions to the site deleted and they will be banned from both communities.
2. Anyone is able and welcome to view all aspects of this community as allowed by the parameters of the MSN programming. In order to use the various functions, such as the message boards, chat room, or photo albums, it is required by the programming that you become a member of the community.
  - 2a. Becoming a member of this community does not qualify for official membership. In order to become an official member of the Real Millennium Group, the [membership application](#) must be filled out and submitted for approval of the officers.
  - 2b. Community members are not required to become official members, and official members are not required to join the community, unless they wish to use the functions located herein.
  - 2c. Joining one community only allows you to use the functions of that community. You must be a member of both RMG communities to use the functions located in each.
3. Please do not use the message boards for advertising or just saying hello. Use the recommendations list if you want to advertise a web site or product. Use the member profile function provided by MSN, and/or the Member Bios list on the other community to introduce yourself to the members of the community. **DO NOT USE E-MAIL OR MESSAGE BOARDS FOR ADVERTISING OR SPAMMING. YOU WILL BE BANNED IMMEDIATELY FOR DOING SO.**
4. When posting pictures, use the Shoebox album unless you plan to post several pictures which form some kind of theme. For example: if you are just going to post a picture of yourself, do not create a new album - post your picture in the Shoebox. If you want to post 4-5 pictures, or more, of you on a cross-country vacation, you can create a new album for this use.
5. When posting messages, please don't create a new thread if there are similar topics already created. Post a reply in the most appropriate thread. For example: If a thread is discussing a millennium celebration in Chicago, don't create a new thread to talk about a celebration in another city, use the Chicago thread to let everyone know about that celebration. If you want to talk about the most popular breed of cat in Chicago, create a new thread, unless there is an animal topic already being discussed.
  - 5a. Please try to be as concise as possible when stating your opinions or facts on a topic. If at all possible, include references to any research you post on the web so others may benefit.
  - 5b. To conserve space on the message boards, please use the smaller font sizes, and the shift+return/enter key to eliminate the extra space from occurring each time you hit return/enter. i.e.

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6. Be kind to your fellow members. Everyone is entitled to their opinions, but under no circumstances will racism, hatred, and the like be tolerated in the community. This is a family oriented group and community, and all material contained must be suited for people of all ages and backgrounds. Foul and/or abusive language will not be tolerated. Inappropriate pictures, messages, and web sites will be deleted from the community and the member posting the material will be banned.

7. Any problems with a member or information on the community is to be e-mailed to the managers of the community. Do not take it upon yourself to post a rebuttal or other form of correction without prior approval of this community's managers.

8. Members of this community are not to alter or delete anything posted or created on this community, other than their own material. Members are not permitted to upload files to the file cabinet. Anyone found doing so, will be banned immediately. Members and Visitors are not to copy or otherwise use any image or information contained within this web site without express written permission of the managers of this community and the owner of the image/information.

9. The managers of this community and the officers of the RMG reserve all rights in respect to the community and the rest of the web site, including making additions or alterations to these guidelines as necessary. All decisions of the managers and officers will be final.