Allowing Extended Characters in Usernames

Before you begin:

All blue words are explained in more detail in the notes.

All red words are commands you need to do.

All green words are files you will be working with.

Please read the notes before you ask questions on the forums. Many of your questions should be answered there.

What this will help you do:

This will help give you the ability to add more characters to what will be allowed in the Usernames. For example right now \(\frac{4}{2}\)Clan\(\frac{4}{2}\)Username would not be allowed because of the \(\frac{4}{2}\) character. This will help you add these characters in the allowable list.

What will I need to know before I continue:

You must be able to edit and upload files. This can be done any number of ways. If you do not know how to edit and upload files then you should not continue.

Open includes/validate.php

Find:

define('REGEXP_USERNAME','/[^\w{}\[\]«»=|-]/i');

Find In Line:

'/[^\w{}\[\]«»=|-]/i'

Any characters you want to allow must be added before the - in this line. Take the previous example \(\text{YClan}\) Username.

If I want to allow ' \neq ' the line would look like: $\frac{|\cdot|^{w}}{|\cdot|^{w}}$

You can continue to add as many characters as you would like **as long as they are not on the not allowed list displayed below**.

Finally you must go to Admin [Forums] -> General Admin -> Configuration. Then under the General Board Settings you must change Allow Username changes to Yes (This is the last choice in the group) if your users want to have the ability to change their names.

Characters that are not allowed

The following is a list of characters that **you cannot use**. This list only contains characters that have been tested to this point. So it is possible that there maybe more characters that should not be used.

Characters that are not allowed:

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