

Currently the ApeCoin Discourse forum is set to auto-close after 7 days. I think this is a bad feature that could not only limit the creativity of certain evergreen posts, but also inhibit community growth.

Already we have a few topics that would be well served by living indefinitely:

- [

Introduce yourself](<https://forum.apecoin.com/t/introduce-yourself/3003>)

- [GM \[MegaThread\]](#)
- [Brainstorming uses for the APE Coin IP](#)

I would imagine this 7 day period was initially to satisfy the AIP Draft

rules on feedback gathering. Here it is:

AIP Draft

- the second step in the process of creating an official AIP, which can only be submitted after the original AIP idea has gathered feedback from the community for seven days

in the proper channel. An AIP draft must be submitted directly to a moderator via predetermined AIP templates.

However, as I'm the administrator of another Discourse forum, I'm aware that this is not a forum-wide feature, and can be configured granularly.

Here is the UI that's available at category-level topics:

Therefore it's my proposal that the forum

- Reserve the 7 day auto-close period to topics that are AIP ideas, in a category all its own
- Update the auto-close topic to be after 30 days, and set to not close until the last post is at least that old
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What do y'all think?