

## Rules for commenting on articles and blogs

All comments will be moderated and will not appear on the site until they have been approved.

Comments are typically posted faster during business hours (Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.). Comments will not be posted in the evening, on weekends and holidays.

We may fix spelling, grammar or punctuation.

Comments that contain any of the following will not be approved:

Profanity

Vulgarity

Hate or racist speech

Disruptive or hostile remarks

Threats of violence

Interpersonal disputes

Attempts to hide or misspell offensive content

Offensive language in user IDs

Advertisements for items, services, or commercial Web sites, including offers to trade, "wanted" posts, or charitable solicitations.

Any content that is obscene, pornographic, or adult in nature, including:

Photographs

Graphics

Text

Cartoons

Comic art

Drawings or paintings

Off-color jokes

Links to obscene, pornographic, or adult materials

Blatant double entendre or other attempts to hide or misspell content that isn't allowed

Suggestive titles, even when created as jokes

You cannot knowingly post content that violates the copyright, trademark, patent, or other intellectual property right of any third party. Likewise, you cannot post content that is libelous, defamatory, obscene, abusive, that violates a third party's right to privacy, that otherwise violates any applicable local, state, national or international law, or that is otherwise inappropriate.

We retain the right to disapprove any comment without specifying any reason and remove any content for any reason at our discretion.

By posting your views in the Comments section, you agree not to use the site to:

- post, e-mail, transmit or otherwise make available any Content that is unlawful, harmful, threatening, abusive, harassing, tortuous, defamatory, vulgar, obscene, libelous, invasive of another's privacy, hateful, or racially, ethnically or otherwise objectionable;
- disrupt the normal flow of dialogue or otherwise act in a manner that negatively affects other users' ability to engage in exchanges;
- harm minors in any way;
- impersonate any person or entity;
- forge headers or otherwise manipulate identifiers in order to disguise the origin of any Content transmitted through the site;
- post, e-mail, transmit or otherwise make available any Content that you do not have a right to make available under any law or under contractual or fiduciary relationships

(such as inside information, proprietary and confidential information learned or disclosed as part of employment relationships or under nondisclosure agreements);

- post, e-mail, transmit or otherwise make available any Content that infringes any patent, trademark, trade secret, copyright or other proprietary rights ("Rights") of any party;
- post, e-mail, transmit or otherwise make available any material that contains software viruses or any other computer code, files or programs designed to interrupt, destroy or limit the functionality of any computer software or hardware or telecommunications equipment;
- interfere with or disrupt the site or servers or networks connected to the site, or disobey any requirements, procedures, policies or regulations of networks connected to the site;
- intentionally or unintentionally violate any applicable local, state, national or international law;
- stalk or otherwise harass another; or
- collect or store personal data about other users.