

South Florida Ban List as of April 2022

The goal of this panel is to address problematic community members and more quickly respond to future problems to make our Smash community a safer and more comfortable environment. Note that these bans are not necessarily permanent, but indefinite pending re-evaluation after an appropriate amount of time.

Panelists

- Kino
- Aerodusk
- DGK
- LizardKing
- Noble
- Gabe
- Riku

South Florida Bans

1. Hoover/Legosi

In the beginning of 2019, Hoover was accused of physical assault against his girlfriend at the time. The Smash CoC conducted an investigation which resulted in an indefinite ban as of 5/14/20 which can be appealed after 5 years from this date. With no additional evidence or counter-information, SFL will be officially upholding the CoC's decision.

Public Acknowledgement of Ban Recommendation for Hoover

5/14/20

As of April 2020, the SSB COC recommends **an indefinite ban for the Florida player Hoover**. Four panelists conducted interviews, reviewed [picture](#) and text-based evidence, and heard from witnesses to make this decision. The decision of the ban reflects that Hoover was found in violation of multiple offenses (Level 3 and a Level 4) against another player.

The minimum time served before an evidence-based appeal is granted will be five years. We believe the five years represents the minimum time it would take for a person to undergo targeted and multi-step behavioral interventions to support significant behavioral change after demonstrating deliberate harm. Appeals do not guarantee a change in decision, only an opportunity to demonstrate change. Attendance at events (even for TOs who are not COC signatories) while the indefinite ban is in effect will reset the ban length timer.

2. Xaltis

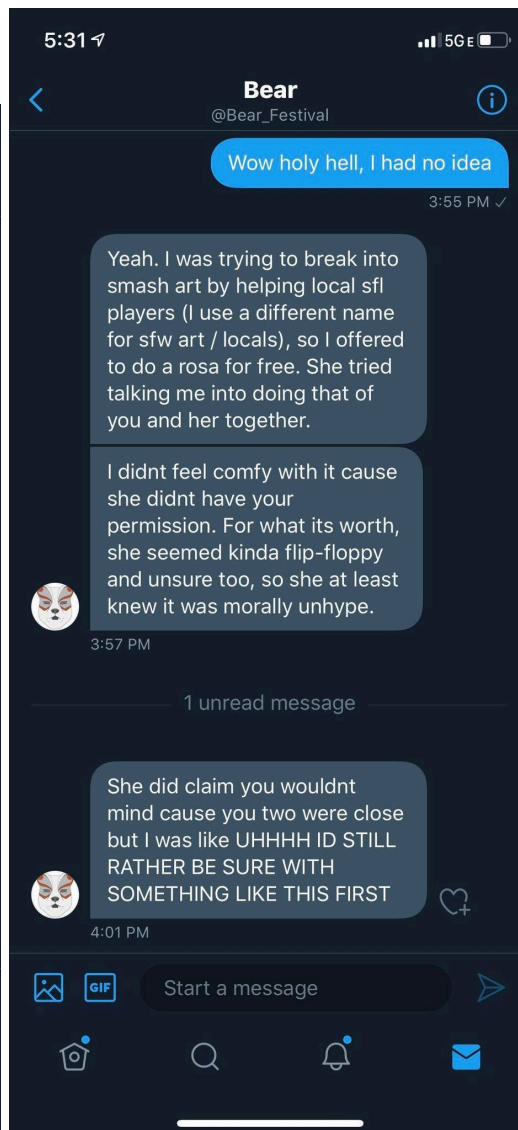
Earlier this year, Xaltis had been accused of trying to commission a lewd/NSFW picture of one of our community members without their permission, as well as engaging in a sexual conversation with a minor. Additionally, there has been a history of conflicts involving her, as well as other specific incidents of a sexually-explicit nature that the victims have asked to keep private.

The panel has reached the decision of an indefinite ban, which can be revisited no less than 3 years after the re-institution of offline events.

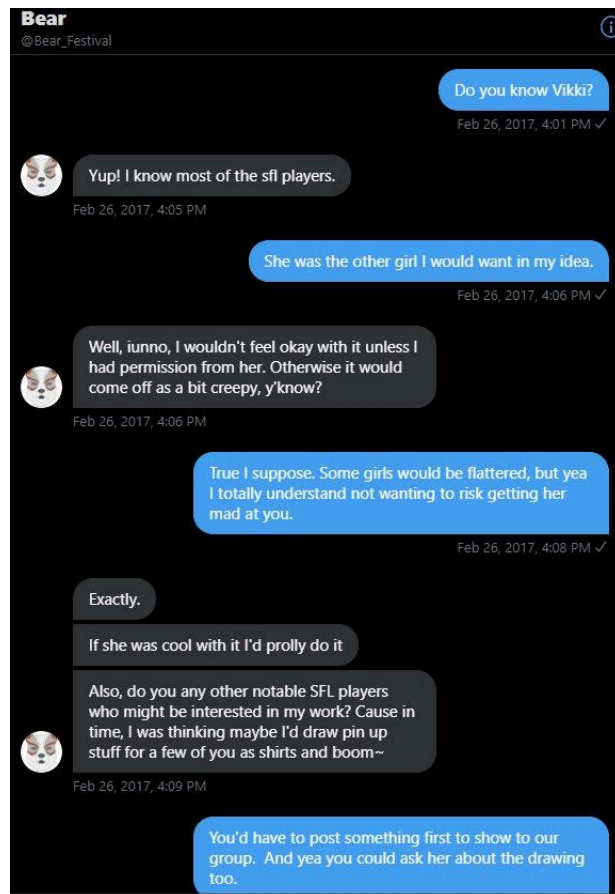
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(Vikki asking the artist who tried to commission a lewd picture of her)



(Xaltis discussing the picture with the artist)



Information and Statement on the Case of Dominick "Xerocool" Barnes

3. Xerocool

Back in September 2021, concerns of Dominick allegedly grooming a minor were brought to the attention of the South Florida TO panel. Around the beginning of 2020, he (23) started getting very close with a 17-year-old girl in his friend group, and the relationship became romantic. This was very apparent to the rest of the friend group to the point that it made them very uncomfortable. There was also a reported incident where Dominick asked for and obtained a 15-year-old girl's Snapchat and would make inappropriate remarks/jokes regarding her.

At the time, the panel reached the conclusion that Dominick would not be banned, but instead forced to cease activity as a Tournament Organizer. This light conclusion was reached due to some positive aspects that came from their relationship, as well as the minor not identifying as a victim (which is common in these sorts of situations). However, as tournaments often have many minors attending, it would not be safe to have him in a position of power for these types of events.

As of the last several weeks, Dominick has begun hosting weekly events again. This directly violates the decision made in September. Due to this, we have decided to come forward and inform the community about this. We informed the event hosts of Dominick's situation, and they ended up deciding to take him off staff as TO. Dominick has shown no self-reflection and still doesn't believe there was anything wrong with being in a relationship with a minor 6 years younger than him.

In response to this, a new Official West Palm Smash Page has been made. This is because Dominick is the sole owner of the current one, and will not relinquish control over it. Please join the new West Palm Beach Smash page here - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/westpalmsmash> - and please make sure others you know are switching over to this group.

Second, Dominick may not run any events within our community. Additionally, it will be left to individual Tournament Organizers' discretion as to whether or not Dominick may be allowed to participate in their events.

Thank you for taking the time to read this. Please be sure to join the new West Palm Beach Smash page to continue keeping up with events in West Palm.

*****Update July 4th, 2021*****

A friend of Dominick's came forward and confirmed that the relationship was sexual while she was still a minor. Due to this new information, Dominick is banned permanently from all local South Florida events, and will be added to the Global Banlist.