

Distant Horizons Server Rules

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1. Chat Rules

a. Advertising

- i. It shall be prohibited for any member, whether through server link or other form, to advertise another Minecraft server through any channels of DH. This includes advertising through building or pictures.

- i. **1st Offense: Permanent Ban**

b. Inappropriate Language

- i. While DH allows mild cussing, it shall be prohibited for any member to use any discriminatory language or slurs, to spam or excessively send cussing messages, or to use language which is harmful or disruptive for another player.

- i. **1st Offense: Warning**

- ii. **2nd Offense: 1 Hour Mute**

- iii. **3rd Offense: 1 Day Mute**

- iv. **4th Offense: 1 Day Ban**

- v. **5th Offense: 7 Day Ban**

- vi. **6th Offense: Permanent Ban**

- ii. If the member committing this offense sends a message containing a severe slur or discriminatory language, it shall be the discretion of the DH Staff Team member if that member shall be banned from the server instead of the traditional guide of punishments for this offense.

c. Spam

- i. It shall be prohibited for any member to send repeated messages with the intent to annoy or alarm another player. This includes messages that cause a disruption in the normal flow of server chat.

- i. **1st Offense: Warning**

- ii. **2nd Offense: 1 Hour Mute**

- iii. **3rd Offense: 1 Day Mute**

- iv. **4th Offense: 1 Day Ban**

- v. **5th Offense: 7 Day Ban**

- vi. **6th Offense: Permanent Ban**

d. Toxicity / Harassment / Trolling

- i. It shall be prohibited for any member to send any message, regardless of the channel it is sent in, to another member or in public chats with the intent to be excessively toxic or rude to that member or to the community as a whole. This includes topics such as politics or sexual chat.

- i. 1st Offense: Warning
- ii. 2nd Offense: 1 Hour Mute
- iii. 3rd Offense: 1 Day Mute
- iv. 4th Offense: 1 Day Ban
- v. 5th Offense: 7 Day Ban
- vi. 6th Offense: Permanent Ban

e. Use of English Language

- i. DH is a North American based Minecraft Server. Therefore, we require the use of the English language in all public chat channels to allow for effective moderation and for the safety of all players.
- ii. Outside of all public chat channels, members may send messages to one another in whichever language is easiest for those members to communicate with each other.

- i. 1st Offense: Warning
- ii. 2nd Offense: 1 Hour Mute
- iii. 3rd Offense: 1 Day Mute
- iv. 4th Offense: 1 Day Ban
- v. 5th Offense: 7 Day Ban
- vi. 6th Offense: Permanent Ban

2. Server Integrity

Unless otherwise noted, the following rule violations shall be punished via the following format:

- 1st Offense: Warning**
- 2nd Offense: 1 Day Ban**
- 3rd Offense: 3 Day Ban**
- 4th Offense: 7 Day Ban**
- 5th Offense: Permanent Ban**

a. Cheating

- i. It shall be prohibited for any member to use any means to cheat or gain an unfair advantage in this server over another player. This includes, but is not limited to, the following:
 1. The use of a Minecraft Mod to provide an unfair advantage (Ex. Xray, Fly, etc.)
 2. The use of any system to provide the player with automation abilities not available to the general DH member.

i. 1st Offense: Permanent Ban

b. Exploiting

- i. It shall be prohibited for any member to engage in any conduct with the intent of exploiting the server in any way. This includes, but is not limited to, the following:
1. AFK/AFK Kick Avoidance
 2. Taking advantage of any server bugs
 3. Taking advantage of any member-known error in plugin or script.
 4. Attempting or succeeding in exploiting a Minecraft bug with the purpose of gaining an advantage over the common player.

i. 1st Offense: Permanent Ban

c. Fail To Report (FTR)

- i. Any member who has knowledge that another member is cheating and/or exploiting, it shall be required that the member report the other member to DH Staff with the knowledge of the committed offense.

i. 1st Offense: 1 Day Ban

ii. 2nd Offense: 7 Day Ban

iii. 3rd Offense: Permanent Ban

d. Griefing

- i. It shall be prohibited for any member to build and/or destroy the Earth world in the following manner:
1. Intentionally destroy the Earth world in any way outside of town claims to cause the Earth world to be unattractive or unsightly.
 2. Construct an inappropriate picture or structure.
 - a. If the structure or picture is such to portray discriminatory or derogatory conduct, the member shall be punished with a permanent ban.
 3. Build or destroy in the wilderness on the immediate borders of claimed towns with the intent to cause the land outside of claimed towns to be unattractive.
 4. There shall be no enforcement of griefing in the resource world, nether world, or end world.

i. 1st Offense: Warning

ii. 2nd Offense: 1 Day Ban

iii. 3rd Offense: 3 Day Ban

iv. 4th Offense: 7 Day Ban

v. 5th Offense: Permanent Ban

e. Inappropriate Skins

- i. It shall be prohibited for any member to use a skin on their character which shows any nude figure, discriminatory character, or discriminatory language.

- i. 1st Offense: Warning to Change Skin
- ii. 2nd Offense: Permanent Ban

f. Alternate Accounts

- i. Accounts on the same IP Address are allowed as long as they belong to different people. Alternate Accounts, used with the purpose of boosting town numbers, evading a punishment, or otherwise exploiting the server, are not allowed.

- i. 1st Offense: Permanent Ban of the Alternate Account and 1 day ban of Main Account
- ii. 2nd Offense: Permanent IP Ban

g. Personal Information

- i. Any discussions of threats related to DDoS attacks, cyber attacks, real-life threats or doxxing are strictly prohibited. These behaviors are not only illegal but pose serious risk to individuals and the community as a whole. This rule is subject to moderation on non-DH spaces.
- ii. Reports of serious threats or doxxing must include one or more of the following:

- 1. Extreme threats: Direct threats against a server member.
- 2. Incitement of Violence: Calls for extremely violence toward a member.
- 3. Major Doxxing: Significant exposure of a member's personal information.

a. Protected Personal Information Includes:

- i. Full names
- ii. Home, IP, or Work Address
- iii. Phone Numbers
- iv. Social Security or Governmental ID's
- v. Bank Account or Credit/Debit Card Information
- vi. Private correspondence not involving the releasing party
- vii. Criminal History
- viii. Personal Photos (without explicit written consent or if not publicly posted)

- 1. 1st Offense: Permanent Ban

h. Inappropriate Builds

- i. Builds that contain offensive, explicit, or otherwise inappropriate content are strictly prohibited. This includes any structures, signs, or artwork that may be deemed offensive to others.
- i. Stealing**
 - i. Taking items or resources from another player's builds or chests without permission is strictly forbidden.
 - 1. Note: Stealing is only enforced in claimed areas. To protect their items, players must use signs to lock and secure their chests.
- j. Server Performance**
 - i. Builds designed to slow down or crash the server, such as excessive redstone machines, large entity farms, or other performance-hindering structures, are not allowed.
- k. Claim Blocking**
 - i. Players may not use town claims to prevent another town from expanding.

3. Staff Instruction

a. Staff Order

- i. It shall be prohibited for any member to ignore the orders of any DH Staff Team member.
 - i. 1st Offense: Warning
 - ii. 2nd Offense: 1 Hour Mute / 1 Hour Ban
 - iii. 3rd Offense: 1 Day Mute / 1 Day Ban
 - iv. 4th Offense: 3 Day Ban
 - v. 5th Offense: 7 Day Ban
 - vi. 6th Offense: Permanent Ban

b. Punishment Evasion

- i. It shall be prohibited for any member to evade or avoid their punishment, whether through server chat, discord chat, or other means. Your punishments should not be aired out in public chats. If you have questions or comments regarding your punishment(s), you should make a ticket.
 - i. 1st Offense: Warning
 - ii. 2nd Offense: 1 Day Punishment Extension
 - iii. 3rd Offense: 7 Day Punishment Extension
 - iv. 4th Offense: Permanent Ban

4. Store Rules

a. Chargeback Violation

- i. Issuing or threatening to issue chargeback or any form of legal action against Distant Horizons will result in a permanent IP ban.

Disclaimer:

Any rule violation that occurs in the Distant Horizons Discord shall result in the equivalent punishment given in game, with, "Discord" signified in the punishment message. A player's behavior on discord and in game shall be grouped together.

Player Agreement: By connecting to Distant Horizons, you agree to follow all rules listed above. It is the responsibility of the player to read and understand the DH Server Rules prior to playing on Distant Horizons. A player choosing not to read the DH Server Rules does not exempt the player from breaking DH Server Rules.