



## **BRITISH BLACK LIVES MATTER FORUM RULES - PLEASE READ BEFORE USING**

**Welcome.** The BLACK LIVES MATTER members' forum is an online community for full members of the BRITISH BLACK LIVES ALLIANCE to connect with other members, to discuss the ways and action to eradicate racism from Britain.

### **How we connect**

When you register, you'll be asked to use your own name as a user name. We want to create a healthy and inviting environment, and we think using real names helps create that atmosphere.

We expect all members to contribute to creating an open and welcoming forum. This means respecting others' opinions, no swearing, no discrimination, whatsoever no aggression and of course no racism, and nothing that is legally actionable.

When you post, please write clearly, so that other members find it easy to read and comment on your thoughts; stay on topic; and treat others as you would like them to treat you.

Please do not post personal information in public.

### **What we talk about**

This forum is for anti-racist supporting British Black Lives Matter cause. Please read the 'About us' section of our website [www.blacklivesmatter.uk](http://www.blacklivesmatter.uk) for a clear idea of our remit and goal.

This is not the forum for general enquiries, right-wing members, racist, antisemitism

We are non-political, inclusive, for political activism there are numerous other BLM activist coalition and groups dealing with political subjects far better than we ever could, who may join the forum.

We do not guarantee to respond to direct questions posed on threads, but will endeavour to reply to DMs.h

### **Moderating this forum**

This community will be as good as its members make it. It's in everyone's interest to carry out and promote good practice, and to counter bad practice. The forum operates a post-moderation policy. Moderators will, in certain cases, edit or delete content that contravenes the community guidelines.

If a moderator takes action against an individual, the individual in question will be contacted directly with an explanation and will have the chance to explain their case. Moderators will try to resolve any issues through discussion.

Moderators will try to remove any comments that contravene community guidelines within 48 hours of being notified of a breach.

We don't allow:

- Advertising or other commercial content, company logos, links, or company names
- Spam, unwanted contact, or content that is shared repeatedly in a disruptive manner

Content that endorses or promotes illegal or harmful activity, or that is profane, vulgar, obscene, threatening, harassing, racist or Antisemitism

- Content that is discriminatory
- Attempts to impersonate another person, account, or entity
- Content that is illegal
- Trolling or repeatedly targeting community members

In the event of repeated or severe violations, we may suspend or permanently deactivate the account(s) in question.

### **Think before you comment**

If you find yourself in a dispute, stop and think about the effect your next post might have. In these moments, ask yourself, "Is this worth it?" or "What do I gain if I continue to engage in this conflict?" Acknowledging harassment, abuse, racism, antisemitism by engaging in harassment, abuse, racism, antisemitism yourself can reinforce bad behaviour and may encourage the other person to continue their aggressive behaviour.