Subject: Anonymity
Posted by Gary on Sun, 25 Apr 2004 18:19:12 GMT
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Me and some others have been in a little discussion about ethics on the internet. Is that an oxymoron? There are websites, chatrooms and auctions with guys running around using fake names to generate interest in their products and other hidden agendas. They will give themselves glowing reviews, using another name to look like a uninterested third party. They pick fights and spread rumors to tarnish competitors reputations. It is certainly unethical, but are some of these practices also potentially illegal? Your comments please.

Subject: Re: Anonymity
Posted by Wayne Parham on Sun, 25 Apr 2004 20:28:26 GMT
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I think I know the places of which you speak. Some of 'em are pretty full of bullys, artificially inflated interest, content-loading, controversy and trashy posts. One in particular allows this kinds of thing just to increase traffic. Nasty behavior, and done at the expense of its sponsors and industry leaders, since they are the usual targets. Those kinds of issues are exactly why this website was formed. The moderators here are all committed to making sure it doesn't happen on this website.