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How to fix long URLs in Forum Posted by jchunick - 2014/03/09 06:43 It's a single line of CSS that you need to set your element containing the post: word-wrap: break-word; for more information see here: http://css-tricks.com/snippets/css/prevent-long-urls-from-breaking-out-of-container/ Please fix this soon. You can see it's broken my post very badly: http://www.dwarvenforge.com/forum?func=view&catid=10&id=61526 Re:How to fix long URLs in Forum Posted by jackattack - 2014/03/09 11:38 Or use the third button from the right in the dark grey box when you post. (Or when you go back and edit.) The one that looks like a tiny globe with a short chain at the bottom right, next to the eBay button. Paste the URL in the field on the left -- be careful not to double up on "h t t p : / /" up front. Type any text in the field on the right. Re: How to fix long URLs in Forum Posted by jchunick - 2014/03/09 13:22 Sorry, but I'm going to pull on my web developer hat here and insist it should be fixed on their end. I do web development for a living and when it's that easy of a fix on their end nobody on our end should have to do any kind of workaround. Re:How to fix long URLs in Forum Posted by jackattack - 2014/03/10 17:48

And now the website is wrapping ordinary text by breaking words wherever the characters-per-line limit hits, rather than keeping words whole.

# **Dwarven Forge - Dwarven Forge** Generated: 1 February, 2015, 19:43 I vote for changing it back. Re:How to fix long URLs in Forum Posted by jchunick - 2014/03/10 21:01 There are other CSS styles that can be set, such as white-space: pre-line or hyphens: auto Or a slightly more involved (but just barely) option that uses javascript instead: https://code.google.com/p/hyphenator/ Anyways, I pointed out a problem that was breaking the page - and not just my page, but there are others I've personally come across here. I think that addressing an issue like that might take a bit of time and tweaking on the part of the web developer maintaining the site to get it right so it's good for me and you... and others. Re:How to fix long URLs in Forum Posted by jackattack - 2014/03/11 10:43 Really? One person complains about one of his posts (and a few others') being "broken" because he doesn't want to use the tools provided to prevent exactly that problem, and the solution is to "break" every single post on the forum (his, mine, and everyone else's) in a way that can't be corrected from the users' end. \_\_\_\_\_\_

## Re: How to fix long URLs in Forum

Posted by jchunick - 2014/03/11 12:32

Yes, really.

So I can get this straight, you think those tools up there above me as I type this message are for me to make sure I don't break the site?

Heck, let's assume I could use those tools to inject malicious code into the site; does that mean that those tools were intended to function that way? Just because I can use a wrench to hammer a nail doesn't mean it should be used for that.

You clearly don't agree with my POV, but now it just seems like you're taking it out on me how they implemented the fix. Let me remind you that I don't run this website and I have no control over what they decide to do.

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For the record, I would actually try to fix the new issue that has cropped up as it will probably start to annoy me too. However, I would only revert back to how it was before if I couldn't fix it. Breaking a site is a huge issue and has always been top priority in my books and the web development community as a whole.

## Re:How to fix long URLs in Forum Posted by jackattack - 2014/03/11 13:33

Do I think the links button was designed to insert links into posts as something other than the full URL? Yes.

Do I disagree with your POV that the website code should be changed just so you (and the rest of us) don't have to use a button and two fields to keep a post from breaking the container? Yes.

Do I think you have any control over the website? No. But in eight years, I have never seen a suggested alteration to the site made so quickly, if at all. And never for something that was correctable on the user's end and never with such a pervasive unintended result.

I'm not accusing anyone of trying to hurt the website. But clearly a localized, occasional, user-preventable problem has been replaced with another that affects the entire forum all the time.

It should be just as easy to change it back until the correct code can be figured out. Or we can use the posting tools we have. Whichever.

## Re:How to fix long URLs in Forum

Posted by jchunick - 2014/03/11 13:49

So then why go after me for all this? This is bordering on personal attack, especially since this section of the forum is intended for posting website and other suggestions. It's not titled "How can we mess with jackattack's experience on the site."

:-)

I don't have any animosity toward you but you're making it very difficult.

I have a good idea: let's get this thread locked and I'll even post a new one here pertaining to the new, usability issue with the wrapped words on your behalf with some suggestions for fixes.

## Re:How to fix long URLs in Forum

Posted by jackattack - 2014/03/11 14:17

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If I were going after you, I'd have used your name. I used general, non-specific terms to try to keep my posts from becoming personal.

You read way too much into my posts. As you are the only other person active in the thread, that's understandable. But you are the one making personal comments, not me.

I suggested a work-around, I pointed out a problem caused by the solution, and I expressed surprise that suddenly one post can get immediate action and that the resultant site-wide problem has been allowed to stand.

Then I responded when you started putting words in my mouth. Step back, take a breath, and reread.

I won't post to this thread again. But I do hope that the wrapping problem will be addressed as quickly as the URL problem was.

#### Re:How to fix long URLs in Forum

Posted by jchunick - 2014/03/11 14:56

I did feel like I was being personally attacked. I see you did not mean it that way so I won't look at it like that any further. For what it's worth, I'm sorry the change broke the usability of the site so I will do as I suggested and create a new thread here to address it and maybe it'll get fixed fast.

I understand your frustration with the usability issue arising from the technical issue that was fixed, and as a developer I would certainly endeavour to address it as best I could.

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## Re:How to fix long URLs in Forum

Posted by jchunick - 2014/03/12 02:37

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Ok, so now that all that drama is passed I realized a pretty big mistake I originally made when making the CSS suggestion. I forgot to also add the line:

word-break: break-word;

Adding that to the post class will fix the issue jackattack was commenting about. I'm sorry I didn't catch that sooner, but there were other distractions.

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