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# faqs FAQ: Posting guidelines for ba.market newsgroups

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Only items actually available in the San Francisco Bay Area (which is what ba.\* refers to) should be posted here. (Out of the area mail order is not OK.) The operative ad guidelines are available in complete form at <<http://www.fmn.net/FAQ>. (If that site does not respond, try <<http://faqs.org/faqs/misc-forsale-faq/buying-selling/> or <<http://www.landfield.com/faqs/misc-forsale-faq/buying-selling/>.) misc.forsale.\* guidelines apply to ba.market.\* and related newsgroups. As a matter of convenience, I have extracted here the essential elements of the FAQ that pertain to ads: ===== = ... 2.)

As a courtesy to those of us with limited access, please learn how to cancel articles before you post. After your item has sold, it is courteous to cancel your ad electronically. Often, you need only press a capital C while re-reading your article, but this varies. When in doubt, ask your local system administrator for help. 3.) The Usenet Marketplace is serious business. Please make certain you are posting to the appropriate group, and please don't post test articles, joke ads, or unrealistic schemes to the Marketplace. Such activities have helped others lose their accounts. ... The Usenet Marketplace is intended to provide a forum for individuals and companies to dispose of goods they no longer need, and also to serve as a means of advertising for organizations and individuals who offer goods and services of special interest to the readership. More specifically, misc.forsale groups are reserved for individual-to-individual sales of goods the seller doesn't need any more, as you might see at a garage sale. The groups in biz.marketplace, meanwhile, are specifically for profit-motivated entities

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