

DC++ : Using DC++ : What to do if I've been banned?

Question:

Answer:

There are two types of bans, temporary and permanent.

Temporary bans last for 10 minutes (usually) and can occur for various reasons ranging from an unsuccessful connection attempt (connection was broken while sending a command for instance) to you being kicked from the hub (most likely to happen).

Permanent bans are entered manually or scripted and they last until the permanent ban list is cleared or somebody removes you on the hub. It means that your Nickname / IP is not allowed to connect to that hub any more, neither with DC++ or NMDC. Most hubs have reasonable owners and OP's that ban for logical reasons such as fake sharing, sharing illegal or unethical things (child pornography or nazi propogand spring to mind). There are also those that will ban you for less reasonable reasons, such as you're choice of client or because the OP has a sore tooth...if you run into the second type, the best thing you can do is to avoid it in the future, who cares about them anyway? If you've been banned for reasons of the first category, you've only got yourself to blame...

You can either:

- Fix what was wrong and wait for the ban to expire, if it is a temporary ban.
- Contact one of the hub ops outside of the hub. You may find contact details in the hub's welcome message or website if they have one. Hublist.org is useful tool for finding users in other hubs. Googleing for the OPs name might also turn up a contact method.
- Get someone else to go into the hub for you to plead your case.
- Move on to another hub. There are plenty out there.