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I am writing to express my concern at eBay's attempt to force all transactions on eBay to use PayPal.

I am an eBay user (buyer not seller) and wish to have the freedom of choice for how I pay for my goods. I would have thought that what eBay is planning to implement amounts to third line forcing (I am not a legal expert so while it may not technically be third line forcing it amounts to the same thing).

eBay cite buyer security as the reason for the change. I always pay for my eBay purchases using direct debit which is totally in my control and I have never had an issue. I always choose sellers with good feedback as a safeguard against non delivery of goods or misrepresented goods..

Forcing sellers to only accept PayPal, with it's additional charges (which ultimately go to the eBay parent company) will inevitably lead to less choice in sellers on eBay and higher prices to cover the additional charges. Neither of these help the consumer.

As a consumer I refuse to give my credit card details to a third party such as PayPal so for me it will remove eBay as a product source in future, again reducing competition.

Just as an aside I wanted to let eBay know that they will lose my business when they implement this change but there is nowhere on the eBay site to leave general feedback that will get to people responsible for making decisions.

Regards
Ken Briggs

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