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dear ACCG,

I don't believe that ebay can restrict trade like this with ne wrules about paypal being the only acceptable method. If this becomes legal in Australia, the rest of the world will follrow, for ebay to make more money.

As a seller, i believe that is against the decisons sellers shoud be able to make in thier business. As paypal is an ebay company, I find that his must breach against anti-competition rules in Australia.

I am not saying that paypal doesn't have a place, or you don't have a right to use it, as it is my preference for international purchases, and for items you can't afford all at once, but other companies, like paymate, allow you to fee share or charge more reasonable rates. Sellers should be able to set the guidelines, and buyers make purchase decisions based on that. Customers will pay more for your items, or will not be able to get a good bargain anymore as sellers will choose to withdraw or not offer cheap products anymore, which restricts trade.

Ebay are saying that this is about a 2.5% in additional fees, but for the seller, it will work out more than that if you count the small sales and the extra 30 cents that paypal charge per transaction. I roughly estimate 4% but wil probably be more. On a \$7 item, on top of the ebay fees, it costs the seller another 48 cents to accept paypal on that sale, so in that case it has added 14% to the cost of the sale. ON a \$30 sale, the cost is \$1 on top of the ebay fees, w hich is 3.3%.

Paypal protects the customer, but not the seller who can prove they do the right thing, but as Australia post is non-compliant with Paypal rules (don't offer the services at a reasonable rate), a lot of sellers may also insist on insurance for items to protect themselves at another cost of \$2 to \$2.60, depending on the seller.

Ebay is hiding the address for the petition, and although they say the message went up on the 19th about being able to join an in person meeting to discuss those changes, I would like proof of that. When i saw it pop up on the 24th, with a closing date of Monday the 28th, and i tried ot register, it said registrations were closed. They need to sit up and take notice of the ill feeling towards the new plan

Thanks,

Jolana

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