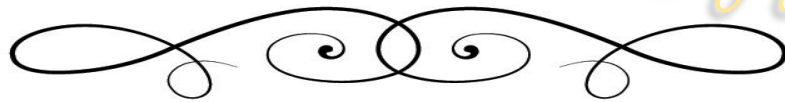


Bacon and Eggs



THE SECRET RECIPE

Hello, dear writers!

With the final deadline approaching, the mods have prepared a guide detailing on AO3's features and the process of posting for the 2018 round. Some participants are understandably confused about tagging/submission requirements, so please read through this guide!

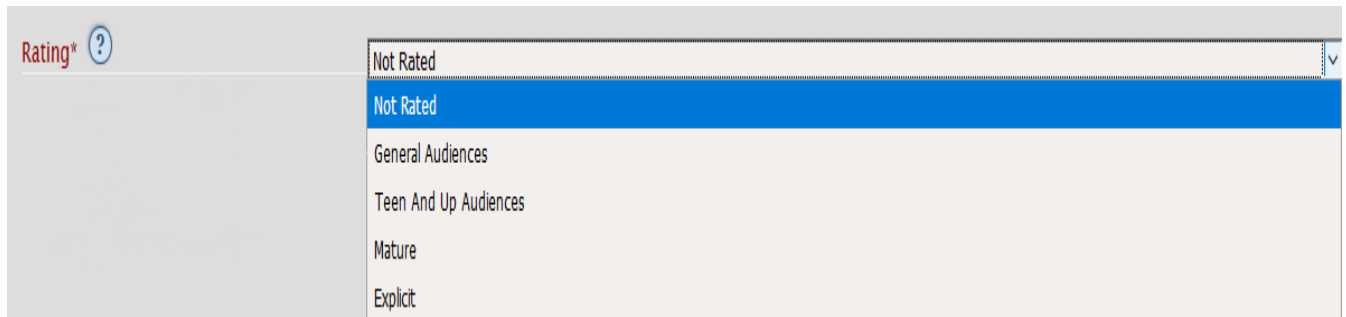
Before anything else, we would like to make it clear that the mods will post your work for you under our account, Baeconandeggs, on AO3. This is done to make sure that no sudden reveal of author identity will be made by accident/on purpose before the reveals and to keep posting as organized as possible, as opposed to letting writers/participants add their own posts to our collection, which other fests might otherwise allow.

Posting on your behalf helps us keep better track of all drafts submitted to our fest and exchange. This also takes away the burden of dealing with all of AO3's requirements prior to posting and posting itself from writers not familiar with or confident in using AO3. For writers who do know the ways of AO3, see this as less work for you to handle. If anyone has concerns, please send the mods on email.

Without further ado, the mods present to you AO3's prerequisites to posting.



RATING

A screenshot of a web form showing a dropdown menu for 'Rating*'. The menu is open, displaying five options: 'Not Rated' (highlighted in blue), 'General Audiences', 'Teen And Up Audiences', 'Mature', and 'Explicit'. A question mark icon is visible next to the 'Rating*' label.

The **writer** will decide the rating of his/her work. This merely serves as a guide to those who are not well-briefed on the differences between ratings.

- ❖ **Not Rated**
 - For searching, screening, and other Archive functions, this may get treated the same way as explicit-rated content. In reality, it could be anything from porn to completely family-friendly stuff. Choose this rating if you prefer not to rate your content; however, we strongly advise that you *do* as to avoid future confusion and issues.
- ❖ **General Audiences**
 - The content of your fic is suitable for anyone. If your work has mild kissing and hand holding, it's okay to use this rating
- ❖ **Teen and Up Audiences**
 - The content may be inappropriate for audiences under the age of 13. Use this rating if your fic has swear words, french kissing to torrid kissing, mild touching, or minor depictions of violence
- ❖ **Mature**
 - For content with adult themes (sex, violence, etc.) that are not too graphic
- ❖ **Explicit**
 - For content with thoroughly described/detailed sex scenes and violence, etc

!!! WARNING !!!

Mature and explicit content ahead.

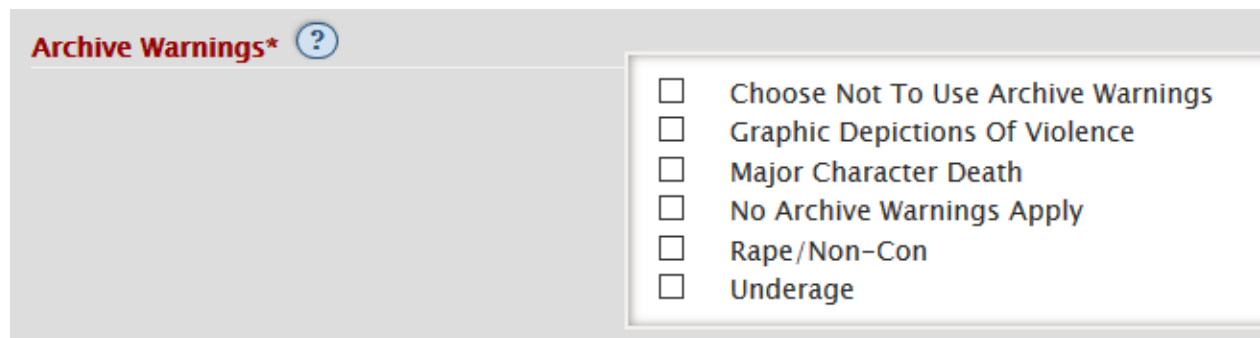
MATURE VS. EXPLICIT

MATURE: There was a severed hand.

EXPLICIT: There was a severed hand, with blood dripping and pooling on the cold tiled floor. The flesh looked mangled, as if ripped apart by inhumane teeth, like a beast's.

Should you need a better explanation, here is a link to an example the mods found to be funny and at the same time, informative: <http://tinsnip.tumblr.com/post/94902447909/okay-so-im-actually-about-to-write-a-porn-fic>

ARCHIVE WARNINGS



Archive Warnings* ?

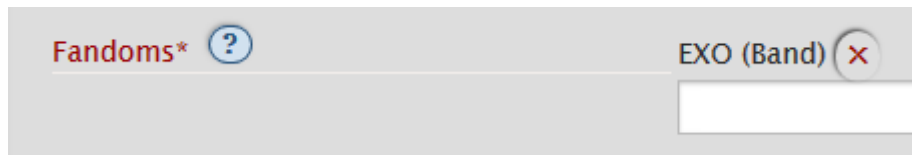
- Choose Not To Use Archive Warnings
- Graphic Depictions Of Violence
- Major Character Death
- No Archive Warnings Apply
- Rape/Non-Con
- Underage

- ❖ **Choose Not To Use Archive Warnings**
 - Use this if you don't want to warn for anything (because you don't like warnings, you are avoiding spoilers, etc...) included in the Archive Warnings **UNLESS** your work has rape/non-con inclusions, for which you are **required** to have that specific warning tagged
- ❖ **Graphic Depictions Of Violence**
 - Use this for gory or graphic violence. Exactly where to draw the line is your call
- ❖ **Major Character Death**
 - Baekhyun and/or Chanyeol dies or is/are dead
- ❖ **No Archive Warnings Apply**
 - Use this if you don't have to warn for anything included in the Archive Warnings (if your work contains no graphic depictions of violence, major character death, rape/non-con, or underage sexual scenes)
- ❖ **Rape/Non-Con**
 - **YOU MUST SELECT THIS OPTION if your work contains rape/non-con.** If the mods find out that your work has any of these elements and you did not include this warning, we will take your entry down

❖ **Underage**

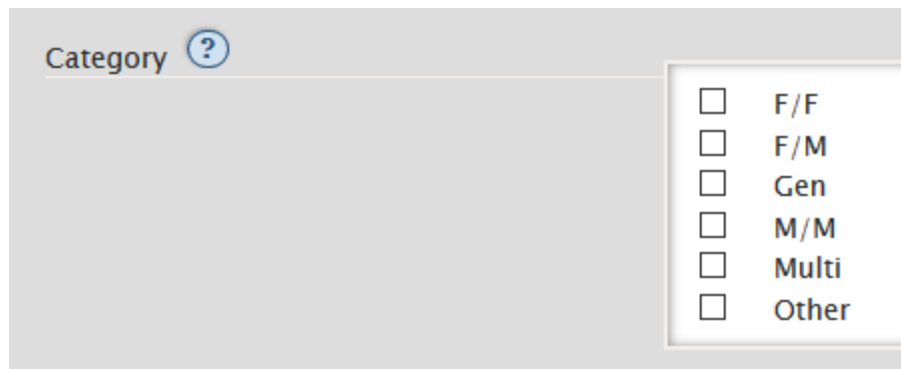
- This is for descriptions or depictions of sexual activity by characters under the age of 18

FANDOMS



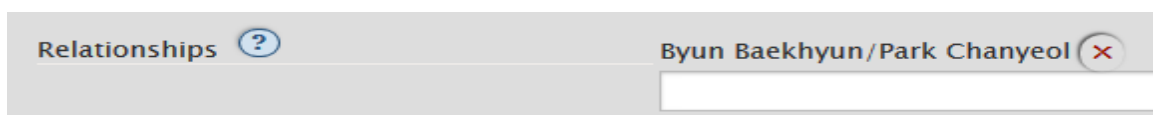
- ❖ The **default** option is “EXO (Band)”

CATEGORY



- ❖ The default option is “M/M”
- ❖ If your work is a gender bender, in which either Baekhyun or Chanyeol is female, please specify “F/M”
- ❖ If BOTH Chanyeol and Baekhyun are females, please specify “F/F”

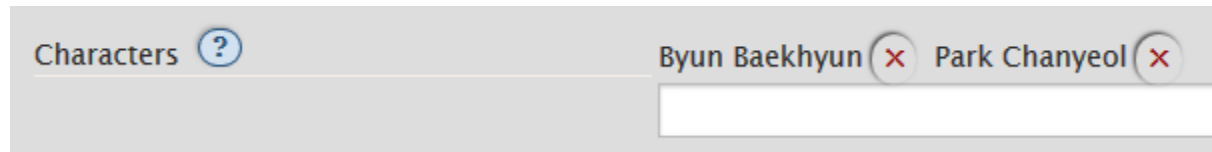
RELATIONSHIPS



- ❖ The default option is “Byun Baekhyun/Park Chanyeol”

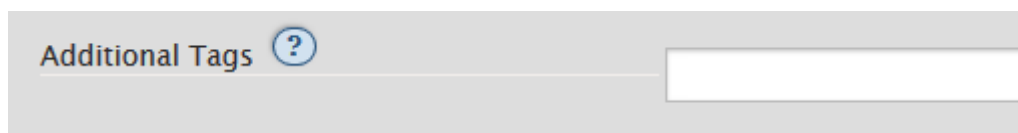
- ❖ If there are other significant pairings in your work, you may list them as “member/member” and then separate them with a comma (for example: Do Kyungsoo/Kim Jongjin, Zhang Yixing/Kim Junmyeon)

CHARACTERS

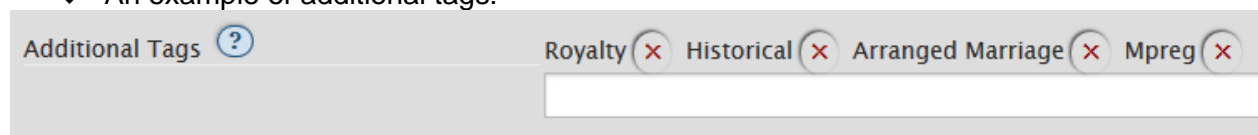


- ❖ Byun Baekhyun and Park Chanyeol will, by default, be tagged here
- ❖ If you have other EXO members or characters in your work, please list them with their full names and separate each one with a comma. If they have stage names, indicate these after their full names (for example: Kim Jongin | Kai)
 - This is to avoid incorrect tags
- ❖ If you have original characters, in which the characters’ names are made up, please specify “Original Characters” or “Original Child Characters”

ADDITIONAL TAGS



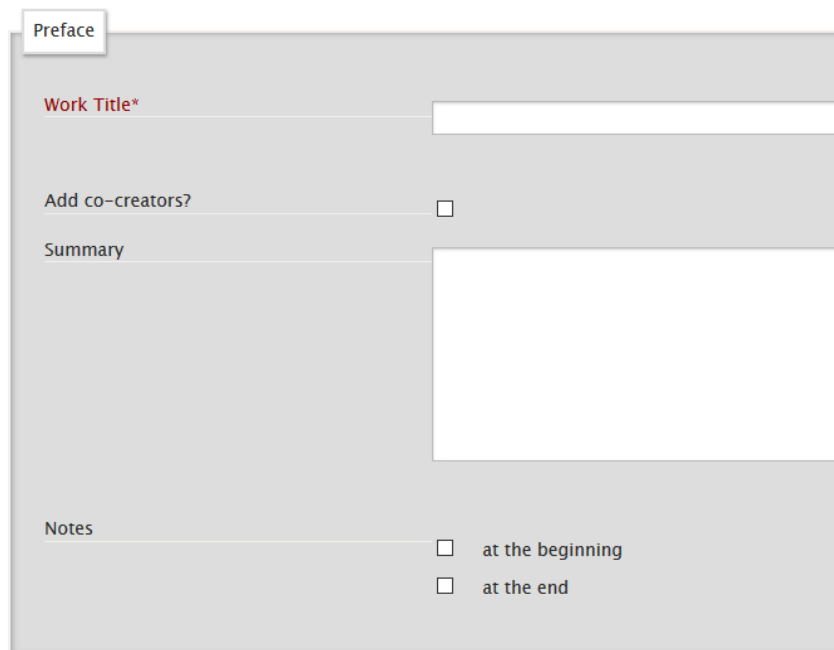
- ❖ Any other tags you want to give your work, please include them here
- ❖ You may also use this field to mention things (warnings) not covered by the Archive Warnings. Please do not enter fandom, relationship, or character names in this field. Multiple tags should be separated by commas
- ❖ An example of additional tags:



- **IMPORTANT:** Triggering themes include but are not limited to the following: dubcon, noncon, rape, drug use, drug abuse, violence, gore, mutilation, character harm, self-harm, character death, kinks of all kinds, and dom/sub relationship. **ALL TRIGGERING THEMES IN YOUR WORK MUST BE TAGGED.** If the mods find out that your work contains any of the aforementioned themes and you did not tag it, we will take your entry down

If you are still unsure on anything we have by far discussed, please send the mods an email.

PREFACE



The image shows a screenshot of a web form titled "Preface". The form has a light gray background and a white border. It contains the following fields and options:

- Work Title***: A text input field with a white background and a gray border.
- Add co-creators?**: A checkbox with a white background and a gray border.
- Summary**: A large text area with a white background and a gray border.
- Notes**: A text input field with a white background and a gray border, followed by two radio button options:
 - at the beginning
 - at the end

- **Work Title:** (title of your entry) [maximum of 255 characters, spaces are counted]
- **Co-creators:** [TAKE NOTE: the mods will only tag you as co-creator of your work once the reveals post is up. If you changed your AO3 username or if you created an AO3 account AFTER claiming your prompt, please let us know so the mods will update our database and tag you correctly.]
- **Summary:** Your summary can be a one liner catch phrase or a whole paragraph. It depends on you! Author's notes and comments should not be made here.
- **Notes:** This is where you put your "Author's notes". The mods will include all author's notes at the beginning (preceding the actual fic) so please be aware of that, if you choose to include spoilers, hints, or warnings here. If you want your note to be placed after your work, please tell the mods in the final submission guidelines email that you will send us Feel free to address your beta, friends, and/or readers however you wish. Because fics are anonymous until reveals, please refrain from mentioning names explicitly. We recommend addressing them with just initials as to avoid giving out clues of your identity.

Lastly, please do not forget to attach your work ONLY as .doc, .docx, or .txt.

If you have questions not answered by this guide, you can always send the mods an email!
Thank you and good luck!!!

With Love,

Bae Mods