Subject: Re: Would it be advisable to purchase a motherboard from e-bay? Posted by Romaner on Wed, 16 May 2007 16:39:51 GMT

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ok well i can give you some tips on ebay, but im not very knowlegeble when it comes to pc components, like i have put my last 2 pcs together all by myself and bought the parts for them, but i havent looked into the new things out there for a year now, basically when buying from ebay, look at the sellers feedback. how many transactions they have done. i mean you dont want to buy it from someone whe only sold a total of 3 items since they are not very experienced yet, so look for someone who has atleast 200 or more transactions by their name, its the number in brackets beside their name, also look at feedback if its less than 95% i usually dont buy from them, also look if they state shipping price, or if they have shipping insurance, because on a motherboard you should get insurance since you know anything can happen. if they dont state the price message them and ask them. i noticed some people sell items really cheap then make lots of money off shipping. for example they will say a 150\$ mobo is for 90\$, and they dont state the shipping price. so you buy it thinking its really cheap and a great deal, and then they tell you shipping is 50\$ so really you dont end up getting the deal you originally though you were. also if its a bid and not a direct sale then you should wait till the last minute to bid then your more likely to be the winner and not drive the price up by bidding too many times and giving the other person lots of time to reraise their bid.

yeah i guess you could say im an ebayer lol.

hope this helps. if you got more questions let me know.

oh btw i have never had a product that i bought from ebay that did not do its job. since if it is a scam and in your case the mobo doesnt work you could report them to ebay staff and give them negative feedback for scamming you. you might not be able to get your money back but you could cause that seller alot of problems so most would rather give you your money back instead. so i would say it is pretty safe to buy stuff from ebay.

i have bought games, clothes, and car parts from ebay and been pretty satisfied with it so far. except one pair of shoes i bought didnt fit me, i guess i should have went a size up lol. but they were 80\$ cheaper then then in the stores here so i had no problem selling them to someone else