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# 12 Tips To Help You Get More Sales From Your Classified Ads

Classified ad advertising is alive and well. 10's of thousands of classified ads are posted on hundreds of classified ad sites everyday. So how do you get prospects to take notice and more importantly take action on your classified ads? Here are some tips which should help you get more sales and prospects from your classified ad postings.

1. Understand What The Goal Of Your Classified Ad Is- Is the goal to make your classified ad to list a long list of boring features of your product or service? No, your goal is to get the prospect to call you, email you or click the link to your website.

Once you have your goal firmly in your mind then your ad will start taking shape nicely.

#### 2. ★ ★ Get Their Attention With The Headline!

The first thing your prospect will see is the headline. You must distinguish yourself from the hundreds of similar text ads on the page.

One way is through the use of symbols. Here is a list of eye-catching symbols that you can use in your headlines to catch your prospect's attention and distinguish yourself from the other boring text only classified ads.

The technical term is "ASCII Symbol", if you use some of the corresponding ASCII codes below in your classified ad titles, you too can have your ads stand out in the sea of bland text ads.

- **▲** &#9650:
- **▶ ▶** &#9654 ▶
- **&#9622**:

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So for instance, the sample classified ads title, " &#9654 &#9654 Incredible 4 Hands Magic Massage! &#9654 &#9654 Leave Completely Satisfied And Stress Free&#9654 &#9654

will convert to

"▶ ► Incredible 4 Hands Magic Massage! ► ► Leave Completely Satisfied And Stress Free ► ►"

Here is an example of a subject line with symbols. Which of these ads draws your attention?

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CARGO VAN, TRUCK, OR LABOR - ASAP MOVING AND DELIVERY SERVICES - (MANHATTAN & VICINITY) Plasma & Lcd Mounting. "The Guy" NYC Most known media expert. - (Best Professional Services in town.) img skilled trade something and the services in town. The Guy of the Guy o
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3. Now That You Have Their Attention Get Them To Take Action! You got them into your ad. Congratulations! Now you want them to call, click your website link or email you. Say something unique about your product or service. Avoid cliches and be descriptive. If you are renting an apartment you could say something like "Have your cocktails underneath coconut trees while watching dolphins play." Do not just say "the apartment has a nice view." Give you prospects the actual benefits of your product or service.

Also, do not shout using ALL CAPS. This will only

annoy the readers of your ad.

4. **Use Pictures**- Wet their appetite. Give them a taste and they will want more. They were already looking for what you are offering. Now get them excited with the best pictures you can provide. Think about it, when you are looking to buy don't you want pictures? Build your prospect's desire to take action and call.



#### 5. Tell Them What To Do (Call To Action)

Remember tip number 1? Know what the goal of your ad is. The goal is to have your prospect call, email or click on your website link. Do not assume they will do this even if you have the best ad in the world! Tell your prospects exactly what to do. "Call me at this number", "Click this website link to learn more", "Email me hear for more info." This is called a "call to action" in marketing lingo. It is very important. Most people who are not professional marketers forget this simple concept. Sales people also use this idea when the "ask for the order."

Many sales people make beautiful presentations but never actually come out and ask the client to purchase his product. Your product right now is just an action. You want the client to take action and contact you. Tell them to do so. Ask them to contact you. There is also, nothing wrong with having all 3 calls to action in your ad! This is a simple yet powerful concept that most marketers overlook.

6. Focus On The Benefits Over The Features-For example if you were a therapeutic masseuse and you were running an ad for your services instead of saying "I have studied Shiatsu, reflexology, traditional thai and deep tissue," you could say "You will end your session refreshed, invigorated, satisfied and completely relieved from 7. Take Some Time To Write A Great Ad- If you just write a hurried ad with typos and no pictures the chances of people calling are greatly diminished. Take your time and put some thought



into the ad. What is the sense in having a catchy headline then losing them on a shoddy ad? Do your best, think about what type of ad would get you to take action and call, click or email for more info. A well-crafted complete ad will inspire confidence in your potential buyer.

- 8. Avoid Long Rambling Run On Paragraphs-Use Bullet Points Instead- You want your ad to be complete but you are not writing a novel. Bullet points quickly tell your reader your main benefits and lead them to taking action faster. Use bullet points, they work.
- 9. **Know Your Audience** Will they respond to a slick corporate style ad or do you think they will prefer a more down-home style? Some people feel more comfortable dealing with a solid corporate style of business others prefer to deal with just regular folks one on one. If you are not sure which style will work better for your product or service try both styles!
- 10. Learn A Little Html- If you learn just a little bit of html your ads can really stand out. For example you can make some important features bold. It is actually easy. Just put <b> at the beginning of the phrases or words you want to be bold and </b> at the end. Everything in between <b> and </b> will be bold. You can also create hyperlinks with calls to action. For example you can say "click here" and the link will be hyperlinked. If you write this <a

href="http://www.yourwebsite.com">Click Here</a>
it will produce a hyperlink with a call to action. Html
is not that hard and you do not have to be an
expert. Just learning how to do bold and link tags
will already help make your ads stand out from the
mass of plain text ads.



11. Tips For Posting Multiple Ads On The Most Popular Classified Ads Sites- It can be very beneficial to post multiple ads in different cities and categories if your product appeals to those audiences. The only problem is that some of the more popular sites block multiple ad posting.

Classified sites have varying policies on these issues. I am not suggesting that you spam categories that have nothing to do with your offer but if your ad is relevant to different categories and geographical areas then it might work well for you to post multiple ads. Some classified ads sites have automatic blocks in place which will still block legitimate advertisers who wish to post relevant multiple ads. Here are some tips:

- Use A Unique Email Address For Each Ad Posting- You can easily get a free yahoo or gmail account to use for your different ad postings.
- Use Unique Descriptions For Each Ad- Not only is this good seo to help the search engines find your ads but it helps you bypass the mindless impersonal filters that some sites have in place.
- Change Your Ip Address Frequently- If you post continually from the same ip address you can trigger an automatic block. There are services which allow you to change your ip address easily. <u>Here is a good VPN service.</u>
- **Use Different Titles** This tip is especially good for avoiding user flagging. Some users who see the same title in ads will assume

that it is spam and contact the admin of the site by clicking a little button. Most of the time admins do not have time to actually individually review flagged ads so they just delete all flagged ads.

- Put Some Time Between Your Ads- Do not post more than 10 ads at a time. Posting classified ads is better done a little bit at a time. Maybe set a few minutes each day for this task and then move on to something else.
- 12. Embed YouTube Videos Into Your Classified Ad- The truth is you really cannot embed your YouTube videos directly into most popular classified ad sites but there is a cool trick you can do to have it look like you are embedding a video into your ad. First upload your video to YouTube. Then take a screenshot of your video. On the upper right hand side of most keyboards there is a button call "Prt Scr." Just go to your YouTube video, click "Prt scr" and then open up Paint or your favorite photo editing program. Paste the screenshot directly into Paint (ctrl-v) then save the screenshot to your desktop. Then upload your photo to your website or to your favorite photo hosting site. Then copy and paste this code into your classified ad:

<a href="http://www.youryoutubevideourl"><img src="http://www.websiteurltoyourimage/yourscreen shotimage.jpg"></img></a>

You will, of course, need the link to your <u>YouTube</u> video. Just go to your <u>YouTube</u> video, click share and the link to your <u>YouTube</u> video will appear. You can also look at the browser bar once your video is loaded into your browser and get your <u>YouTube</u> video url from there. It will look something like this: http://youtu.be/SRsOF7awnEM for the shortened url or like this: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SRsOF7awnEM for the direct url in your browser.

If you do everything I say above what you will get is something like what we have below. This is a

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