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Phillip, you mentioned a glitch when using Thunderbird to compose messages. I have run across the same thing and it exists in Thunderbird and in Mozilla e-mail as well. I have not found a way to correct it.

Thunderbird treats <Enter> as a hard carriage return. Fine, that is as it should be. The glitch is a <space>, a spacebar space, immediately preceding the <Enter> key carriage return is NOT treated properly. A blank line consisting of two characters, <space><Enter> simply disappears!

It is a flaw in both Thunderbird and Mozilla.

To demonstrate what I am talking about, the two sections below look identical while I am in "compose" but I have insert a <space> preceding every <Enter> carriage return in the second section. You do not see the mess until you send it. It really pisses me off when it happens to me. I try to be careful and make sure the carriage return is up against the last character in the line and a blank line consists only of a carriage return.

I don't know how to query Mozilla Org about the glitch.

I have attached the original .txt file (TBIRDTEST.TXT) to this email as TBIRDTEST.ZIP so you can see what I am talking about.

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