Diagnose TAB nametag flicker from competing team plugins

A flickering nametag can result from two plugins assigning different scoreboard teams. Reducing refresh intervals may only make their competition less visible without resolving ownership.

Prepare the test

Record which server owns TAB before changing its files. A proxy deployment can use different permission checks and command names from a backend deployment; edit the instance players actually see.

Make the change

1. Record which plugins manage nametags, glow, collision or team-based sorting. Check whether TAB’s scoreboard-team feature is enabled and note the other plugin’s documented integration options.
2. Choose a test account in a quiet area and observe prefix, colour and collision state. Capture when the state changes, including after a reconnect or another plugin’s visible action.
3. On a staging copy, disable one competing team feature through its own documented setting while leaving the plugin installed. Keep TAB’s other display features unchanged during the comparison.
4. Repeat the exact event sequence and compare the team-related output. If the flicker stops, choose a supported single owner or placeholder integration instead of running both features against each other.

Check the result

The nametag and related team properties should remain stable through the recorded events. Verify that the chosen integration still gives players the intended sorting and collision behaviour.

If the test fails

Restore the previous feature settings if the test identifies a different cause. Do not remove all scoreboard objectives or player data to clear a presentation conflict; preserve the event timeline for support.

TAB’s nametag guide explains that one team owner controls several properties together. Plan the whole feature interaction before changing only the visible prefix.

References and related help

Check the official TAB documentation against your installed release before using a command or setting from another version.

- Configure a Minecraft TAB list and scoreboard
- Find Minecraft logs and send useful troubleshooting details

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