

## Re: Filtering a Number of Comboboxes Before Their Forms are Opened(?)

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That is not so. It's not that big a deal to use one table to filter records in another table and my earlier reply demonstrated one way. Actually, there are several ways to do it using the same row source in all installations. The trick is to decide where to save the installation's Office value.

If the Office value is saved in a custom database property, then the query's criteria could use a trivial user defined function the retrieves the saved value.

Using the Open event to set the combo box's RowSource property is probably the most efficient, but it's unlikely enough of a gain to warrant the additional code.

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J\_Goddard via AccessMonster.com wrote:

To do what you are asking requires that the forms be opened in design view, the combo box sources changed to match the office, and the updated forms saved. While this can be done programmatically in VBA, it can be a pain. Much easier would be to set and keep the "Office" value in a table, as Marshall has suggested, then set the combo box sources in the form On Open events to suit each office's requirements.

croy wrote:

I'm trying to set up a "switch" in my db such that another office can get an updated front-end from me, and the first time they open the mdb, they can select their office, causing several cbos on various forms to change their rowsource (or change a criteria in their SQL) so that they don't have to weed thru so many choices.

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I've got a startup form with a cbo for selecting their office, and I've made it sticky, like it should be. But now, how to change what they see in the cbos on the other forms?