

## RE: Match Criteria or display All Records

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Thanks Anne,

I don't how it worked, but it did!

I think they want to do an OR multiple search and it's really causing me grief. I have one field called Keyword in the Customer Table, the idea is that they will separate with commas (text data type 255 chars).

They want to input say nine search words and find all companies that meet any one of those criteria.

Any ideas?

Sharon

"anonymous@discussions.microsoft.com" wrote:

> *Hey Sharon –*  
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> *To handle the null records put the forms!searchFrm!*  
> *SearchBox on the field line of a new column in your query*  
> *and then in the criteria line put Is Null on an or line.*  
>  
> *The SQL would be something like;*  
> *SELECT Table1.\**  
> *FROM Table1*  
> *WHERE (((Table1.FieldToSearch) Like "\*" & [Forms]!*  
> *[searchform]![seachfield] & "\*") OR ((([Forms]!*  
> *[searchform]![seachfield]) Is Null));*  
>  
> *To do multiple keywords search is more complicated. When*  
> *you say they want to search for >1 keyword do you mean*  
> *they want to return any record that has at least one of*  
> *the keywords they enter? OR do you mean return any record*  
> *that has ALL of the keywords they enter?*  
>  
> *– Anne*  
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> >-----Original Message-----  
> >I am trying to build a query which will allow me to  
> search multiple fields  
> >via a form. The majority of it works OK, but when I try  
> to search on the  
> >'Keywords' field; I only see those records who are not  
> null. Not all records  
> >will have an entry in this field. If I don't enter any  
> criteria, I don't get  
> >any records!  
> >  
> >How can I build the query to say "If the Forms!SearchFrm!  
> SearchBox is Null,  
> >display all records, else display records that match  
> SearchBox".  
> >  
> >Currently the query states LIKE"\*" & forms!  
> searchFrm!SearchBox & "\*"  
> >  
> >Also, they want to be able to search for a few keywords  
> at one time. Can it  
> >be done?  
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> >Many thanks  
> >S.  
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