

Re: SQL "IN" operator

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You cannot stick Null into the In clause. The In operator is just a convenient short cut for writing a long series of OR clauses and as such using NULL would effectively give you
Where [SomeField] = Null
AND nothing is ever equal to Null, not even Null.

So your criteria should be:

Where (FK In (1,2,5,7) or FK is Null)

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"JimS" <JimS@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
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I want to present a list of possible FKs in my where clause. That's simple enough:

...WHERE FK IN (1,2,5,7)...

How do I include "NULL" values of the list? FK is a foreign key, and may be null if there is no matching row in the foreign table...

I want the "null" selection, if possible, to stay within the "IN" clause for programming convenience. If my only solution is to include an "ISNULL(FK) AND FK IN (1,2...)" I will, but I'd prefer it in the list.

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Jim

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