

Re: Multiple search Criteria

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Well, you can't do it that way. IF the field you are searching against always has a value (no nulls allowed) and the field is a text field then you can use criteria like the following.

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LIKE NZ([Forms]![frmRunSites]![FindId], "")
```

Alternative is to use

```
= [Forms]![frmRunSites]![FindId] or [Forms]![frmRunSites]![FindId] is Null
```

The problem with the alternative above is that if you use the construct many times the query will quickly grow too complex and will not run.

If the field is a date value and always has a value (no nulls) and you know the maximum range of the dates you can use something like the following.

```
Between NZ([Forms]![frmRunSites]![SomeDate], #1800-01-01#) and  
NZ([Forms]![frmRunSites]![SomeDate], #3000-01-01#)
```

The best way to handle this type of situation is to use VBA to build the criteria. Allen Browne has an example on his site – unfortunately I can't find the URL right now.

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Gary S wrote:

```
If(IsNull([Forms]![frmRunSites]![FindId])=True, "like '*' or is  
null", [Forms]![frmRunSites]![FindId])
```

I am using this in the selection criteria of the query.