

Re: Validation Filtering

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I think that this is just the way excel works.

If that dynamic range doesn't change very often (maybe just by the developer), maybe you could use the workbook_Open event to assign the name.

If it changes by user changes, maybe you could use a worksheet_change event.

John wrote:

I am having difficulty combining dynamic ranges together with the indirect function in data validation. I have a number of dynamic ranges that are created using the offset formula. I then have a worksheet with data validation. The data validation limits the choices a user can select from by converting a previous election into a range. e.g I have a dynamic range called "Collectables", the user first selects "Collectables" from a drop down list in cell A4, they then move onto another dropdown list in cell B4, the data validation is set to =INDIRECT(A4). This should allow the users to select an item that is within the "Collectables" range. However it DOESN'T.

If I make the range non dynamic i.e. Make it a fixed range it works fine.

If I leave the dynamic range and change the data validation to =Collectables it works fine.

It just won't work with both Dynamic ranges and the INDIRECT function.

Is this a bug with Excel or is there a reason for it not working? Is there a way around it?

Dave Peterson

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