

## Re: Identify when a user attempts to turn on "Allow cell drag and drop"

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> *Well, in part it's a training issue. But it's also a design issue.*  
> *Since I can't think of any way to make it foolproof (fools getting*  
> *more clever all the time), perhaps one way would be to protect the*  
> *worksheet (allowing filtering perhaps), and putting a button on the*  
> *sheet that removes that protection, disables drag and drop, and*  
> *throws up a message box saying something like "Drag and Drop has*  
> *been*  
> *disabled. in the interest of data integrity, please don't change the*  
> *Drag and Drop preferences while editing this workbook". I'd use the*  
> *Workbook\_SheetSelectionChange event to disable d&d every selection*  
> *change as well.*

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> *That way, someone would have to deliberately violate your*  
restriction  
> *in order to use d&d.*

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I like that approach, and as you rightly point out, it makes  
transgressions deliberate rather than accidental or just lazy.

I think I may also have to bite the bullet and use OnTime to reset the  
settings every 5 seconds.

Thanks,

Alan.