

## Re: replace special character for filename save

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I get a 1004 error message whenever I run it and the vendor name has either an & or an / or an \*in the name. I thought those were big No No's for filenames? This is intel/windows xp/vista workstations on a MS server 2000/2003. I can get names with the "-" to save. There may be others that make it bomb so I just want to blanket kill the special characters and maybe replace them with either a space or underscore. Any other ideas??? I would agree with you if it only bombed on one particular vendor name, but I have found more. And it does work correctly for "normal" vendor names.

Appreciate the help

"Dave Peterson" wrote:

Maybe it's not the "&" that's causing the problem.

I can save a file using a name with an ampersand in it.

(If you're using a Mac, maybe it's different?)

anduare2 wrote:

Some of my venname data contains an "&" in them. When one is selected from a dropdown list, it populates cell B2. When the macro runs to save the file I need to replace the & with the text "and" so my file save routine will not bomb. But if there is no & in the name I need it to continue on to the save. It seems like a simple if:then:if:endif would fix it, but I just can't get a handle on the dim/set value items to get it to replace / what / replacement code to work for just one instance. Maybe I am looking at it all backwards again? Here is a list of the macro/code I have pieced together

'Procedure to save the Sales Workbook to the Sharepoint Library

Sub SaveWork()

Dim venname As String

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Dim vennumber As String  
Dim venyear As String  
Dim venperiod As String
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venname = Worksheets("Sales").Range("B2")  
vennumber = Worksheets("Sales").Range("B3")  
venyear = Worksheets("Data").Range("J15")  
venperiod = Worksheets("Data").Range("J16")
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ActiveWorkbook.SaveAs  
Filename:="HTTP://teams.kedc.org/mst/Sales_Reports/ & venname & " " &  
vennumber & " " & venyear & " " & venperiod & ".xls"  
MsgBox "File was saved as " & ActiveWorkbook.Name  
End Sub
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If possible please include as much detail in example. I am slightly macro  
literate but vb ignorant.

Much Appreciated

Martin

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Dave Peterson