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Something else that you could try, that can be completed in one procedure, is to use TextToColumns.

Addresses in column A,

Select the address column, and then:

<Data> <TextToColumns>

Delimited should be checked, then <Next>

Click in "Space", then <Next>.

You now see how the column will be separated, and you'll see that they're all formatted as General, so that your numbers will sort "properly".

Now, to retain your original address column without changing, and still obtain this separation, you must change the "Destination" cell to *other* then your original column, say B1, making sure that there are enough empty columns adjoining, in order to accommodate the number of columns that your addresses have been broken up into.

Then click <Finish>, and you have your original address column, together with the 2 or 3 or 4 separated columns, which you can use as sort keys to obtain any order that you desire.

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HTH,

RD

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"RagDyer" <ragdyer@cutoutmsn.com> wrote in message

news:%23LVCHfnSEHA.3728@TK2MSFTNGP11.phx.gbl...

If the house number is in this form:

123 Any Street

Then the formula should work!

Is this the configuration that you're using?

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Regards,

RD

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"Jono" <nosmap@nosspam> wrote in message

news:ecptxVnSEHA.3332@tk2msftngp13.phx.gbl...

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Thanks RagDyer,
Unfortunately, the suggestion appears to return a value of 1, rather than the actual house number.

What may I be doing wrong? I suspect I don't know quite enough!

RagDyer wrote:

Just use another column to extract the text numbers, and convert them to true numbers for "proper" sorting.

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==--LEFT(A1,FIND(" ",A1))
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HTH,

RD

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"Jono" <nosmap@nospam> wrote in message
news:uRpdG3mSEHA.3012@tk2msftngpl3.phx.gbl...

Thanks Chip, that worked beautifully.

I have another question for you, about the same spreadsheet.

How do I now make Excel sort the column with the house numbers & street names NUMERICALLY?

I'm sorting by the column you helped me create first & then by the original column, however, the results are ordered 1, 10, 11, 12, 15, 17, 18, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9

Chip Pearson wrote:

Jono,

You can use a formula in another column like

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=MID(A1,FIND(" ",A1)+1,LEN(A1))
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and then sort by this column.

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Cordially,

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"Jono" <nosmap@nospam> wrote in message
news:OKUUNZmSEHA.3636@TK2MSFTNGP09.phx.gbl...

Hi all,

I have a spreadsheet with customer names & addresses.

Unfortunately, whoever created it included the house numbers in the same cell/column as the street names.

As I would like to sort the list in street name (alphabetical)

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||||| order I need a way of automating the task of removing the house
||||| numbers from the beginning of the addresses & inserting them into
||||| a
||||| new column.
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||||| Any help would be appreciated.
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||||| Thanks.
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||||| Jono.