

## Re: How to test an adjacent cell for blank in conditional formatting

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Just use the adjacent cell's address in the formula:

If A1 is the activecell:

formula is:

=B1<>"

or

=B1=""

depending on what you want.

Or add it to an existing rule:

=and(B1<>"",yourformulahere)

davegb wrote:

On Mar 28, 6:08 am, Dave Peterson <peter...@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

In code?

```
dim myCell as range
set mycell = activesheet.range("b99")
if isempty(mycell.offset(0,1).value) then
msgbox "the cell to the right is empty--no formula, no nothing!"
end if
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If you want to check to see if it contains a formula that evaluates to "" or is empty:

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if mycell.offset(0,1).value = "" then
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davegb wrote:

I want to test to see if an adjacent cell is blank or not to change

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the formatting of the cell in question. I would guess it might involve the Offset property. Does anyone know how to do this?

Thanks!

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Dave Peterson

Thanks for your reply, Dave. I know how to do it in code, I want to know how to do it in conditional formatting.

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Dave Peterson

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