

Re: date comparioson in a Case statement

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Both "NA" and e_dt have to be the same datatype.

Try this:

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> when ex.e_dt < a1.d_dt then "NA"  
> else CONVERT(VARCHAR(10), e_dt, 111)  
> end,
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"ajmister" <ajmister@optonline.net> wrote in message
news:eTvHLk0GEHA.4012@TK2MSFTNGP09.phx.gbl...

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> Hi  
>  
> I have a case statement where I am comparing two dates  
>  
> rpt_dt=  
> case  
> when ex.e_dt < a1.d_dt then "NA"  
> else e_dt  
> end,  
>  
> give me an error  
> Syntax error during implicit conversion of VARCHAR value 'NA' to a  
DATETIME  
> field.  
>  
> rpt_dt=  
> case  
> when ex.e_dt < a1.d_dt then ""  
> else e_dt  
> end,  
>  
> runs successfully but I get Jan 1, 1900 values in he fields where ex.e_dt  
<  
> a1.d_dt .  
>  
> Not sure why it is extracting incorrect values.  
> Ajay  
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>
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