

## Re: Help Needed – ISNULL when the field is already null..

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Seems about right. I wonder why I didn't think of that one before...

I sure won't go into dynamic sql, no way!

Merci !

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> *Based on your needs, you must use one of the two following statements:*

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> *Where (Field = @Field)*

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> *Where @Field is Null OR (Field = @Field)*

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> *Where (@Field is Null and Field is Null) OR (Field = @Field)*

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> *Where (@Field is Null and Field is Not Null) OR (Field = @Field)*

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> *There is also an option in SQL-Server that will make the equality (Null =*

> *Null) return True instead of False but I don't suggest using it; otherwise*

> *you will have a continuous moving target.*

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> *S. L.*

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> *"Nicolas LeBlanc" <[nicolas\\_leblanc@nospamhotmail.com](mailto:nicolas_leblanc@nospamhotmail.com)> wrote in message*

> *news:%23VrpzvdFFHA.3312@TK2MSFTNGP15.phx.gbl...*

> *Hello,*

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>> *I just noticed today, after a long time, that if you do a*

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>> *SELECT \* FROM Table WHERE Field = Field*

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>> *And that Field is null, it will return NOTHING at all...*

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>> *Problem is, in my search stored procedures, I always use:*

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> > *SELECT ... FROM Table WHERE Field = ISNULL(@Field, Field)*

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> > *So if the value is null, it simply avoid the check.*

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> > *But now I'm screwed, for the first time I have to do this on fields that*

> > *CAN*

> > *be null... and well, it returns NOTHING.*

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> > *of course, WHERE Field IS NULL works like a charm, but I need this to be*

> > *working so if it's null, it skips the filter, if not, it does it.*

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> > *Any help would be appreciated.*

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