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Subject: Re: FLASH - Colors Update  
Posted by [davidf](#) on Mon, 20 Sep 1999 07:00:00 GMT  
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Liam Gumley (Liam.Gumley@ssec.wisc.edu) writes:

> So while DirectColor mode does allow immediate graphics update when the  
> color table is changed, it also exhibits a very annoying color-flashing  
> behavior (at least on my system).

Liam, I have some more data coming in now (much of it contradictory, as has always been my experience with DirectColor visual classes), but here is one more thing to try. Can you force IDL to get a private color map. Something like this, I think:

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IDL> Device, Direct=24  
IDL> Window, Colors=256  
IDL> Device, Bypass=0
```

I'm told the BYPASS keyword may not be required in IDL 5.2, so you might try with and without.

DirectColor has always been extremely problematic in my experience, but I guess it *can* work if we figure out how to get it set up correctly.

Cheers,

David

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