
Subject: Re: SPAWN command blocked in 5.3.1
Posted by [wmconnolley](#) on Mon, 13 Jan 2003 09:27:11 GMT
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Andrew & Jo Cool <cooladjc@chariot.net.au> wrote:

>> trying to start a program from IDL, I got a message box telling me
>> "SPAWN blocked by IDL"

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>> I assume this is a security thing?! But is there a way to allow it?

> 1. Is your IDL session in Demo mode? If so, then Spawning
> commands is probably a no-no.

> 2. Under VMS at least, if you fill up your disk
> quota, Spawn jobs may fail, as they open a temporary file.

Another possibility is, under unix, to have reached your process number limit,
in which case odd things can happen.

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