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Subject: Re: SPAWN command blocked in 5.3.1

Posted by [A. D. & J.C. Cool](#) on Sun, 12 Jan 2003 23:25:00 GMT

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Harro Uwe Hieninger wrote:

>  
> Hi there,  
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> trying to start a programm 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?  
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> Thanks,  
> Harro

Hi Harro,

Two possibilities come to mind.

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.

You don't say what OS you're using, or exactly what you're trying to Spawn, so I'm fishing in the dark for answers... ;-)

Gruess,

Andrew

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(on holiday, but still reading this group - is that sick or what?)

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