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Subject: Re: IDL graphics w/ no display  
Posted by [Jeff Guerber](#) on Tue, 26 Oct 2004 22:57:02 GMT  
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On Tue, 26 Oct 2004, David Fanning wrote:

> Jeff Guerber writes:  
>  
>> Errr, I'm not sure if anyone's mentioned this yet (our news server  
>> seems to miss a lot of messages), but aren't pixmaps entirely creatures of  
>> the X server?  
>  
> No, they are a standard part of IDL. I use them each  
> and every day. Couldn't live without them. :-)

Standard part of IDL, yes, but aren't they allocated from the windows server memory, and thus aren't available without one? I only find them mentioned in the X device section of the manuals. Trying to create one just now with my X-server shut down gives "X connection to ... broken (explicit kill or server shutdown)". (IDL 6.0.3 (hp-ux hp\_pa m64), displaying on a PC running X-Win32 (which I shut down for this experiment.)

(Maybe the WIN device provides them too, and has them always present? I haven't tried it with other devices.)

>> P.S. David, did you get the email I sent you a few weeks ago about  
>> fsc\_field and fsc\_color?  
>  
> I've had an overzealous spam filter lately, and I find  
> quite a few messages I *\*should\** have gotten in there. I  
> don't believe I have seen this one, actually, sorry. :-(  
>  
> Could you send it again, and I'll keep my eye out for it.

Done. Subject is "str\_sep in fsc\_field, fsc\_color (fwd)", sent to david@dfanning.com. Thanks,

Jeff Guerber

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