
Subject: Re: FILE_DELETE and FILE_CHMOD

Posted by [Michael Wallace](#) on Wed, 15 Dec 2004 16:03:16 GMT

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Miguel Angel Cordoba wrote:

> Hi,
> I need to delete a directory in Windows and I use the IDL
> routine FILE_DELETE. The problem is at the file access
> permissions. I want to change the access permissions for all
> files and subdirectories off the directory using the FILE_CHMOD
> routine but this routine don't works in recursive mode.
> Any ideas?.
>
> Thanks.
>

Do a File_Search to get a list of all filenames within the directory and then send that list to File_Chmod. I haven't tried it out, but I think that should work.

```
files = File_Search("some_directory", "**")  
File_Chmod, files, ...
```

-Mike
