
Subject: Re: IDL Anon Structs
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Before you start messing up your User's manual, look at this:

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IDL. Version 3.5.1 (sunos sparc).  
IDL> w = {a: 0, b: 1}  
IDL> x = {w: w, c: 2}  
% Structures can't have anonymous structure members  
% Execution halted at $MAIN$ .
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In article <3pe065\$71@gap.cco.caltech.edu>, wart@chop.ugcs.caltech.edu (Wart) writes:

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> Interesting note about anonymous structures:  
>  
> p. 7-1 of the IDL User's Manual states: "Anonymous Structures cannot  
> contain other anonymous structures."  
>  
> However... try this:  
>  
> IDL> w = {a: 0, b: 1}  
> IDL> x = {w: w, c: 2}  
> IDL> help, w  
> W          STRUCT  = -> <Anonymous> Array(1)  
> IDL> help, x  
> X          STRUCT  = -> <Anonymous> Array(1)  
> IDL> help, x.w  
> <Expression> STRUCT  = -> <Anonymous> Array(1)  
>  
> As one of my grade school teachers used to tell us whenever there was an  
> error in a text: "Take out your pencils and cross out that sentence in  
> your textbook."  
>  
> --Wart
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