
Subject: FindFile broken in 4.0.1b under WFW3.11
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I've been using IDL 4.0.1b under WFW3.11 for nearly a year now without (serious) problems. However, since Friday afternoon the built-in FindFile() function has stopped working. Given a valid, correctly-formatted argument, it simply fails to return any matching files. E.g.,

```
IDL> result=FindFile('c:\dos*.exe')
IDL> help,result
RESULT      STRING  = "
```

when there are 45 files matching 'c:\dos*.exe'.

Has anyone else ever experienced this problem? If so, how did you fix it? I've already re-installed IDL, with no change in the situation. I'm thinking about re-installing DOS and/or Windows, since I'm thinking that FindFile probably uses hooks in the OS. Any advice?

Replies by e-mail, please. I'll post anything of general interest.

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