

## Re: Return value of malloc(0)

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On Thu, Jun 29, 2006 at 06:09:37PM +0200, Matthias Andree wrote:

The value returned from malloc(0) must not be dereferenced whatever it was. It was 0x800, which doesn't count as "failure".

But this would be appropriate for catching the error:

```
if ((foo = malloc(0)) == foo)
/* make noise */
```

wouldn't it?

Hannes

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If the telephone rang today, water it!

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