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On 2007-02-08 00:38, Peter <pmatulis@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

Le Mercredi 7 F?vrier 2007 16:03, Giorgos Keramidas a ?crit :

Yes, I tried

```
fr.iso.acc.kbd
fr.iso.kbd
fr_CA.iso.acc.kbd
```

Maybe I need to inform FreeBSD about the layout of my keyboard.
All I get are beeps when I hit the special French accent keys.

This usually means that you are typing 8-bit (i.e. French) characters at a shell prompt, but you have not set or configured any locale environment yet, or you have the wrong locale environment.

If this is true, and you are hearing the beeps when typing at a shell prompt, then please tell us which shell you are using and what you see by typing:

```
% locale
```

This is what I get:

```
LANG=
LC_CTYPE="C"
LC_COLLATE="C"
LC_TIME="C"
LC_NUMERIC="C"
LC_MONETARY="C"
LC_MESSAGES="C"
LC_ALL=
```

Right. You haven't set any LANG or LC_xxx environment variables.

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Try using one of the French locales, and set the following in your shell startup scripts:

```
LANG='C'  
LC_COLLATE='fr_CA.ISO8859-1'  
LC_CTYPE='fr_CA.ISO8859-1'
```

If you are using GNU bash, you can set in your ``.bashrc`` file:

```
export LANG='C'  
export LC_COLLATE='fr_CA.ISO8859-1'  
export LC_CTYPE='fr_CA.ISO8859-1'
```

If you are using tcsh, the commands for ``.cshrc`` are slightly different:

```
setenv LANG 'C'  
setenv LC_COLLATE 'fr_CA.ISO8859-1'  
setenv LC_CTYPE 'fr_CA.ISO8859-1'
```

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