

Limiting Records – Wildcards in Where clauses (Like)



The wildcard check in where clauses uses the 'like' operator and the symbol '%', it can only be used with varchar2 values ...

In this first example the User is looking for all names beginning with a 'T' (its immaterial how many characters come after it) ...

where c65_surname like 'T%'

Looking for values which end with an 'N' ...

where c65_surname like 'N%'

Limiting Records – Wildcards in Where clauses (Like)



Looking for values which contain 'LONDON' ...

where c65_address like '%LONDON%'

Looking for values which begin with a 'H' and end with a 'Y' ...

where c65_address like 'H%Y'

The opposite of like is '*not like*' ...

where c65_surname not like 'EV%'

Limiting Records – Wildcards in Where clauses (Like)



If only a single character is needed as a wildcard then the User can use an underscore '_' ...

where c65_member_name like 'JO_N'