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Thread: [How to delete only one row from duplicate rows in Oracle SQL?](#)

[Rn] 7s^2 - September 23, 2014, 12:51 pm

I have the following table:

Name	Address
VCR	Mumbai
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Now there are 2 rows and they are duplicate.

How can I delete the second row or first row so that only one row is present?

I tried:

```
Delete from stud where name = 'VCR' limit 1;
```

But it is giving me error. Please help.

How bout using your brain - September 23, 2014, 1:11 pm

Don't you have a primary key defined?

stugz - September 23, 2014, 7:55 pm

PHP Code

```
<?php
delete from yourtable
where rowid not in
(select min(rowid)
from yourtable
group by name, address);
```

[Rn] 7s^2 - September 24, 2014, 4:21 am

@SirRootALot No bro. Otherwise it would have been super simple.

@stugz Thanks. I'll check it out and edit the post.

EDIT: What is rowid in your code?

stugz - September 24, 2014, 7:00 am

rowid is a pseudo-column which can be used to find the physical address of a row.

martin_w35 - May 1, 2015, 1:04 pm

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then delete original and rename copy back to original name.

Ropeney - May 3, 2015, 12:17 am

(May 1, 2015 01:04 PM)martin_w35 Wrote: [CITE](#) why not just create a new table using a select statement on the original but with a distinct action.

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Because production, bad downtime, bad habbit.