

## Re: Forms Authentication and Differences Between Windows Explorer and IE

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I have done further testing on this. I believe the problem is because session cookies are stored in memory. If you launch an IE instance then the cookies are stored in that iexplore.exe process, so are lost when it finishes. However if you browse the internet via explorer then the cookies are stored in the explorer.exe process, which obviously doesn't end so the session cookies don't die and the session/authentication carries on when you load up the site again.

I have tested this on Win 2000 with IE 5.5 and IE 6, and on Win XP running IE 6. The problem only seems to occur with IE 6.

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