

## SMART CONTRACT AUDIT REPORT

for

Convex Staking Wrapper Ohm Sync

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# 1 Introduction

Given the opportunity to review the design document and related smart contract source code of the ConvexStakingWrapperOhmSync contract, we outline in the report our systematic approach to evaluate potential security issues in the smart contract implementation, expose possible semantic inconsistencies between smart contract code and design document, and provide additional suggestions or recommendations for improvement. Our results show that the given version of smart contracts can be further improved due to the presence of several issues related to either security or performance. This document outlines our audit results.

#### 1.1 About ConvexStakingWrapperOhmSync Contract

The ConvexStakingWrapperOhmSync contract is a tokenized wrapper for staking on Convex for a given pool. It allows an outside mechanism to donate LP tokens to all staked users by using a sync() function that can increase the amount of assets (LP tokens) each share can claim. The basic information of the audited smart contract is as follows:

Item	Description
Target	ConvexStakingWrapperOhmSync Contract
Website	https://www.convexfinance.com/
Туре	Smart Contract
Language	Solidity
Audit Method	Whitebox
Latest Audit Report	September 15, 2022

Table 1.1: Basic Information of ConvexStakingWrapperOhmSync Contract

In the following, we show the Git repository of reviewed file and the commit hash value used in this audit. Note the audit scope only covers the contracts/contracts/wrappers/ConvexStakingWrapperOhmSync.sol contract of the main branch.

https://github.com/convex-eth/platform.git (9adc57e)

And this is the commit ID after all fixes for the issues found in the audit have been checked in:

• https://github.com/convex-eth/platform.git (9933dfd)

#### 1.2 About PeckShield

PeckShield Inc. [9] is a leading blockchain security company with the goal of elevating the security, privacy, and usability of current blockchain ecosystems by offering top-notch, industry-leading services and products (including the service of smart contract auditing). We are reachable at Telegram (https://t.me/peckshield), Twitter (http://twitter.com/peckshield), or Email (contact@peckshield.com).

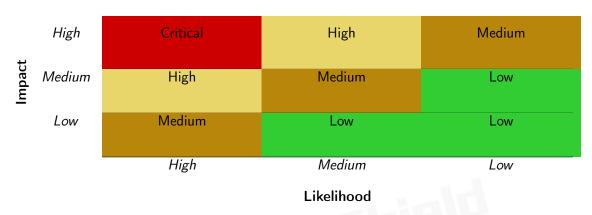


Table 1.2: Vulnerability Severity Classification

## 1.3 Methodology

To standardize the evaluation, we define the following terminology based on OWASP Risk Rating Methodology [8]:

- <u>Likelihood</u> represents how likely a particular vulnerability is to be uncovered and exploited in the wild;
- Impact measures the technical loss and business damage of a successful attack;
- Severity demonstrates the overall criticality of the risk.

Likelihood and impact are categorized into three ratings: *H*, *M* and *L*, i.e., *high*, *medium* and *low* respectively. Severity is determined by likelihood and impact and can be classified into four categories accordingly, i.e., *Critical*, *High*, *Medium*, *Low* shown in Table 1.2.

To evaluate the risk, we go through a list of check items and each would be labeled with a severity category. For one check item, if our tool or analysis does not identify any issue, the

Table 1.3: The Full List of Check Items

Category	Check Item		
	Constructor Mismatch		
	Ownership Takeover		
	Redundant Fallback Function		
	Overflows & Underflows		
	Reentrancy		
	Money-Giving Bug		
	Blackhole		
	Unauthorized Self-Destruct		
Basic Coding Bugs	Revert DoS		
Dasic Coung Dugs	Unchecked External Call		
	Gasless Send		
	Send Instead Of Transfer		
	Costly Loop		
	(Unsafe) Use Of Untrusted Libraries		
	(Unsafe) Use Of Predictable Variables		
	Transaction Ordering Dependence		
	Deprecated Uses		
Semantic Consistency Checks			
	Business Logics Review		
	Functionality Checks		
	Authentication Management		
	Access Control & Authorization		
	Oracle Security		
Advanced DeFi Scrutiny	Digital Asset Escrow		
Advanced Berr Scrating	Kill-Switch Mechanism		
	Operation Trails & Event Generation		
	ERC20 Idiosyncrasies Handling		
	Frontend-Contract Integration		
	Deployment Consistency		
	Holistic Risk Management		
	Avoiding Use of Variadic Byte Array		
	Using Fixed Compiler Version		
Additional Recommendations	Making Visibility Level Explicit		
	Making Type Inference Explicit		
	Adhering To Function Declaration Strictly		
	Following Other Best Practices		

contract is considered safe regarding the check item. For any discovered issue, we might further deploy contracts on our private testnet and run tests to confirm the findings. If necessary, we would additionally build a PoC to demonstrate the possibility of exploitation. The concrete list of check items is shown in Table 1.3.

In particular, we perform the audit according to the following procedure:

- Basic Coding Bugs: We first statically analyze given smart contracts with our proprietary static code analyzer for known coding bugs, and then manually verify (reject or confirm) all the issues found by our tool.
- <u>Semantic Consistency Checks</u>: We then manually check the logic of implemented smart contracts and compare with the description in the white paper.
- Advanced DeFi Scrutiny: We further review business logics, examine system operations, and place DeFi-related aspects under scrutiny to uncover possible pitfalls and/or bugs.
- Additional Recommendations: We also provide additional suggestions regarding the coding and development of smart contracts from the perspective of proven programming practices.

To better describe each issue we identified, we categorize the findings with Common Weakness Enumeration (CWE-699) [7], which is a community-developed list of software weakness types to better delineate and organize weaknesses around concepts frequently encountered in software development. Though some categories used in CWE-699 may not be relevant in smart contracts, we use the CWE categories in Table 1.4 to classify our findings.

#### 1.4 Disclaimer

Note that this security audit is not designed to replace functional tests required before any software release, and does not give any warranties on finding all possible security issues of the given smart contract(s) or blockchain software, i.e., the evaluation result does not guarantee the nonexistence of any further findings of security issues. As one audit-based assessment cannot be considered comprehensive, we always recommend proceeding with several independent audits and a public bug bounty program to ensure the security of smart contract(s). Last but not least, this security audit should not be used as investment advice.

Table 1.4: Common Weakness Enumeration (CWE) Classifications Used in This Audit

Category	Summary		
Configuration	Weaknesses in this category are typically introduced during		
	the configuration of the software.		
Data Processing Issues	Weaknesses in this category are typically found in functional-		
	ity that processes data.		
Numeric Errors	Weaknesses in this category are related to improper calcula-		
	tion or conversion of numbers.		
Security Features	Weaknesses in this category are concerned with topics like		
	authentication, access control, confidentiality, cryptography,		
	and privilege management. (Software security is not security		
	software.)		
Time and State	Weaknesses in this category are related to the improper man-		
	agement of time and state in an environment that supports		
	simultaneous or near-simultaneous computation by multiple		
Forman Canadiai ana	systems, processes, or threads.		
Error Conditions,	Weaknesses in this category include weaknesses that occur if		
Return Values, Status Codes	a function does not generate the correct return/status code, or if the application does not handle all possible return/status		
Status Codes	codes that could be generated by a function.		
Resource Management	Weaknesses in this category are related to improper manage-		
Resource Management	ment of system resources.		
Behavioral Issues	Weaknesses in this category are related to unexpected behav-		
Deliavioral issues	iors from code that an application uses.		
Business Logics	Weaknesses in this category identify some of the underlying		
Dusiness Togics	problems that commonly allow attackers to manipulate the		
	business logic of an application. Errors in business logic can		
	be devastating to an entire application.		
Initialization and Cleanup	Weaknesses in this category occur in behaviors that are used		
	for initialization and breakdown.		
Arguments and Parameters	Weaknesses in this category are related to improper use of		
	arguments or parameters within function calls.		
Expression Issues	Weaknesses in this category are related to incorrectly written		
	expressions within code.		
Coding Practices	Weaknesses in this category are related to coding practices		
	that are deemed unsafe and increase the chances that an ex-		
	ploitable vulnerability will be present in the application. They		
	may not directly introduce a vulnerability, but indicate the		
	product has not been carefully developed or maintained.		

# 2 | Findings

#### 2.1 Summary

Here is a summary of our findings after analyzing the <code>ConvexStakingWrapperOhmSync</code> implementation. During the first phase of our audit, we study the smart contract source code and run our in-house static code analyzer through the codebase. The purpose here is to statically identify known coding bugs, and then manually verify (reject or confirm) issues reported by our tool. We further manually review business logic, examine system operations, and place <code>DeFi-related</code> aspects under scrutiny to uncover possible pitfalls and/or bugs.

Severity	# of Findings		
Critical	0		
High	0		
Medium	1		
Low	2		
Informational	0		
Total	3		

We have so far identified a list of potential issues: some of them involve subtle corner cases that might not be previously thought of, while others refer to unusual interactions among multiple contracts. For each uncovered issue, we have therefore developed test cases for reasoning, reproduction, and/or verification. After further analysis and internal discussion, we determined a few issues of varying severities that need to be brought up and paid more attention to, which are categorized in the above table. More information can be found in the next subsection, and the detailed discussions of each of them are in Section 3.

#### 2.2 Key Findings

Overall, the smart contract is well-designed and engineered, though the implementation can be improved by resolving the identified issues (shown in Table 2.1), including 1 medium-severity vulnerability and 2 low-severity vulnerabilities.

Table 2.1: Key ConvexStakingWrapperOhmSync Contract Audit Findings

ID	Severity	Title	Category	Status
PVE-001	Medium	Sybil Attacks to Drain Vault Rewards	Business Logic	Fixed
PVE-002	Low	Non ERC4626-Compliance of ConvexS-	Coding Practices	Fixed
		takingWrapperOhmSync		
PVE-003	Low	Trust Issue of Admin Keys	Security Features	Mitigated

Beside the identified issues, we emphasize that for any user-facing applications and services, it is always important to develop necessary risk-control mechanisms and make contingency plans, which may need to be exercised before the mainnet deployment. The risk-control mechanisms should kick in at the very moment when the contracts are being deployed on mainnet. Please refer to Section 3 for details.

# 3 Detailed Results

#### 3.1 Sybil Attacks to Drain Vault Rewards

• ID: PVE-001

Severity: MediumLikelihood: Low

• Impact: High

Target: ConvexStakingWrapperOhmSync

• Category: Business Logic [6]

• CWE subcategory: CWE-841 [3]

#### Description

The ConvexStakingWrapperOhmSync contract provides an interface, i.e., shutdown(), that allows the privileged owner to shut down the contract. Once the contract is shut down, user deposit is prohibited and normal checkpointing is not allowed. The purpose here is to ensure users can always have the ability to withdraw their deposits.

To elaborate, we show below the code snippets from the <code>ConvexStakingWrapperOhmSync</code> contract. When the contract is shut down, normal checkpointing is directly returned in the <code>\_checkpoint()</code> routine (line 400). Hence users rewards are not settled before the token transfers. However, users can update the checkpoints and claim their rewards via the <code>\_checkpointAndClaim()</code> routine, even after the contract is shut down. As a result, the current logic is vulnerable to so-called <code>Sybil</code> attacks to drain all rewards in the wrapper.

Let's assume at the very beginning there is a malicious actor named Malice, who owns 100 share tokens. Malice has an accomplice named Trudy who currently has 0 balance of the wrapper share. This Sybil attack can be launched as follows:

```
function shutdown() external onlyOwner {
   isShutdown = true;
}
```

Listing 3.1: shutdown()

```
function _checkpoint(address[2] memory _accounts) internal nonReentrant{

//if shutdown, no longer checkpoint in case there are problems
```

```
400
             if(isShutdown) return;
401
402
             uint256 supply = _getTotalSupply();
403
             uint256[2] memory depositedBalance;
404
             depositedBalance[0] = _getDepositedBalance(_accounts[0]);
405
             depositedBalance[1] = _getDepositedBalance(_accounts[1]);
406
407
             IRewardStaking(convexPool).getReward(address(this), true);
408
409
             uint256 rewardCount = rewards.length;
410
             for (uint256 i = 0; i < rewardCount; i++) {</pre>
411
                _calcRewardIntegral(i,_accounts,depositedBalance,supply,false);
412
             }
413
        }
414
415
         function _checkpointAndClaim(address[2] memory _accounts) internal nonReentrant{
416
417
             uint256 supply = _getTotalSupply();
418
             uint256[2] memory depositedBalance;
419
             depositedBalance[0] = _getDepositedBalance(_accounts[0]); //only do first slot
420
421
             IRewardStaking(convexPool).getReward(address(this), true);
422
423
             uint256 rewardCount = rewards.length;
424
             for (uint256 i = 0; i < rewardCount; i++) {</pre>
425
                _calcRewardIntegral(i,_accounts,depositedBalance,supply,true);
426
427
```

Listing 3.2: ConvexStakingWrapperOhmSync.sol

Listing 3.3: \_beforeTokenTransfer()

- 1. Malice initially claims his rewards and then transfers 100 shares to Trudy (or M\_1), who can now claim the rewards one more time!
- 2.  $M_1$  claims the rewards and then transfers 100 shares to  $M_2$ , who can also claim the rewards one more time.
- 3. We can repeat by transferring  $M_i$ 's 100 shares balance to  $M_{i+1}$  who can also claim the rewards. In other words, we can effectively drain all rewards with new accounts created and iterated!

**Recommendation** To mitigate, it is necessary to settle users rewards before token transfers, or forbid rewards claiming after the contract is shutdown. By doing so, we can effectively mitigate the above Sybil attacks.

Status This issue has been fixed by this commit: c9fcf4c.

# 3.2 Non ERC4626-Compliance of ConvexStakingWrapperOhmSync

ID: PVE-002Severity: LowLikelihood: LowImpact: Medium

Target: ConvexStakingWrapperOhmSync
Category: Coding Practices [5]
CWE subcategory: CWE-1126 [1]

#### Description

The ConvexStakingWrapperOhmSync contract is a tokenized wrapper for staking on Convex for a given pool. It is also designed to be compliant with the ERC4626 specification. While reviewing the implementation of the interfaces defined in the IERC4626, we notice current contract is not fully compliant with ERC4626.

Firstly, the EIP-4626 defines a maxDeposit() interface which is specified that "MUST factor in both global and user-specific limits, like if deposits are entirely disabled (even temporarily) it MUST return 0". We notice that if the contract is shutdown, the deposit/mint are disabled. However, the maxDeposit() routine does not return 0 for this case which needs to be corrected. Note same issue exists in the maxMint() routine.

```
function maxDeposit(address _receiver) external override view returns (uint256){
    return uint256(-1);
}

function maxMint(address _receiver) external override view returns (uint256){
    return uint256(-1);
}
```

Listing 3.4: maxDeposit()/maxMint()

Secondly, the EIP-4626 defines a previewDeposit() interface which is specified that "MUST return as close to and no more than the exact amount of Vault shares that would be minted in a deposit call in the same transaction". So the previewDeposit() routine is expected to return the amount of Vault shares to be minted from a deposit of the desired amount of assets. However, current implementation returns the amount of assets from a call to the convertToAssets() (line 177). Our analysis shows that it shall call the convertToShares() routine instead. Similarly, the previewMint() routine is expected to return the amount of assets that need to be deposited to receive the desired amount of shares. The call to the convertToShares() (line 180) shall be corrected to the convertToAssets().

What is more, in EIP-4626, the previewMint() is specified to "MUST return as close to and no fewer than the exact amount of assets that would be deposited in a mint call". So the previewMint () routine shall return a rounding up value from the assets amount calculation. However, current implementation returns a rounding down value. Similarly, the previewWithdraw() routine is expected to return a rounding up value from the shares amount calculation. However, current implementation returns a rounding down value (line 183).

```
function previewDeposit(uint256 _amount) external override view returns (uint256){
    return convertToAssets(_amount);

}

function previewMint(uint256 _shares) external override view returns (uint256){
    return convertToShares(_shares);

}

function previewWithdraw(uint256 _amount) external override view returns (uint256){
    return convertToShares(_amount);

}
```

Listing 3.5: previewDeposit()/previewMint()/previewWithdraw()

Thirdly, the EIP-4626 defines a maxWithdraw() interface which is specified to return the "Maximum amount of the underlying asset that can be withdrawn from the owner balance in the Vault". However, current implementation directly returns uint256(-1) (line 183) which is 2 \*\* 256 - 1. Our analysis shows that the maxWithdraw() implementation can be corrected to convertToAssets(balanceOf(\_owner)). Similarly, the maxRedeem() interface in EIP-4626 is specified to return the "Maximum amount of Vault shares that can be redeemed from the owner balance in the Vault". However, current implementation directly returns uint256(-1) (line 189) which is 2 \*\* 256 - 1. Our analysis shows that it shall return balanceOf(\_owner).

```
function maxWithdraw(address _owner) external override view returns (uint256){
return uint256(-1);
}
```

Listing 3.6: maxWithdraw()

```
function maxRedeem(address _owner) external override view returns (uint256){
return uint256(-1);
190
}
```

Listing 3.7: maxRedeem()

Lastly, the mint() routine is specified to mint exactly \_shares amount of shares to the receiver by depositing assets of the underlying tokens. Current implementation calls the convertToAssets() (line 202) to calculate the required assets amount which is a rounding down value that may introduce slippage in share price. Our study shows that it shall use the previewMint() routine instead. Similarly, the withdraw() routine shall use the previewWithdraw() routine to compute the required shares that need to be burned to receive the desired amount of assets.

```
196
        function mint(uint256 _shares, address _receiver) external override returns (uint256
             require(!isShutdown, "shutdown");
197
198
199
             //dont need to call checkpoint since _mint() will
200
201
            if (_shares > 0) {
202
                 assets = convertToAssets(_shares);
203
                 if(assets > 0){
204
                     _mint(_receiver, _shares);
205
                     IERC20(curveToken).safeTransferFrom(msg.sender, address(this), assets);
206
                     IConvexDeposits(convexBooster).deposit(convexPoolId, assets, true);
207
                     emit Deposit(msg.sender, _receiver, assets, _shares);
208
                }
209
            }
210
```

Listing 3.8: mint()

```
270
        function withdraw(uint256 _amount, address _receiver, address _owner) public
            override returns(uint256 shares){
271
272
            //dont need to call checkpoint since _burn() will
273
274
            if (_amount > 0) {
275
                 shares = convertToShares(_amount);//1Luck: previewWithdraw(_amount);
276
                 _burn(msg.sender, shares);
277
                IRewardStaking(convexPool).withdrawAndUnwrap(_amount, false);
278
                 IERC20(curveToken).safeTransfer(_receiver, _amount);
279
                 emit Withdraw(msg.sender, _receiver, msg.sender, shares, _amount);
280
281
```

Listing 3.9: withdraw()

Recommendation Revise the above mentioned functions to ensure their EIP-4626 compliance.

**Status** This issue has been fixed by this commit: c9fcf4c.

#### 3.3 Trust Issue of Admin Keys

ID: PVE-003

• Severity: Low

• Likelihood: Low

• Impact: Low

### Description

Target: ConvexStakingWrapperOhmSync

• Category: Security Features [4]

• CWE subcategory: CWE-287 [2]

In the ConvexStakingWrapperOhmSync contact, there is a privileged account, i.e., owner, that is privileged to shut down the contract. Once the contract is shut down, the deposit, mint and stake operations are disabled, and users rewards claiming may also be impacted.

```
function shutdown() external onlyOwner {
   isShutdown = true;
}
```

Listing 3.10: shutdown()

```
398
    function _checkpoint(address[2] memory _accounts) internal nonReentrant{
399
        //if shutdown, no longer checkpoint in case there are problems
400
        if(isShutdown) return;
401
402
        uint256 supply = _getTotalSupply();
403
        uint256[2] memory depositedBalance;
404
        depositedBalance[0] = _getDepositedBalance(_accounts[0]);
405
        depositedBalance[1] = _getDepositedBalance(_accounts[1]);
406
407
        IRewardStaking(convexPool).getReward(address(this), true);
408
409
        uint256 rewardCount = rewards.length;
410
        for (uint256 i = 0; i < rewardCount; i++) {</pre>
411
            _calcRewardIntegral(i,_accounts,depositedBalance,supply,false);
412
        }
413 }
```

Listing 3.11: \_checkpoint()

We understand the need of the privileged function for emergency, but at the same time the extra power to the owner may also be a counter-party risk to the protocol users. It is worrisome if the privileged owner account is a plain EOA account. Note that a multi-sig account could greatly alleviate this concern, though it is still far from perfect. Specifically, a better approach is to eliminate the administration key concern by transferring the role to a community-governed DAO.

**Recommendation** Promptly transfer the privileged account to the intended DAO-like governance contract. The change to the privileged operation may need to be mediated with necessary timelocks.

Eventually, activate the normal on-chain community-based governance life-cycle and ensure the intended trustless nature and high-quality distributed governance.

Status This issue has been mitigated as the team confirmed they plan to use multi-sig.



# 4 Conclusion

In this audit, we have analyzed the design and implementation of the <code>ConvexStakingWrapperOhmSync</code> contract, which is a tokenized wrapper for staking on <code>Convex</code> for a given pool. It allows an outside mechanism to donate <code>LP</code> tokens to all staked users by using a <code>sync()</code> function that can increase the amount of assets (<code>LP</code> tokens) each share can claim. The current code base is well structured and neatly organized. Those identified issues are promptly confirmed and addressed.

Meanwhile, we need to emphasize that smart contracts as a whole are still in an early, but exciting stage of development. To improve this report, we greatly appreciate any constructive feedbacks or suggestions, on our methodology, audit findings, or potential gaps in scope/coverage.



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