

INCIDENT REPORT – USE CASE 7

Malware Detection with VirusTotal Integration (Ubuntu Agent)

Incident ID: SOC-MAL-007

Incident Title: Malware Detected on Ubuntu System via VirusTotal Integration

Date & Time: Jan 19, 2026 @ 15:33:46.515

Detection Source: Wazuh SIEM – VirusTotal Integration

Affected Asset

Host: ubuntuserver

Asset Type: Linux Server

Operating System: Ubuntu Linux

Severity: High

Incident Summary

Wazuh SIEM detected a malicious file on an Ubuntu Linux system and validated the threat using VirusTotal threat intelligence. The detected file was identified as malicious by multiple antivirus engines, indicating a high-confidence malware detection. This incident demonstrates the SOC's ability to enrich alerts with external threat intelligence and assess execution-related risk.

Detection Details

Detection Tool: Wazuh SIEM

Detection Type: Host-based Malware Detection

Threat Intelligence Source: VirusTotal

File Name: eicar.com

File Path: /root/eicar.com

VirusTotal Detection Result: 64 antivirus engines detected this file

Wazuh Rule ID: 87105

Rule Level: 12

Detection Module: VirusTotal

Investigation and Analysis

Reviewed the malware alert in the Wazuh dashboard and examined the VirusTotal enrichment data included in the alert. The file hash was automatically submitted to VirusTotal, which returned a positive detection from multiple antivirus engines. Further investigation confirmed that the detected file was the standard EICAR test file created intentionally for malware detection validation in a controlled lab environment. Correlation with other security events, including file integrity monitoring, command execution logs, and network activity, showed no evidence of malware execution, persistence mechanisms, or lateral movement.

Classification

True Positive – Authorized Activity (Malware Detection Test Case Validation)

Root Cause

Intentional creation of a standard EICAR test file on the Ubuntu system to validate Wazuh malware detection and VirusTotal threat intelligence integration.

Impact Assessment

No system compromise occurred.

No malicious code execution was observed.

No persistence, privilege escalation, or network-based malicious activity was detected.

Security controls successfully detected and validated the simulated malware file.

Response Actions

The alert was reviewed and validated by the SOC analyst.

The detected file was documented and removed from the system (simulated).
The affected system was monitored for additional malware-related activity.
No further remediation actions were required due to the controlled test scenario.

Lessons Learned

Integrating SIEM alerts with threat intelligence platforms such as VirusTotal significantly improves detection confidence. Malware detection controls effectively identified a suspicious file and provided execution-related context even before any malware execution occurred.

MITRE ATT&CK Mapping

Tactic: TA0002 – Execution

Technique ID: T1203

Technique Name: Exploitation for Client Execution

Incident Status

Closed – Informational (Malware Detection Test Case Validation)