

Nessus Essentials Vulnerability Scan Report

Tools Used:

- **Scanner:** Nessus Essentials
 - **Environment:** Kali Linux
 - **Target:** Localhost (127.0.0.1)
 - **Scan Policy:** Web Application Tests
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Steps Performed:

1. Installed Nessus Essentials

- Downloaded and installed Nessus Essentials from Tenable's official site.
- Registered with an activation code to unlock scanning capabilities.

2. Configured Scan Target

- Target: localhost (127.0.0.1)
- Policy: *Web Application Tests*

3. Started Full Vulnerability Scan

- Scan initiated at **2:57 PM** and completed by **3:33 PM**.
- Total Scan Time: **36 minutes**

4. Scan Results Summary

- **Total Vulnerabilities Detected:** 32
 - **High Severity:** 4 ($\approx 7.84\%$)
 - **Medium Severity:** 13
 - **Low Severity and Info:** 15+
- **Screenshot Reference:**

5. Identified Vulnerabilities

- Example from scan results:

Severity Vulnerability Name		Plugin Family Plugin ID	
HIGH	phpMyAdmin Installation Detected	CGI Abuses	40352
HIGH	phpMyAdmin prior to 4.x vulnerabilities	CGI Abuses	-

Severity	Vulnerability Name	Plugin Family	Plugin ID
INFO	phpMyAdmin Detection	CGI Abuses	-

- **Screenshot Reference:**

6. Fix/Mitigation Research

- *phpMyAdmin vulnerabilities* may be resolved by:
 - Updating phpMyAdmin to the latest version
 - Restricting access via .htaccess or firewall rules
 - Disabling unused features and enforcing strong authentication

7. Critical Vulnerabilities to Address

- Prioritize fixing **HIGH** severity issues related to phpMyAdmin.
- Consider removing or securing unused web applications.

8. Documentation & Reporting

- This document serves as a summary report.
- Screenshots are attached as evidence of vulnerability findings.

Browser address bar: <https://kali:8834/#/scans/reports/5/hosts>

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Host	Vulnerabilities
localhost	High: 4 (7.84%) 13 33

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Start: Today at 2:57 PM
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HIGH	phpMyAdmin prior to 4....	CGI abuses	1	
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