

# Smart Contract Audit Report for Surf

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# **Management Summary**

Surf contacted Sayfer to perform a security audit on their smart contracts.

This report documents the research carried out by Sayfer targeting the selected resources defined under the research scope. Particularly, this report displays the security posture review for Surf's smart contracts.

Over the research period of 20 research hours, we discovered 2 vulnerabilities in the contract and added 1 informational note. None of them are marked as critical.



# **Risk Methodology**

At Sayfer, we are committed to delivering the highest quality smart contract audits to our clients. That's why we have implemented a comprehensive risk assessment model to evaluate the severity of our findings and provide our clients with the best possible recommendations for mitigation.

Our risk assessment model is based on two key factors: **IMPACT** and **LIKELIHOOD**. Impact refers to the potential harm that could result from an issue, such as financial loss, reputational damage, or a non-operational system. Likelihood refers to the probability that an issue will occur, taking into account factors such as the complexity of the contract and the number of potential attackers.

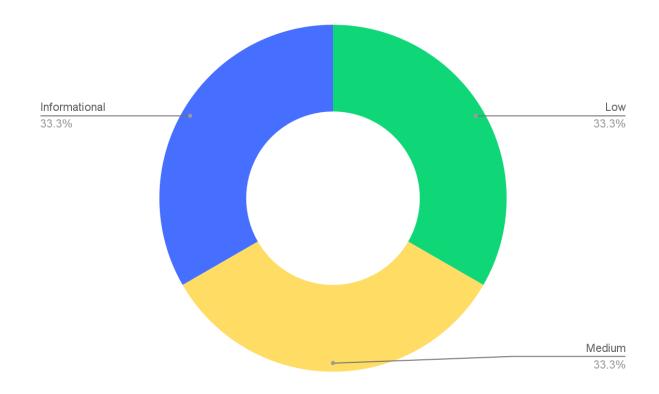
By combining these two factors, we can create a comprehensive understanding of the risk posed by a particular issue and provide our clients with a clear and actionable assessment of the severity of the issue. This approach allows us to prioritize our recommendations and ensure that our clients receive the best possible advice on how to protect their smart contracts.

#### Risk is defined as follows:

	Overall Risk Security				
^	HIGH	Medium	High	Critical	
MPACT >	MEDIUM	Low	Medium	High	
₹	LOW	Informational	Low	Medium	
		LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH	
	LIKELIHOOD >				



# **Vulnerabilities by Risk**



Risk	Low	Medium	High	Critical	Informational
# of issues	1	1	0	0	1



# **Approach**

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#### **Scope Overview**

Together with the client team we defined the following contract as the scope of the project.

Contract	Sha-256
WagerMain.py	4c33bacb79bbafb2881fe3809f0dba302fb7eb2ee930203a7d6c2f1c2a150fa1
TokenMain.py	8a0c03af4d06bbdfb4b42771e5dc398e0ed1837d3f26aae7eb6f4f72a6a07775

Our tests were performed in November 2023.

#### **Scope Validation**

We began by ensuring that the scope defined to us by the client was technically logical. Deciding what scope is right for a given system is part of the initial discussion.

#### **Threat Model**

We defined that the largest current threat to the system is the ability of malicious users to steal funds from the contract.



### **Protocol Overview**

#### **Protocol Introduction**

Trivia Cash is a game brought to you by the Surf team and the Tezos Foundation. Simply deposit your tez to the contract in exchange for in-game gems. Wager those gems against other players and battle it out in a game of knowledge. Increase your gems and cash them out as and when you please. The Surf team aims to bring you an enjoyable way to test your knowledge and use your tez seamlessly. Your funds will remain safe in the contract for ultimate transparency.



# **Security Evaluation**

The following test cases were the guideline while auditing the system. This checklist is a modified version of the SCSVS v1.2, with improved grammar, clarity, conciseness, and additional criteria. Where there is a gap in the numbering, an original criterion was removed. Criteria that are marked with an asterisk were added by us.

Architecture, Design and Threat Modeling	Test Name
G1.2	Every introduced design change is preceded by threat modeling.
G1.3	The documentation clearly and precisely defines all trust boundaries in the contract (trusted relations with other contracts and significant data flows).
G1.4	The SCSVS, security requirements or policy is available to all developers and testers.
G1.5	The events for the (state changing/crucial for business) operations are defined.
G1.6	The project includes a mechanism that can temporarily stop sensitive functionalities in case of an attack. This mechanism should not block users' access to their assets (e.g. tokens).
G1.7	The amount of unused cryptocurrencies kept on the contract is controlled and at the minimum acceptable level so as not to become a potential target of an attack.
G1.8	If the fallback function can be called by anyone, it is included in the threat model.
G1.9	Business logic is consistent. Important changes in the logic should be applied in all contracts.
G1.10	Automatic code analysis tools are employed to detect vulnerabilities.
G1.11	The latest major release of Solidity is used.
G1.12	When using an external implementation of a contract, the most recent version is used.
G1.13	When functions are overridden to extend functionality, the super keyword is used to maintain previous functionality.
G1.14	The order of inheritance is carefully specified.
G1.15	There is a component that monitors contract activity using events.
G1.16	The threat model includes whale transactions.
G1.17	The leakage of one private key does not compromise the security of the entire project.

Policies and	Tost Name
Procedures	Test Name



G2.2	The system's security is under constant monitoring (e.g. the expected level of funds).
G2.3	There is a policy to track new security vulnerabilities and to update libraries to the
G2.5	latest secure version.
G2.4	The security department can be publicly contacted and that the procedure for
G2.4	handling reported bugs (e.g., thorough bug bounty) is well-defined.
G2.5	The process of adding new components to the system is well defined.
G2.6	The process of major system changes involves threat modeling by an external
G2.0	company.
G2.7	The process of adding and updating components to the system includes a security
G2.7	audit by an external company.
G2.8	In the event of a hack, there's a clear and well known mitigation procedure in place.
G2.9	The procedure in the event of a hack clearly defines which persons are to execute
	the required actions.
G2.10	The procedure includes alarming other projects about the hack through trusted
G2.10	channels.
G2.11	A private key leak mitigation procedure is defined.

Upgradability	Test Name
G2.2	Before upgrading, an emulation is made in a fork of the main network and
G2.2	everything works as expected on the local copy.
G2.3	The upgrade process is executed by a multisig contract where more than one
G2.3	person must approve the operation.
	Timelocks are used for important operations so that the users have time to
G2.4	observe upcoming changes (please note that removing potential vulnerabilities in
	this case may be more difficult).
G2.5	initialize() can only be called once.
G2.6	initialize() can only be called by an authorized role through appropriate modifiers
G2.0	(e.g. initializer, onlyOwner).
G2.7	The update process is done in a single transaction so that no one can front-run it.
G2.8	Upgradeable contracts have reserved gap on slots to prevent overwriting.
G2.9	The number of reserved (as a gap) slots has been reduced appropriately if new
G2.9	variables have been added.
G2.10	There are no changes in the order in which the contract state variables are
G2.10	declared, nor their types.
G2.11	New values returned by the functions are the same as in previous versions of the
	contract (e.g. owner(), balanceOf(address)).
G2.12	The implementation is initialized.
G2.13	The implementation can't be destroyed.



Business Logic	Test Name
G4.2	The contract logic and protocol parameters implementation corresponds to the
G4.2	documentation.
G4.3	The business logic proceeds in a sequential step order and it is not possible to skip
G4.5	steps or to do it in a different order than designed.
G4.4	The contract has correctly enforced business limits.
G4.5	The business logic does not rely on the values retrieved from untrusted contracts
G4.5	(especially when there are multiple calls to the same contract in a single flow).
G4.6	The business logic does not rely on the contract's balance (e.g., balance == 0).
G4.7	Sensitive operations do not depend on block data (e.g., block hash, timestamp).
G4.8	The contract uses mechanisms that mitigate transaction-ordering (front-running)
G4.6	attacks (e.g. pre-commit schemes).
G4.9	The contract does not send funds automatically, but lets users withdraw funds in
G4.9	separate transactions instead.

Access Control	Test Name
G5.2	The principle of the least privilege is upheld. Other contracts should only be able to
G5.2	access functions and data for which they possess specific authorization.
	New contracts with access to the audited contract adhere to the principle of
G5.3	minimum rights by default. Contracts should have a minimal or no permissions
	until access to the new features is explicitly granted.
G5.4	The creator of the contract complies with the principle of the least privilege and
U3.4	their rights strictly follow those outlined in the documentation.
G5.5	The contract enforces the access control rules specified in a trusted contract,
<u> </u>	especially if the dApp client-side access control is present and could be bypassed.
G5.6	Calls to external contracts are only allowed if necessary.
G5.7	Modifier code is clear and simple. The logic should not contain external calls to
G5.7	untrusted contracts.
G5.8	All user and data attributes used by access controls are kept in trusted contracts
G5.6	and cannot be manipulated by other contracts unless specifically authorized.
G5.9	the access controls fail securely, including when a revert occurs.
G5.10	If the input (function parameters) is validated, the positive validation approach
	(whitelisting) is used where possible.

Communication	Test Name
I G6.2	Libraries that are not part of the application (but the smart contract relies on to
	operate) are identified.



G6.3	Delegate call is not used with untrusted contracts.
G6.4	Third party contracts do not shadow special functions (e.g. revert).
G6.5	The contract does not check whether the address is a contract using <i>extcodesize</i> opcode.
G6.6	Re-entrancy attacks are mitigated by blocking recursive calls from other contracts and following the Check-Effects-Interactions pattern. Do not use the <i>send</i> function unless it is a must.
G6.7	The result of low-level function calls (e.g. send, delegatecall, call) from other contracts is checked.
G6.8	Contract relies on the data provided by the right sender and does not rely on tx.origin value.

Arithmetic	Test Name
G7.2	The values and math operations are resistant to integer overflows. Use SafeMath
	library for arithmetic operations before solidity 0.8.*.
G7.3	the unchecked code snippets from Solidity ≥ 0.8.* do not introduce integer
	under/overflows.
G7.4	Extreme values (e.g. maximum and minimum values of the variable type) are
	considered and do not change the logic flow of the contract.
G7.5	Non-strict inequality is used for balance equality.
G7.6	Correct orders of magnitude are used in the calculations.
G7.7	In calculations, multiplication is performed before division for accuracy.
G7.8	The contract does not assume fixed-point precision and uses a multiplier or store
	both the numerator and denominator.

Denial of Service	Test Name
G8.2	The contract does not iterate over unbound loops.
G8.3	Self-destruct functionality is used only if necessary. If it is included in the contract, it should be clearly described in the documentation.
G8.4	The business logic isn't blocked if an actor (e.g. contract, account, oracle) is absent.
G8.5	The business logic does not disincentivize users to use contracts (e.g. the cost of transaction is higher than the profit).
G8.6	Expressions of functions assert or require have a passing variant.
G8.7	If the fallback function is not callable by anyone, it is not blocking contract functionalities.
G8.8	There are no costly operations in a loop.
G8.9	There are no calls to untrusted contracts in a loop.
G8.10	If there is a possibility of suspending the operation of the contract, it is also



	possible to resume it.
G8.11	If whitelists and blacklists are used, they do not interfere with normal operation of
	the system.
G8.12	There is no DoS caused by overflows and underflows.

Blockchain Data	Test Name
G9.2	Any saved data in contracts is not considered secure or private (even private
	variables).
G9.3	No confidential data is stored in the blockchain (passwords, personal data, token
	etc.).
G9.4	Contracts do not use string literals as keys for mappings. Global constants are used
	instead to prevent Homoglyph attack.
G9.5	Contract does not trivially generate pseudorandom numbers based on the
	information from blockchain (e.g. seeding with the block number).

Gas Usage and Limitations	Test Name
G10.2	Gas usage is anticipated, defined and has clear limitations that cannot be exceeded. Both code structure and malicious input should not cause gas exhaustion.
G10.3	Function execution and functionality does not depend on hard-coded gas fees (they are bound to vary).

Clarity and Readability	Test Name
G11.2	The logic is clear and modularized in multiple simple contracts and functions.
G11.3	Each contract has a short 1-2 sentence comment that explains its purpose and
G11.13	functionality.
	Off-the-shelf implementations are used, this is made clear in comment. If these
G11.4	implementations have been modified, the modifications are noted throughout the
	contract.
G11.5	The inheritance order is taken into account in contracts that use multiple
G11.5	inheritance and shadow functions.
G11.6	Where possible, contracts use existing tested code (e.g. token contracts or
	mechanisms like <i>ownable</i> ) instead of implementing their own.
G11.7	Consistent naming patterns are followed throughout the project.
G11.8	Variables have distinctive names.
G11.9	All storage variables are initialized.
G11.10	Functions with specified return type return a value of that type.



G11.11	All functions and variables are used.
G11.12	require is used instead of revert in if statements.
G11.13	The <i>assert</i> function is used to test for internal errors and the <i>require</i> function is used to ensure a valid condition in input from users and external contracts.
G11.14	Assembly code is only used if necessary.

Test Coverage	Test Name
G12.2	Abuse narratives detailed in the threat model are covered by unit tests.
G12.3	Sensitive functions in verified contracts are covered with tests in the development
	phase.
G12.4	Implementation of verified contracts has been checked for security vulnerabilities
G12.4	using both static and dynamic analysis.
G12.5	Contract specification has been formally verified.
G12.6	The specification and results of the formal verification is included in the
	documentation.

Decentralized Finance	Test Name
G14.1	The lender's contract does not assume its balance (used to confirm loan
	repayment) to be changed only with its own functions.
	Functions that change lenders' balance and/or lend cryptocurrency are
G14.2	non-re-entrant if the smart contract allows borrowing the main platform's
G14.2	cryptocurrency (e.g. Ethereum). It blocks the attacks that update the borrower's
	balance during the flash loan execution.
	Flash loan functions can only call predefined functions on the receiving contract. If
G14.3	it is possible, define a trusted subset of contracts to be called. Usually, the sending
	(borrowing) contract is the one to be called back.
	If it includes potentially dangerous operations (e.g. sending back more ETH/tokens
G14.4	than borrowed), the receiver's function that handles borrowed ETH or tokens can
014.4	be called only by the pool and within a process initiated by the receiving contract's
	owner or another trusted source (e.g. multisig).
	Calculations of liquidity pool share are performed with the highest possible
G14.5	precision (e.g. if the contribution is calculated for ETH it should be done with 18
014.5	digit precision - for Wei, not Ether). The dividend must be multiplied by the 10 to
	the power of the number of decimal digits (e.g. dividend * 10^18 / divisor).
	Rewards cannot be calculated and distributed within the same function call that
G14.6	deposits tokens (it should also be defined as non-re-entrant). This protects from
	momentary fluctuations in shares.
G14.7	Governance contracts are protected from flash loan attacks. One possible



	mitigation technique is to require the process of depositing governance tokens and
	proposing a change to be executed in different transactions included in different
	blocks.
C14.9	When using on-chain oracles, contracts are able to pause operations based on the
G14.8	oracles' result (in case of a compromised oracle).
	External contracts (even trusted ones) that are allowed to change the attributes of
G14.9	a project contract (e.g. token price) have the following limitations implemented:
G14.9	thresholds for the change (e.g. no more/less than 5%) and a limit of updates (e.g.
	one update per day).
	Contract attributes that can be updated by the external contracts (even trusted
G14.10	ones) are monitored (e.g. using events) and an incident response procedure is
	implemented (e.g. during an ongoing attack).
C14.11	Complex math operations that consist of both multiplication and division
G14.11	operations first perform multiplications and then division.
G14.12	When calculating exchange prices (e.g. ETH to token or vice versa), the numerator
	and denominator are multiplied by the reserves (see the <code>getInputPrice</code> function in
	the <i>UniswapExchange</i> contract).



# **Audit Findings**

#### Centralized Backend Server

ID	SAY-01
Status	Open
Risk	Medium
Business Impact	This can lead to funds being transferred to an unauthorized account, causing financial loss to the protocol. A compromised private key will cause a loss of 100% of the funds.
Location	- Multiple entry points
Description	Functions like <b>send_claim, admin_move</b> or <b>add_admin</b> of the contract allow the admin to do highly privileged operations from the contract.
	Although the documentation assumes that the call is to be generated via a backend server, one compromised private key would mean that all funds will be at risk.
Mitigation	Sensitive admin functionalities should be backed up by a multi-sig wallet from more than one server, if possible.

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# Lack of Input Validation

ID	SAY-02
Status	Open
Risk	Low
Business Impact	This could cause a loss of funds
Location	- Multiple entry points
Description	The smart contract contains multiple functions that validate the input from the sender like the amounts of the cuts, but the addresses are never checked.  We assume this is because the sender is usually the backend server, but as we can not guarantee the input validation of the server, we raise the flag of the smart contract not validating the address inputs which can lead to potential security risks for users and the platform.  An example of this could be the <b>admin_move</b> . This entry point allows the
	contract admin to withdraw all the funds from the contract to a designated address. However, there is no check in place to verify whether the address parameter is a valid contract address. This means that the funds could be sent to an incorrect address, causing a loss of funds for the contract. If an invalid address is provided, the funds will be lost without any way of recovery, and the contract admin will have no control over the funds.
Mitigation	To mitigate this issue, the contract should verify that the address parameter is a valid contract address before transferring any funds to it.



### Better Implementation of Access Control

ID	SAY-03
Status	Open
Risk	Informational
Business Impact	This can lead to a complete loss of funds in case of a compromised admin private key.
Location	
Description	In case of multiple admins at a future point in time, the contract currently does not enforce any mechanism for a hierarchical set of privileges.  In any case, if one of the admins becomes malicious or their keys get compromised, the contract is vulnerable to attacks resulting in user funds loss and rug pull.
Mitigation	It is highly suggested that the contract implements a hierarchical set of access control to ensure a super admin role essentially (the deployer or protocol governance) is set up with access to a full spectrum of functionalities and a normal admin with a limited one.