



When the Red Team/TA Goes Passwordless

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Passwordless

- Certificate Based Authentication
- Smart Card Logon
- Key Based Authentication (WHfB)



AD Certificate Services

- Often found misconfigured
- Great value for attackers
- No passwords needed!



Offensive Toolkit

- Since 2021 ADCS security awareness greatly increased with the release of Certify
- Certificate Templates attacks

https://github.com/GhostPack/Certify/ https://github.com/ly4k/Certipy



Vanilla persistency "oob"



Vulnerable Templates

- ESC1 to ESC10 attacks
- CT_FLAG_ENROLLEE_SUPPLIES_SUBJECT
 - Allows for impersonation!

https://specterops.io/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2022/06/Certified Pre-Owned.pdf https://posts.specterops.io/certificates-and-pwnage-and-patches-oh-my-8ae0f4304c1d



Template Enumeration



Custom Subject Name



May 2022 Changes

- CVE-2022-34691
- CVE-2022-26931
- CVE-2022-26923
- Strong Mapping mechanism to address issue



https://support.microsoft.com/en-au/topic/kb5014754-certificate-based-authentication-changes-on-windows-domain-controllers-ad2c23b0-15d8-4340-a468-4d4f3b188f16



May 2022 Patch

- StrongCertificateBindingEnforcement
 - Disabled Mode
 - Compatibility Mode
 - Full Enforcement Mode
- Also Restrict Schannel (TLS Auth)
 - CertificateMappingMethods



StrongMapping "Bypass"



Disable SID Flag

```
PS C:\Users\causer> certutil -dstemplate HappyUser msPKI-Enrollment-Flag +0x80000
CN=Certificate Templates,CN=Public Key Services,CN=Services,CN=Configuration,DC=corp,DC=local:
    HappyUser

Old Value:
    msPKI-Enrollment-Flag REG_DWORD = 9
        CT_FLAG_INCLUDE_SYMMETRIC_ALGORITHMS -- 1
        CT_FLAG_PUBLISH_TO_DS -- 8

New Value:
    msPKI-Enrollment-Flag REG_DWORD = 80009 (524297)
        CT_FLAG_INCLUDE_SYMMETRIC_ALGORITHMS -- 1
        CT_FLAG_INCLUDE_SYMMETRIC_ALGORITHMS -- 1
        CT_FLAG_PUBLISH_TO_DS -- 8
        0x80000 (524288)

CertUtil: -dsTemplate command completed successfully.
```



Disable Custom SID



LDAP TLS Authentication

• When Kerberos does not allow auth, LDAP might!



Shadow Credentials

- Key Trust: Public/Private key authentication with no certificates
- Stored in attribute msDS-KeyCredentialLink

https://github.com/eladshamir/Whisker https://github.com/DecOne/ShadowSpray/



Shadow Credentials

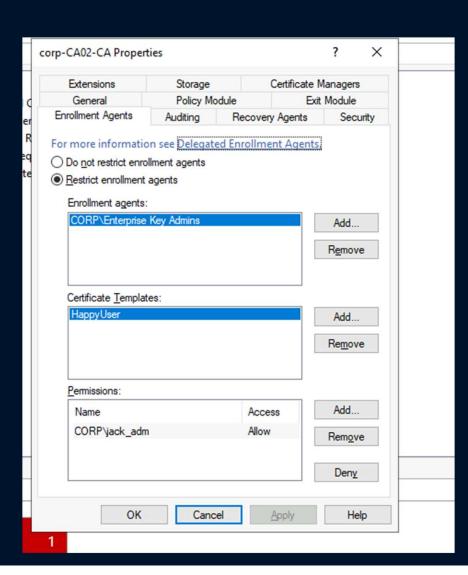


Enrollment Agent

- If a certificate is issued, it allows to act on behalf of any other user.
- Can be further limited to special users



Restricted Enrollment Agent





Key take aways

- Regular User/Computer certificates
- Template Configuration and Permissions
- StrongMapping vs "AltSecID"
- Shadow Credentials / msDS-KeyCredentialLink
- Enrollment Agent Restriction



Thank you!

