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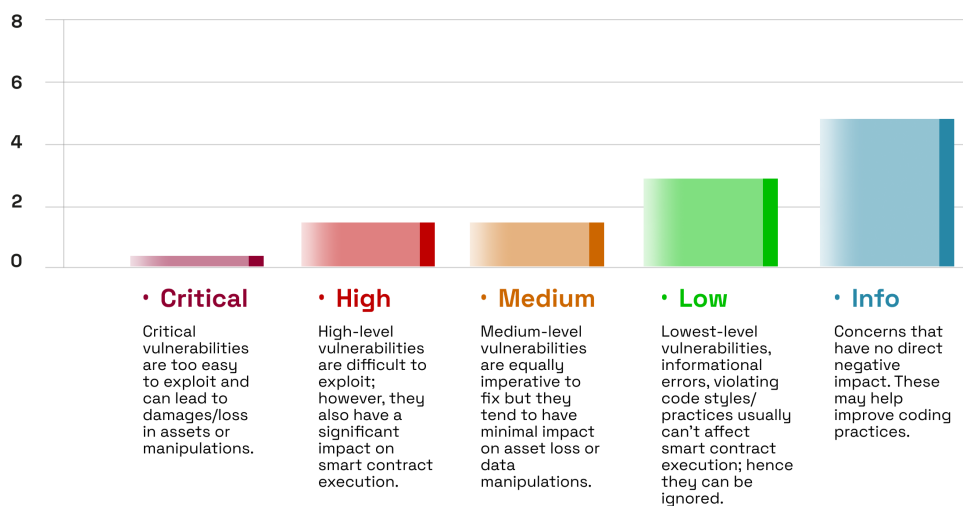
## 1 Executive Summary

Our team performed a Filtered Audit on the Dark Machine smart contracts, where two auditors independently conducted a detailed manual review of the code to identify potential vulnerabilities and logic flaws. This was followed by an automated tool-based analysis to detect common security issues. All flagged findings were manually verified and re-tested to eliminate false positives and confirm their validity.

### Developer Response ⓘ



### Issues Overview ⓘ



## 1.1 Scope

### 1.1.1 In Scope

**Overview of the Contracts:** Dark Machine is a decentralized staking and reward distribution protocol that integrates NFT staking, ERC20 token staking, vesting, and soft-staking mechanisms into a unified ecosystem. The platform is designed to incentivize user participation through dynamic reward phases, flexible staking options, and fair reward distribution. The smart contracts audited are deployed on EVM-compatible blockchains and focus on secure staking operations, reward management, and access control. The protocol allows users to stake tokens and NFTs to earn rewards, while administrators manage staking pools and reward phases.

#### Contracts in Scope:

1. DMG7Q1.sol – Standard NFT contract for minting and managing NFTs.
2. DMVIPA.sol – NFT contract with tracking mechanisms for ownership duration and staking.
3. MXNA.sol – ERC20 token contract with minting, burning, and transfer restrictions.
4. SaleTokenClaim.sol – Contract for managing token vesting, claiming schedules, and reward distribution.
5. SoftStaking.sol – Contract for soft-staking NFTs and distributing reward points based on ownership duration.
6. TokenStaking.sol – ERC20 staking contract with dynamic reward phases and reward distribution logic.

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### 1.1.2 Out of Scope

Any features, contracts, or functionalities not explicitly mentioned in the “In Scope” section are considered out of scope for this audit. This includes any external integrations, off-chain components, or third-party smart contracts interacting with the Dark Machine protocol.

## **1.2 Methodology**

The codebase was audited using a Filtered Audit technique. A band of two (2) auditors scanned the codebase in an iterative process for a time spanning 2 weeks. Starting with the recon phase, a basic understanding was developed, and the auditors worked on developing presumptions for the developed codebase and the relevant documentation. Furthermore, the audit progressed with manual code reviews to identify logical flaws, potential security vulnerabilities, and areas for code optimization. This phase was complemented by evaluations of software and security design patterns, code styling, and adherence to best practices. Automated tools were also utilized to flag common vulnerabilities, and all findings were manually verified to eliminate false positives and ensure accuracy.

## Project Overview

Dark Machine is a decentralized staking and reward distribution protocol designed to seamlessly integrate NFT staking, ERC20 token staking, dynamic reward distribution, and soft-staking mechanisms into a unified ecosystem. It emphasizes flexibility, transparency, and user incentivization while leveraging modular smart contract architecture to support diverse staking models. Key Component Include:

### 1. Token Staking Module:

- Dynamic Reward Phases: Supports phased reward distribution with customizable start and end times, enabling precise control over token emission schedules.
- Flexible Lock Periods: Users can stake tokens for variable durations, with longer lock periods offering increased reward multipliers.

### 2. NFT Staking Module:

- Soft Staking Mechanism: NFT holders can earn points based on ownership duration and the number of NFTs held.
- Dynamic Point Multipliers: Users are incentivized to hold more NFTs for higher multipliers and increased rewards.
- Customizable Point Distribution Windows: Admins can define specific time frames for point accumulation.

### 3. Vesting & Claiming Module:

- Token Claiming: Users can claim vested tokens based on predefined schedules, including cliff periods and weekly unlock amounts.
- TGE (Token Generation Event): Initial tokens are released immediately at TGE, with the remaining tokens following a vesting schedule.
- Unlockable Amounts: Claim calculations ensure fairness, considering elapsed time and vesting conditions.

### 4. Governance & Access Control:

- Role-Based Access Control: Administrative roles such as DEFAULT\_ADMIN\_ROLE and OPERATOR\_ROLE regulate sensitive operations.

This architecture ensures efficient staking, dynamic reward allocation, and robust administrative controls, offering a scalable and transparent staking ecosystem for token and NFT holders alike.

**Centralization & Administrative Roles**

Most protocols require a degree of centralization to function effectively, often involving roles like “super admins” with elevated privileges for managing critical operations. In the case of this protocol, roles such as `DEFAULT_ADMIN_ROLE` and `OPERATOR_ROLE` are specifically defined to handle administrative actions. While we trust the operators of the protocol to act rationally and responsibly, we want to highlight the actions these roles are capable of performing for transparency:

1. Enables the withdrawal of specific ERC20 tokens to a designated wallet address through `withdrawTokens` function.
2. Allows the withdrawal of all ERC20 tokens from the contract to a specified wallet through `withdrawAllTokens` function.
3. Facilitates the transfer of native tokens held by the contract to a chosen address through `withdrawNativetokens` function.



### 1.3 Questions for Security Assessment

These are the main questions for security assessment, but the evaluation is not limited to these alone.

- 1.** How does the protocol ensure efficient and bounded reward calculations in staking pools to prevent gas exhaustion during large-scale staking and reward distribution?
- 2.** What safeguards are implemented to prevent unauthorized access to critical administrative functions, such as modifying pool parameters or withdrawing tokens?
- 3.** How does the contract handle staking and unstaking operations to ensure that tokens are not transferred before proper validation of user balances and lock durations?
- 4.** Are there mechanisms in place to prevent reentrancy attacks, especially in functions involving token transfers and reward claims?
- 5.** Does the contract verify the availability of reward tokens during pool creation to ensure sufficient funds for promised reward distribution?
- 6.** How does the contract handle edge cases in reward distribution, such as preventing users with shorter lock durations from unfairly accumulating long-term rewards?
- 7.** Are there proper validations to ensure that administrative roles cannot misuse withdrawal functions to drain staking or reward funds?
- 8.** Does the contract prevent the possibility of overflow or underflow in reward calculations, particularly during reward accumulation over time?
- 9.** How does the protocol ensure that staking tokens and reward tokens cannot be mistakenly or maliciously withdrawn through general withdrawal functions?
- 10.** Are fallback mechanisms in place to handle failed transactions during reward distribution or staking operations to maintain the protocol's integrity?

## 1.4 Status Descriptions

**Acknowledged:** The issue has been recognized and is under review. It indicates that the relevant team is aware of the problem and is actively considering the next steps or solutions.

**Fixed:** The issue has been addressed and resolved. Necessary actions or corrections have been implemented to eliminate the vulnerability or problem.

**Closed:** This status signifies that the issue has been thoroughly evaluated and acknowledged by the development team. While no immediate action is being taken.

## 1.5 Summary of Findings Identified

S.No	Severity	Findings	Status
#1	HIGH	Flawed Access Control on 'Blocked' and 'Not Allowed Addresses' for MXNA Token	FIXED
#2	MEDIUM	Unrestricted Configuration in setPool Can Lead to Unintended Outcomes	PARTIALLY FIXED
#3	LOW	Unfair Reward Distribution Due to Staking Lock Discrepancy	ACKNOWLEDGED
#4	LOW	Self-Transfer of Single NFT Resets Ownership Timestamp, Disrupting Rewards	ACKNOWLEDGED
#5	LOW	Lack of Reward Fund Validation During Pool Creation	ACKNOWLEDGED
#6	INFO	Unsafe ERC20 Operations in TokenStaking and SaleTokenClaim Contracts	FIXED
#7	INFO	Missing Event Emissions for State Changes	FIXED
#8	INFO	Unsafe Use of _mint() Instead of _safeMint() for ERC721 Tokens	ACKNOWLEDGED
#9	INFO	Costly Operations in Loops and Unbounded Growth of userStakelds	FIXED
#10	INFO	Missing Validation and Logical Checks	FIXED

## 2 Findings and Risk Analysis

### 2.1 Flawed Access Control on 'Blocked' and 'Not Allowed Addresses' for MXNA Token

**Severity:** High

**Status:** Fixed

**Location :**

contracts/MXNA.sol

**Description** The MXNA token contract fails to enforce restrictions on blocked and not allowed users effectively, leading to the following issues:

1. Minting for Blocked Users: The mint function allows blocked addresses to receive MXNA tokens, which undermines the concept of blocking.
2. Burning by Blocked Users: Blocked users can burn their MXNA tokens, which should not be permitted.
3. Unrestricted Transfers: Blocked and unauthorized users can freely transfer MXNA tokens, bypassing restrictions, even when transfers are disabled.

#### Proof of Concept

```
1 function test_blocked_user_transfer() public {
2     // Disable transfers globally
3     token.setTransferEnabled(false);
4
5     // **Not Allowed User Test Cases**
6
7     // Mint tokens to a not allowed address. This operation is allowed as it's an
8     // admin action.
9     token.mint(not_Allowed_address, 1000 ether); // Minting 1000 MXNA tokens to a not
10    // allowed user
11    assertEq(token.balanceOf(not_Allowed_address), 1000 ether); // Balance of not allowed
12    // user should be updated
13
14    // Not allowed users can burn tokens, which should ideally be restricted
15    vm.prank(not_Allowed_address); // Simulate action as the not allowed address
16    token.burn(10 ether); // Burn 10 MXNA tokens
17    assertEq(token.balanceOf(not_Allowed_address), 990 ether); // Balance should be
18    // reduced after burning
19
20    // Not allowed users can transfer tokens between themselves even when transfers are
21    // disabled
22    vm.prank(not_Allowed_address); // Simulate action as the not allowed address
23    token.transfer(address(1), 90 ether); // Transfer 90 MXNA tokens to another address
24    assertEq(token.balanceOf(not_Allowed_address), 900 ether); // Balance should reflect
25    // the transfer
26
27    // **Blocked User Test Cases**
28
29    // Add the address to the blocked list
30    token.addBlockedAddress(blocked_user);
```

```
26 // Blocked users can still receive tokens via minting, which should be restricted
27 token.mint(blocked_user, 1000 ether); // Minting 1000 MXNA tokens to a blocked user
28 assertEq(token.balanceOf(blocked_user), 1000 ether); // Balance of blocked user should
    be updated
29
30 // Blocked users can burn tokens, which should not be allowed
31 vm.prank(blocked_user); // Simulate action as the blocked user
32 token.burn(10 ether); // Burn 10 MXNA tokens
33 assertEq(token.balanceOf(blocked_user), 990 ether); // Balance should be reduced after
    burning
34
35 // Allow a specific user for transfers
36 token.addAllowedAddress(allowed_user);
37
38 // Blocked users can transfer tokens to allowed users, and allowed users can transfer
    tokens to blocked users,
39 // even when transfers are disabled. This behavior is unintended.
40 vm.prank(blocked_user); // Simulate action as the blocked user
41 token.transfer(allowed_user, 90 ether); // Transfer 90 MXNA tokens to an allowed user
42 assertEq(token.balanceOf(blocked_user), 900 ether); // Balance should reflect the
    transfer
43
44 // Enable transfers globally
45 token.setTransferEnabled(true);
46
47 // Blocked users can transfer tokens to anyone when transfers are enabled, bypassing
    their blocked status
48 vm.prank(blocked_user); // Simulate action as the blocked user
49 token.transfer(address(1), 100 ether); // Transfer 100 MXNA tokens to another address
50 assertEq(token.balanceOf(blocked_user), 800 ether); // Balance should reflect the
    transfer
51
52 // Admin assigns a blocked user to the allowed list, which effectively removes
    restrictions from the blocked user
53 token.addAllowedAddress(blocked_user); // Blocked user is now also an allowed user
54 }
```

**Recommendation** Update the `_beforeTokenTransfer` function to strictly enforce transfer rules for blocked and unauthorized users.

## 2.2 Unrestricted Configuration in setPool Can Lead to Unintended Outcomes

**Severity:** Medium

**Status:** Partially Fixed

**Location :**

/contracts/TokenStaking.sol

**Description** The setPool function allows admins to update critical pool parameters such as staking and reward tokens, start and end times, and reward phases even after the pool is live. This level of control introduces risks, having following impact:

1. **Unexpected Token Changes:** Altering the staking or reward tokens mid-pool disrupts existing stakes and rewards logic, leading to mismatched tokens for users during staking or withdrawal
2. **Timing Manipulations:** Adjusting `startTime` or `endTime` can result in incorrect reward calculations, skipped rewards, or premature pool closure, negatively affecting stakers.
3. **Phase Modifications:** Changing reward phases (e.g., adding, removing, or modifying them) post-initialization can break reward distribution consistency and user expectations. Reward Reductions: Reducing `totalRewards` or modifying `phaseRewards` after the pool starts may cheat stakers of promised rewards.

**Recommendation :**

1. Prevent changes to `stakingToken` and `rewardToken` once the pool has started to ensure token consistency.
2. Disallow modifications to `startTime` after the pool begins; ensure any `endTime` changes can only extend the pool duration.
3. Validate that `lastRewardTime` is properly updated whenever `startTime` or `endTime` is modified to maintain reward accuracy.
4. Lock `totalRewards` and `phaseRewards` once the pool has started to avoid altering user expectations.
5. Restrict modifications to reward phases.
6. Validate reward phases to confirm they are sequential, non-overlapping, and aligned with the pool's overall duration.
7. Enforce a rule preventing reductions to `endTime` after the pool begins, allowing only extensions to support ongoing stakes.

```
1  IERC20 _rewardToken,  
2  uint256 _startTime,  
3  uint256 _endTime,  
4  uint256[] memory _phaseStartTimes,  
5  uint256[] memory _phaseEndTimes,  
6  uint256[] memory _phaseRewards
```

```
7 ) external onlyRole(OPERATOR_ROLE) {
8     Pool storage pool = pools[_poolId];
9     // Ensure pool has not started
10    require(block.timestamp < pool.startTime, "Cannot modify active pool");
11    // Prevent token changes after initialization
12    require(pool.startTime == 0, "Token updates not allowed after start");
13    // Validate end time modifications
14    require(_endTime >= pool.endTime, "End time cannot be reduced");
15    require(_endTime > _startTime, "End time must be after start time");
16    // Validate reward phases
17    require(
18        _phaseStartTimes.length == _phaseEndTimes.length && _phaseEndTimes.length
19        == _phaseRewards.length,
20        "Phase arrays must be same length");
21    uint256 totalRewards = 0;
22    for (uint256 i = 0; i < _phaseRewards.length; i++) {
23        totalRewards += _phaseRewards[i];
24    }
25    // Lock existing reward phases after pool start
26    require(poolRewardPhases[_poolId].length == 0 || block.timestamp < pool.startTime,
27        "Reward phases are immutable");
28    // Update pool data
29    pool.totalRewards = totalRewards;
30    pool.endTime = _endTime;
31    delete poolRewardPhases[_poolId];
32    for (uint256 i = 0; i < _phaseStartTimes.length; i++) {
33        require(_phaseEndTimes[i] > _phaseStartTimes[i], "Phase end time must be
34            after start time");
35        require(
36            _phaseStartTimes[i] >= _startTime && _phaseEndTimes[i] <=
37            _endTime,
38            "Phase times must be within pool times");
39        if (i > 0) {
40            require(_phaseStartTimes[i] == _phaseEndTimes[i - 1], "Phases must be
41                consecutive");
42        }
43        RewardPhase memory phase = RewardPhase({
44            startTime: _phaseStartTimes[i],
45            endTime: _phaseEndTimes[i],
46            totalRewards: _phaseRewards[i]
47        });
48        poolRewardPhases[_poolId].push(phase);
49    }
50    emit PoolSet(
51        _poolId,
52        pool.stakingToken,
53        pool.rewardToken,
54        totalRewards,
55        pool.startTime,
56        _endTime,
57        _phaseStartTimes,
58        _phaseEndTimes,
59        _phaseRewards
60    );
61 }
```

## 2.3 Unfair Reward Distribution Due to Staking Lock Discrepancy

**Severity:** Low

**Status:** Acknowledged

**Location :**

/contracts/TokenStaking.sol

**Description** In the current reward system, rewards are distributed evenly based on the amount staked, without properly considering the lock duration. For example, in a 4-week pool with two reward phases of 2 weeks each, if User 1 stakes for just 1 week and User 2 stakes for the full 4 weeks, both can still earn the same rewards if User 1 decides not to unstake after their lock ends. This creates an imbalance where User 2, who is locked and cannot withdraw funds for the full duration, receives no additional benefit compared to User 1, who had the flexibility to leave but chose to stay. This undermines the purpose of staking locks, making long-term commitments meaningless in terms of reward incentives.

### Proof of Concept

```
1  function testParallelRewardsCheck() public {
2      uint256 startTime = block.timestamp;
3      uint256 endTime = startTime + 4 weeks;
4
5      uint256[] memory phaseStartTimes = new uint256[](2);
6      uint256[] memory phaseEndTimes = new uint256[](2);
7      uint256[] memory phaseRewards = new uint256[](2);
8
9      phaseStartTimes[0] = startTime;
10     phaseEndTimes[0] = startTime + 2 weeks;
11     phaseRewards[0] = 2000 ether;
12
13     phaseStartTimes[1] = startTime + 2 weeks;
14     phaseEndTimes[1] = endTime;
15     phaseRewards[1] = 4000 ether;
16
17     //creating pool 1
18     vm.prank(operator);
19     staking.addPool(
20         IERC20(address(token)),
21         IERC20(address(rewardToken)),
22         startTime,
23         endTime,
24         phaseStartTimes,
25         phaseEndTimes,
26         phaseRewards
27     );
28
29     (, , , uint256 totalRewards, , , , , , ) = staking.pools(1);
30     assertEq(totalRewards, 6000 ether, "Total rewards mismatch");
31
32     //staking 1000 tokens for a week
33     vm.startPrank(user1);
34     token.approve(address(staking), 10000 ether);
35     staking.stake(1, 1000 ether, 1);
36     assertEq(token.balanceOf(user1), 0);
37     vm.stopPrank();
```



```
38
39     //staking 1000 tokens for 4 weeks
40     vm.startPrank(user2);
41     token.approve(address(staking), 10000 ether);
42     staking.stake(1, 1000 ether, 4);
43     assertEq(token.balanceOf(user2), 0);
44     vm.stopPrank();
45
46     //after 4 weeks
47     vm.warp(block.timestamp + 4 weeks);
48
49     vm.startPrank(user1);
50     staking.claim(1);
51     staking.unstake(1);
52     console.log((rewardToken.balanceOf(user1)) / 1e18);
53     console.log((token.balanceOf(user1)) / 1e18);
54     vm.stopPrank();
55
56     vm.startPrank(user2);
57     staking.claim(2);
58     staking.unstake(2);
59     console.log((rewardToken.balanceOf(user1)) / 1e18);
60     console.log((token.balanceOf(user1)) / 1e18);
61     vm.stopPrank();
62 }
```

## Result

```
1  Logs:
2    User1 Reward:      2926
3    User1 staked amount: 1000
4    User2 Reward:      3073
5    User2 staked amount: 1000
```

**Recommendation** The reward system should factor in lock durations when distributing rewards. Rewards should either scale based on lock commitment or finalize once a lock period ends to prevent unintended accumulation. If the lock period is not necessary for the rewards calculation then it should be imposed on any user.

## 2.4 Self-Transfer of Single NFT Resets Ownership Timestamp, Disrupting Rewards

**Severity:** Low

**Status:** Acknowledged

**Location :**

contract/DMVIPA.sol

**Description** In the DMVIPA NFT contract, the `_beforeTokenTransfer` hook updates the `firstOwnedTime` mapping to track the first time an address owns an NFT. However, the current implementation incorrectly resets the `firstOwnedTime` for an address during self-transfers (i.e., `from == to`). This happens due to the condition:

```
1  if (from != address(0) && balanceOf(from) == 1) {  
2      firstOwnedTime[from] = 0;  
3  }
```

The condition assumes that the sender (`from`) no longer holds any NFTs, but in self-transfers, the ownership remains unchanged.

**Impact** Self-transfers reset `firstOwnedTime`, causing reward calculations in the `SoftStaking` contract to exclude the affected NFT.

### Proof of Concept

```
1  function test_firstOwnedTime_field_reset() public {  
2      nft.mint(user1);  
3      console.log(nft.getFirstOwnedTime(user1)); // Logs correct timestamp  
4      vm.prank(user1);  
5      nft.transferFrom(user1, user1, 0);          // Self-transfer  
6      console.log(nft.getFirstOwnedTime(user1)); // Logs 0 (incorrect)  
7  }
```

**Recommendation** Update the `_beforeTokenTransfer` logic to exclude self-transfers from resetting `firstOwnedTime`.

```
1  if (from != address(0) && balanceOf(from) == 1 && from != to) {  
2      firstOwnedTime[from] = 0;  
3  }
```

## 2.5 Lack of Reward Fund Validation During Pool Creation

**Severity:** Low

**Status:** Acknowledged

**Location :**

1. /contracts/TokenStaking.sol
2. /contract/SaleTokenClaim.sol

**Description** When an admin creates a pool using the addPool function, there is no validation to ensure that the reward tokens (rewardToken) corresponding to the declared totalRewards are actually transferred to the contract. Additionally, the admin should transfer the totalAmount of MXNA tokens to the SaleTokenClaim contract, ensuring they are locked. At the time of creating the ClaimInfo for users, the corresponding amount of MXNA tokens should be available and locked.

**Impact** Stakers may not receive their promised rewards if the pool is underfunded.

**Recommendation** Ensure that the reward tokens are present in the contract at the time of pool creation by adding a validation check in the addPool function.

```
1  require(  
2      _rewardToken.balanceOf(address(this)) >= totalRewards,  
3      "Insufficient reward tokens in contract"  
4  );
```

## 2.6 Unsafe ERC20 Operations in TokenStaking and SaleTokenClaim Contracts

**Severity:** [Info](#)

**Status:** Fixed

**Location :**

1. /contracts/TokenStaking.sol
2. /contract/SaleTokenClaim.sol

**Description** The TokenStaking and SaleTokenClaim contracts use low-level ERC20 functions (transfer, transferFrom) without verifying return values. This can lead to unexpected behavior with non-standard tokens. It is recommended to use OpenZeppelin's SafeERC20 library, which ensures robust error handling for token transfers and mitigates risks associated with unsafe ERC20 operations.

**Impact** Failure to use SafeERC20 operations can result in untracked token losses, low-level failures or inconsistencies.

**Recommendation** Replace all unsafe ERC20 operations with SafeERC20 library functions from OpenZeppelin.

- Use safeTransfer, safeTransferFrom, and safeApprove for token operations.
- For native ETH transfers, ensure the use of safe patterns like Address.sendValue or proper require checks to handle transfer failures.

## 2.7 Missing Event Emissions for State Changes

**Severity:** [Info](#)

**Status:** Fixed

**Location :**

1. /contracts/DMG7Q1.sol
2. /contract/DMVIPA.sol
3. /contract/SaleTokenClaim.sol
4. /contracts/TokenStaking.sol

**Description** Several functions in the contracts modify state variables without emitting events. Emitting events is essential for providing transparency, enabling off-chain monitoring, and facilitating debugging. This omission reduces visibility into critical contract operations and hinders efficient tracking of state changes.

**Recommendation** Emit appropriate events whenever state variables are updated to ensure traceability and transparency.

## 2.8 Unsafe Use of `_mint()` Instead of `_safeMint()` for ERC721 Tokens

**Severity:** [Info](#)

**Status:** Acknowledged

**Location :**

1. /contracts/DMG7Q1.sol
2. /contract/DMVIPA.sol

**Description** The contracts utilize the `_mint()` function from the ERC721 standard to mint tokens. However, `_mint()` does not ensure that the recipient address is capable of handling ERC721 tokens, potentially resulting in tokens being permanently locked in contracts or addresses that cannot handle ERC721 tokens. It is recommended to use `_safeMint()` instead, as it includes safety checks for recipient compatibility.

**Recommendation** Replace all occurrences of `_mint()` with `_safeMint()` to ensure that the recipient address implements the ERC721Receiver interface and is capable of handling ERC721 tokens.

## 2.9 Costly Operations in Loops and Unbounded Growth of userStakelds

**Severity:** [Info](#)

**Status:** Fixed

**Location :**

1. /contracts/DMG7Q1.sol
2. /contract/DMVIPA.sol
3. /contract/SaleTokenClaim.sol
4. /contracts/TokenStaking.sol

**Description** Costly SSTORE operations occur within loops, increasing gas usage and risking out-of-gas errors. Additionally, the userStakelds mapping grows linearly as users stake, leading to high gas costs for iteration or related operations.

**Impact :**

1. Excessive gas consumption and potential out-of-gas errors when operating on large data sets.
2. Increasing gas costs for operations involving userStakelds as the array grows linearly with user staking activities

**Recommendation :**

1. Optimize loops by using local variables for intermediate results.
2. Remove stake IDs from userStakelds during unstaking to prevent unchecked growth.

## 2.10 Missing Validation and Logical Checks

**Severity:** Info

**Status:** Fixed

**Description** Several areas across the contracts lack necessary validation checks, which could lead to unintended behavior or improper configurations. Key issues include missing timestamp comparisons, inadequate parameter validation, and logical constraints not being enforced. **Instances & Recommendation**

1. **setFirstOwnedTime()** **File:** DMVIPA.sol **Issue:** Missing check to ensure `time >= block.timestamp`.  
**Recommendation:** Validate time to ensure it is not in the past.

2. **setClaimStartTime()** **File:** SaleTokenClaim.sol **Issues:**
  - `_claimStartTime` should be greater than `block.timestamp`.
  - Should only allow this to be set once.

**Recommendation:** Add checks to enforce these constraints.

3. **setClaimInfo()** **File:** SaleTokenClaim.sol **Issues:**
  - `tgePercentage` must not exceed 100.
  - `vestingDuration` and `cliffDuration` must not be 0.
  - `cliffDuration` must not exceed `vestingDuration`.

**Recommendation:** Implement these validations.

4. **setPointStartTime()** **File:** SaleTokenClaim.sol **Issue:** Missing check to ensure `_pointStartTime >= block.timestamp`. **Recommendation:** Add validation for the timestamp comparison.

5. **addPool()** **File:** TokenStaking.sol **Issues:**
  - `_phaseStartTimes`, `_phaseEndTimes`, and `_phaseRewards` must have lengths greater than 0.
  - `_startTime` must be greater than `block.timestamp`.

**Recommendation:** Enforce these checks.

6. **setPool()** **File:** TokenStaking.sol **Issues:**
  - `_poolId` must be less than `nextPoolId`.
  - Do not allow changes if the pool has already started (`_startTime < block.timestamp`).



- `_phaseStartTimes`, `_phaseEndTimes`, and `_phaseRewards` must have lengths greater than 0.

**Recommendation:** Add these validations.

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