CheckMK- Several XSS vulnerabilities

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Application: 2.0.0p1 Enterprise and above

Attack type: Stored XSS and Reflected XSS and HTML injection

Solution: Update to Software Revision 2.0.0p4 or later

Summary: XSS vulnerabilities in several parameters of the management web console

Technical Description:

[Described in the next sections]

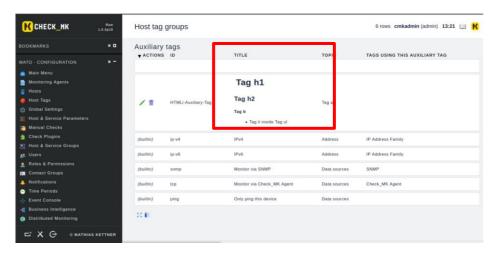
Location: WATO - Configuration → Host Tags → Auxiliary Tags → Create new Auxiliary tag

Vulnerability Type: HTML Injection

Payload:

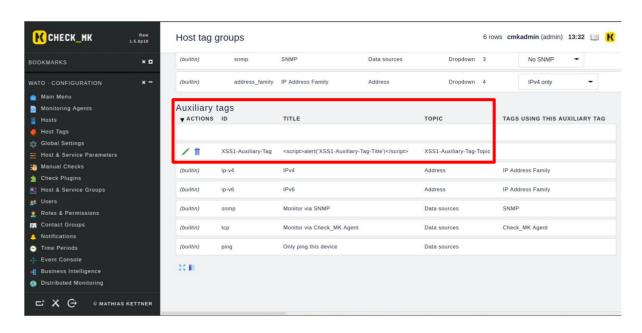
Payload (parameter=title): <h1>Tag h1</h1><h2>Tag h2</h2>Tag bTag li inside Tag ul
Payload (parameter=topic): Tag a

We see that HTML tags are accepted, so we can see HTML injection attacks on these parameters.

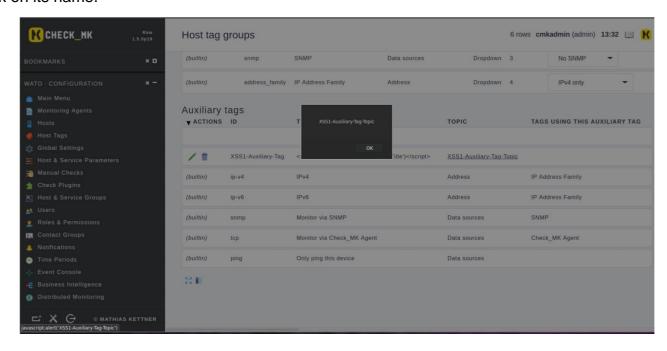


Vulnerability Type: Stored XSS

Payload (parameter=title):<script>alert('XSS1-Auxiliary-Tag-Title')</script>
Payload (parameter=topic): XSS1-Auxiliary-Tag-Topic

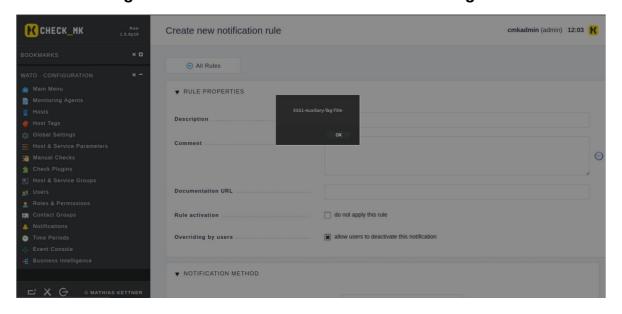


When we enter these payloads, the only one that reflects the XSS is the Topic parameter when we click on its name.



Nevertheless, the payload of the "Title" parameter is triggered when we go to:

WATO – Configuration → Notifications → Notification configuration → New rule (button)



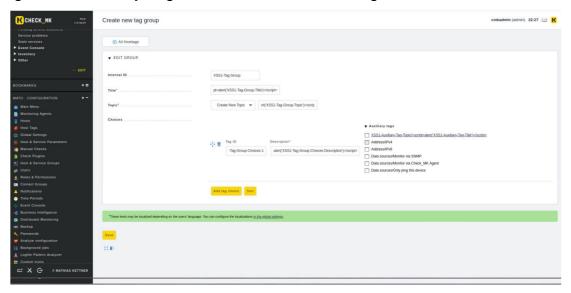
Location: WATO – Configuration → Tag Group → Create new/ Edit Tag Group

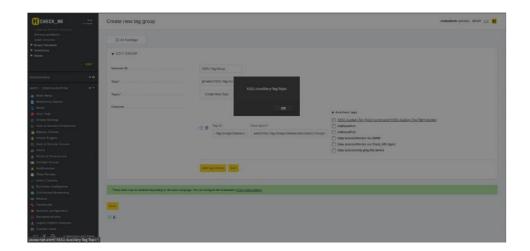
Vulnerability Type: STORED XSS

Payload:

Payload (parameter=Description): <script>alert('XSS1-Tag-Group-Choices-Description')</script>

By clicking on the "Auxiliary Tags" link, we have the following:

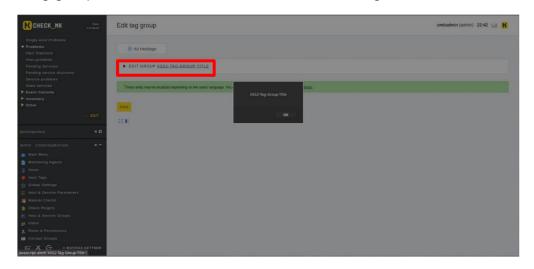




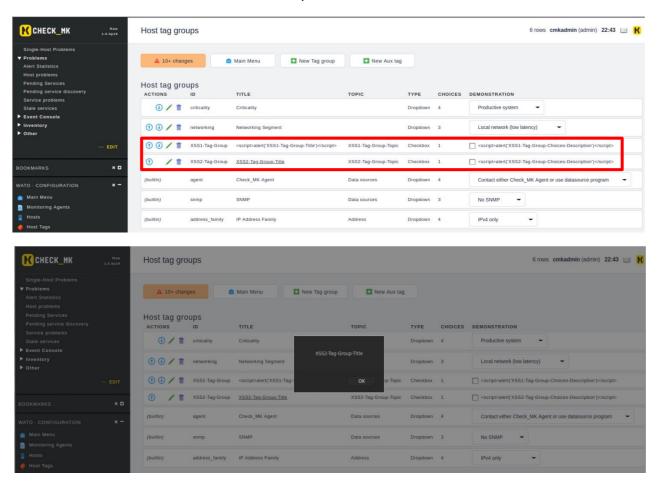
When we create a new tag group with all these payloads:

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Payload (parameter=title): <a href="javascript:alert('XSS2-Tag-Group-Title')">XSS2-Tag-Group-Title</a>
Payload (parameter=topic): <a href="javascript:alert('XSS2-Tag-Group-Topic')">XSS2-Tag-Group-Topic
Topic
Payload (parameter=description): <script>alert('XSS2-Tag-Group-Choices-Description')</script>
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By editing this tag group we can click on the link in the title and get an XSS:



In this view we can click on both title and topic:



In addition to what we just saw, when we put the second XSS in Tag-Group-Choices-Description, we get a STORED XSS. It should be noted that there must be at least two scripts (explained in more detail in the following paragraphs), being the first to be created, the graceful one to come out as a pop-up window. After creating two XSS the following ones also pop up as pop-ups.

The places where you can see this STORED XSS are:

Views [1]

Hosts = { All Host, All Hosts → Edit Views, All Hosts (Mini) → Edit Views, All Hosts (Tiled) → Edit Views, Favorite Hosts → Edit Views, Host Search, Host Search → Edit Views }

Host Groups = { Host Groups → Edit Views, Host Groups (Grid) → Edit Views }

Services = { All Services → Edit Views, Favorite Services → Edit Views, Recently Changed Services → Edit Views, Serv. By Host Groups → Edit Views, Service Check Durations → Edit Views, Service Search, Service Search → Edit Views, Unmonitored Services → Edit Views }

Services Groups = { Services By Groups → Edit Views }

Metrics = { Search Time Graphs \rightarrow Edit Views, Search Performance Data, Search Performance Data \rightarrow Edit Views }

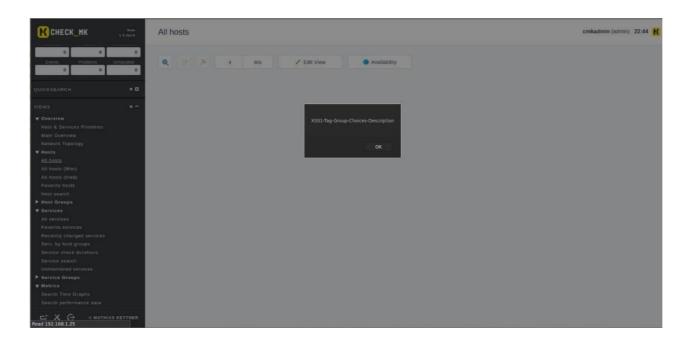
Business Intelligence = { Hostname Aggregations → Edit Views, Single Host Aggregations → Edit Views, Single Host Problems → Edit Views }

Problems = { Alert Statistics → Edit Views, Host Problems → Edit Views, Pending Services → Edit Views, Pending Services Discovery → Edit Views, Service Problems, Service Problems → Edit Views, Stale Services → Edit Views }

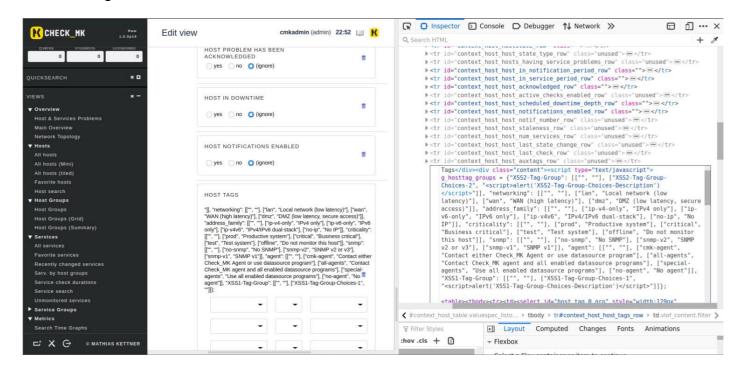
Event Console = { Events → Edit Views, Recent Event History → Edit Views}

Inventory = { Cpu Related Inventory Of All Hosts → Edit Views, all the Search + Edit Views, Switch Port Statistics, Switch Port Statistics → Edit Views}

Others = { Alert Handler Executions → Edit Views, Comments → Edit Views, Downtimes → Edit Views, Failed Notifications → Edit Views, History Of Scheduled Downtimes → Edit Views, Host And Service Events → Edit Views, Host And Service Notifications → Edit Views, Search Global Logfile → Edit Views }



This happens because when we create the first payload for description it goes to the tail at the end (see HTML code), while the second description closes the **cscript type="text/javascript"** and therefore we get this XSS.



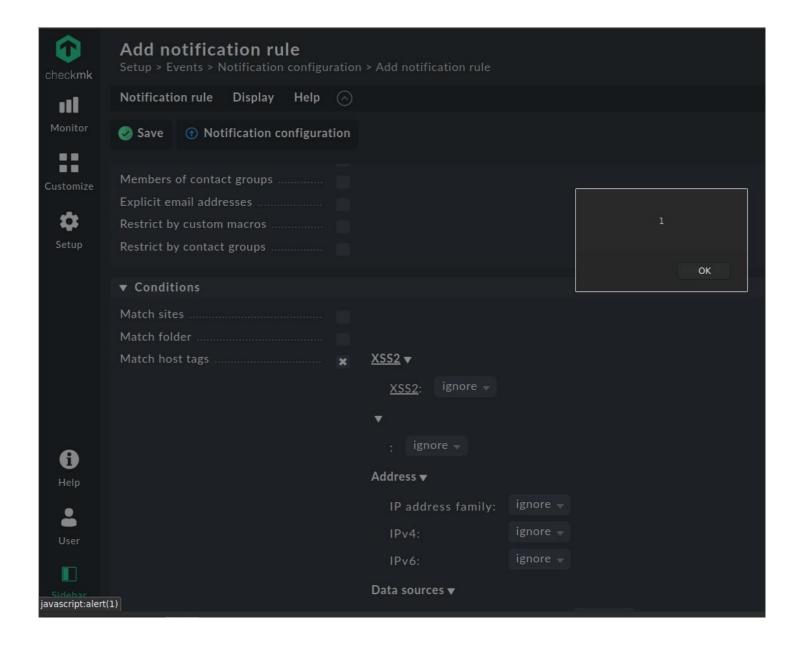
These are just a few examples of XSS, but there are many more and perhaps some of them have been overlooked. It is worth noting that most of the parameters that are injectable repeat the same payload pattern. The generic payloads are:

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Payload 1: <script>alert('XSS1-Generic')</script>
Payload 2: <a href="javascript:alert('XSS2-Generic')">XSS2-Generic</a>
Payload 3: <a href="javascript:alert('XSS3-Generic')">XSS3-Generic
Payload 4 (URLs): javascript:alert('XSS4-Generic')
Payload 5 (URLs): javascript:alert('XSS5-Generic')/
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In the attached annex we will show in a table all the parameters that have been checked for vulnerability and their location within the web application. Also, the action that must be performed to see the output of this XSS, note that some do not have to do any action, i.e., give the submit form (to create or edit) would be sufficient, and most of the time in which we must click on a link.

Finally, comment that although the screenshots provided are from version 1.5, the vulnerabilities described have also been detected in versions 1.6 and 2.0. As an example, we show a capture of a JavaScript execution associated with the XSS vulnerability in the "Title" and "Topic" parameter in the "Auxiliary Tags" section:





ANNEX: Vulnerability Summary

| ID | Section | Parameter | Payload | Action | Vuln type |
|---------|--|-------------|---|--|-------------------|
| Vuln-01 | WATO - Configuration → Host Tags → Auxiliary Tags → Create new Auxiliary tag | Title | <h1>Tag h1</h1> <h2>Tag h2</h2> Tag b Tag li inside Tag ul | None | HTML Injection |
| | | Topic | Tag a | None | HTML Injection |
| Vuln-02 | WATO - Configuration → Host Tags → Auxiliary Tags → Create new Auxiliary tag | Title | <pre><script>alert('XSS1-Auxiliary-Tag- Title')</script></pre> | Go to Notification – New or edit rule and Views [1] (all views) | Stored XSS |
| | | Topic | <pre>XSS1-Auxiliary- Tag-Topic</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| Vuln-03 | WATO – Configuration → Tag Group → Create new/ Edit Tag Group | Description | <pre><script>alert('XSS1-Tag-Group-Choices- Description')</script></pre> | Go to Notification – New or edit rule | Stored XSS |
| Vuln-04 | WATO – Configuration → Tag Group → Create new/ Edit Tag Group | Title | <pre>XSS2-Tag- Group- Title</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| | | Topic | <pre>XSS2-Tag- Group-Topic</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| | | Description | <pre><script>alert('XSS2-Tag-Group-Choices- Description')</script></pre> | Go to Notification – New or edit rule, and Views [1] (all views) | Stored XSS |

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|---------|--|--------------------------------------|---|---------------|------------------|
| | | Description | <pre>XSS1- Notification-Rule-Description</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| | | Comment | <pre>XSS1- Notification-Comment</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| | WATO - Configuration → | Document URL | <pre>javascript:alert("Notification-Rule- Documentation-URL")</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| Vuln-05 | Notifications → Notification configuration → New rule(button) | Restrict Numbers Notifications | <pre>XSS1-Notification- Conditions-Restrict-Num- Notifications</pre> | Click on link | Reflected XSS |
| | | Throttle Periodic Notifications | <pre>XSS1- Notification-Conditions-Throttle- Periodic-Notifications</pre> / a> | Click on link | Reflected XSS |
| Vuln-06 | WATO – Configuration → Host & Service Group → Service Group → Create/New service Group | Alias | <pre>XSS1-Service- Group-Alias</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| Vuln-07 | WATO – Configuration → Time Periods → create/edit new time period | Alias | <pre>xss1-time-period- alias</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| Vuln-08 | WATO –Configuration → Time Periods → Import iCalendar | Time horizon for repeated events | <pre>XSS1- iCalendar-Time- Horizon</pre> | Click on link | Reflected XSS |
| | | Use specific times | <pre>XSS1- iCalendar-Specific-Time</pre> | Click on link | Reflected XSS |

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|----|--|---------------|---|--------|-----------|
| | WATO – Configuration → Event console → rule packs (edit the rules in this pack - Button) | Text to match | <pre><script>alert('XSS1-NEW-RULE-Text-to- Match')</pre></td><td>None</td><td>Stored XSS</td></tr><tr><td rowspan=4>Vuln-09</td><td>Description</td><td><pre> 'XSS1-NEW-RULE- Description</pre></td><td>Click on link</td><td>Stored XSS</td></tr><tr><td>Documentation URL</td><td><pre>javascript:alert('XSS1-NEW-RULE- Documentation-URL')</pre></td><td>Click on icon link (in Chrome)</td><td>Stored XSS</td></tr><tr><td>Count messages in defined interval</td><td><pre> 'XSS1- NEW-RULE-Count-Messages-Interval </pre></td><td>Click on error link</td><td>Reflected XSS</td></tr><tr><td>Expected regular messages</td><td><pre> 'XSS1-NEW-RULE-Expected-Regular- Messages</pre></td><td>Click on error link</td><td>Reflected XSS</td></tr><tr><td rowspan=2>Vuln-10</td><td rowspan=2>WATO – Configuration → Event Console → Generate Event</td><td>Message text</td><td><pre>XSS1-Event- Simulator-Message-Text</pre></td><td>Click on link</td><td>Stored XSS</td></tr><tr><td>Application name</td><td><pre>XSS1-Event- Simulator-App-Name</pre></td><td>Click on link</td><td>Stored XSS</td></tr><tr><td>Vuln-11</td><td>WATO – Configuration → Event Console →Event Console Rule Packages →Rule Packs</td><td>Title</td><td><pre>XSS1-Rule-Pack-Title</pre></td><td>Click on link</td><td>Stored XSS</td></tr><tr><td>Vuln-12</td><td>WATO – Configuration → Users → Create New / Edit User</td><td>Full Name/Alias</td><td><pre>XSS1-User-Alias</pre></td><td>Click on link</td><td>Stored XSS</td></tr><tr><td>Vuln-13</td><td>WATO – Configuration → Roles & Permissions → Copy / Edit Role</td><td>Alias</td><td><pre>XSS1-Role-Alias</pre></td><td>Click on link</td><td>Stored XSS</td></tr></tbody></table></script></pre> | | |

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| Vuln-14 | WATO – Configuration → Contact Groups → Create New/Edit Contact Group | Alias | <pre>XSS1-Contact- Group-Alias</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| Vuln-15 | WATO – Configuration → Users → Custom Attribute (Button) → Edit/New User Attribute | Title | <pre>XSS1-User-Attribute- Title</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| | WATO – Configuration → Users → LDAP Connection (Button) → Edit/New User LDAP Connection | Description | <pre>XSS1- LDAP-Connection-Description</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| Vuln-16 | | Documentation URL | <pre>javascript:alert('XSS1-LDAP- Connection-Documentation-URL')</pre> | Click on icon link | Stored XSS |
| | | LDAP Server | <pre><script>alert('XSS1-LDAP-Connection- LDAP-Server')</pre></td><td>Submit Save & Test (Button)</td><td>Reflected XSS</td></tr><tr><td>Failover Server</td><td><pre><script>alert('XSS1-LDAP-Connection- Failover-Servers')</pre></td><td>Submit Save & Test (Button)</td><td>Reflected XSS</td></tr><tr><td>TCP port</td><td><pre>XSS1-LDAP- Connection-TCP-Port</pre></td><td>Click on error link</td><td>Reflected XSS</td></tr><tr><td>Connect Timeout</td><td><pre>XSS1- LDAP-Connection-TCP-Port</pre></td><td>Click on error link</td><td>Reflected XSS</td></tr><tr><td>Page size</td><td><pre>XSS1- LDAP-Connection-Page-Size</pre></td><td>Click on error link</td><td>Reflected XSS</td></tr><tr><td>Response Timeout</td><td><pre>XSS1-LDAP-Connection- Response-Timeout</pre></td><td>Click on error link</td><td>Reflected XSS</td></tr><tr><td>Vuln-17</td><td>Wato – Configuration → Business Intelligence → Edit/Create New Bi Pack</td><td>Title</td><td>XSS1-BI-Pack</td><td>Click on link</td><td>Stored XSS</td></tr></tbody></table></script></pre> | | |

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|---------|--|---------------------------|--|---------------------|------------------|
| Vuln-18 | Wato – Configuration → Distributed Monitoring → Edit/New Site Connection | Alias | <pre>XSS1- NEW-SITE-CONNECTION-ALIAS</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| | | Connection via TCP – Host | <pre>XSS1-NEW-SITE-CONNECTION- LIVESTATUS-SETTINGS-HOST</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| | | Connection via TCP – Port | <pre>XSS1-NEW-SITE-CONNECTION- LIVESTATUS-SETTINGS-HOST- PORT</pre> | Click on error link | Reflected XSS |
| | | Connect Timeout | <pre>XSS1-NEW- SITE-CONNECTION-TIMEOUT</pre> / a> | Click on error link | Reflected XSS |
| | | URL prefix | <pre>javascript:alert('XSS1-NEW-SITE- CONNECTION-URL')/</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| Vuln-19 | WATO – Configuration → Backup → Edit/New Backup Job | Title | <pre>xss1-backup-job-title</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| Vuln-20 | WATO – Configuration → Backup →New Target | Title | <pre>backup-target- title</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| Vuln-21 | WATO – Configuration → Backup → Keys For Backups (Button) | Description | <pre>create-backup-key-description</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| Vuln-22 | WATO – Configuration → Passwords → Edit/New Password | Title | <pre>xss1-password</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| Vuln-23 | | Description | <pre></pre> | | |

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| | | | <pre>Decription')">XSS1-Logwatch- Patterns-Decription</pre> | | |
| | | | <pre>XSS1- Logwatch-Patterns-Comment</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| | WATO – Configuration → | Documentation -URL | <pre>javascript:alert('XSS1- Logwatch- Patterns-Documentation-URL')</pre> | Click on icon link (in Chrome) | Stored XSS |
| | Logfile Pattern Analyzer → Edit Logfile Rules (Button) → Create Rule In Folder (Button) | Value – Pattern(Regex) | <pre>XSS1- Logwatch-Patterns- Value-Regex</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| | | Conditions – Explicit hosts | <pre>XSS1-Logwatch-Patterns- Conditions-Explicit-Hosts</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| | | Conditions - Logfile | <pre>XSS1-Logwatch-Patterns- Conditions- Logfile</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| | Sidebar (Bookmarks - Bookmark Lists) → Edit / New Bookmark List | Title | <pre>XSS1-BOOKMARK- LIST-TITLE</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| Viole 24 | | Description | <pre>XSS1- BOOKMARK-LIST-DESCRIPTION</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| Vuln-24 | | Topic | <pre>XSS1-BOOKMARK- LIST-TOPIC</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| | | Topic - Title | <pre>XSS1- BOOKMARK-LIST-TOPIC-TITLE</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| Vuln-25 | Views → Edit / Create Views Section | Title | <pre>XSS1-CREATE-VIEW- TITLE</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |

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|---------|---|-----------------------|---|---------------|------------------|
| | | Topic | <pre>XSS1-CREATE-VIEW- TOPIC</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| | | Description | <pre>XSS1- CREATE-VIEW-DESCRIPTION</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| Vuln-26 | Views → Edit Views → Dashboards (Button) → Edit Dashboards | Title | <pre>XSS1-Dashboard- Title</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| | | Topic | <pre>XSS1-Dashboard- Topic</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| | | Description | <pre>XSS1- Dashboard-Description</pre> | Click on link | Stored XSS |
| Vuln-27 | Wato – Configuration → Monitoring Agents → Agents AndPlugins → Button (Release Notes) Check_MK 1.5.0p19 Release Notes | Show Number of Groups | <pre>XSS1-Show-Number- Groups</pre> | Click on link | Reflected XSS |