

Web Application Security Testing Report

Tester Details

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Tools Used: OWASP ZAP, Burp Suite, SQLMap

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Application Tested: Sample Web Application

Executive Summary

This report summarizes a security test conducted on a sample web application. Manual and automated techniques were used to uncover vulnerabilities such as SQL Injection (SQLi), Cross-Site Scripting (XSS), and authentication issues. Multiple risks were identified and confirmed via tools like Burp Suite and SQLMap.

Methodology

1. Reconnaissance - App mapping using OWASP ZAP spider
2. Input Fuzzing - Manual fuzzing with Burp Suite Intruder
3. Exploit Testing - SQLMap and Burp used to verify exploits
4. Analysis - Results validated with screenshots and logs

Tools Used

- OWASP ZAP: Vulnerability scanning and spidering
- Burp Suite: Manual attack testing and interception
- SQLMap: SQLi automated testing and exploitation

Key Findings

1. SQL Injection (High Severity)

Vulnerable Input: Login Form

Payload Used: ' OR '1'='1

Tool Used: SQLMap

Impact: Bypass authentication, data exposure

Mitigation:

- Use parameterized queries
- Sanitize inputs with server-side validation

2. Reflected XSS (Medium Severity)

Vulnerable Page: /search?q=

Payload Used: <script>alert("XSS")</script>

Tool Used: Burp Suite

Impact: JavaScript execution in victim's browser

Mitigation:

- Input/output encoding
- Implement CSP headers

3. Weak Authentication (Low Severity)

Issue: Accepted "admin:admin" and weak passwords

Testing Method: Manual brute-force

Mitigation:

- Enforce strong password policy
- Enable account lockout mechanism

Recommendations

- SQL Injection: Sanitize inputs and use ORM/PreparedStatement
- XSS: Output encode, apply CSP, and input validation
- Authentication: Enforce strong password policy + 2FA
- Session Management: Use HttpOnly, Secure, and rotate session IDs

Conclusion

The application is vulnerable to multiple OWASP Top 10 issues. The team is advised to implement security controls as outlined and regularly perform penetration tests. A detailed review of the codebase and secure SDLC practices is strongly recommended.

Appendix: Test Evidence (Screenshots)





