Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Welcome to the CTF competition! We're excited to see you put your cybersecurity skills to the test. Here are some answers to frequently asked questions:

General

- **What is a Capture the Flag (CTF) competition?**

  A CTF is a cybersecurity competition where participants compete by solving challenges that involve finding and exploiting vulnerabilities in simulated systems. The goal is to be the first team (or individual) to "capture the flag," which is usually a hidden piece of text or data.

- **What are the different types of challenges?**

  CTF challenges come in many forms, but some common categories include: **Web:** Finding vulnerabilities in web applications. **Crypto:** Decoding messages or breaking ciphers. **Forensics:** Analysing data to uncover hidden information. **Steganography:** Finding hidden messages within images or files. **Binary Exploitation:** Exploiting vulnerabilities in software code. **Miscellaneous:** Challenges that don't fit neatly into any other category.

- **How do I find the challenges?**

  Challenges will be presented on the competition platform itself. Look for categories, descriptions, and any hints that might be provided.

Scoring

- **How are points awarded?**

  Points are typically awarded based on the difficulty of the challenge. Harder challenges will be worth more points.

- **Is there a time limit?**

  Yes, the competition will have a set time limit. Make sure to manage your time effectively to solve as many challenges as possible.

- **What is the scoreboard for?**

  The scoreboard shows the current ranking of participants based on their total score.

Getting Help

- **Can I work with others?**

  This depends on the competition format. Some competitions allow individual and team participation. Check the competition rules for details.

- **I'm stuck on a challenge. What should I do?**

  Don't be discouraged! CTF challenges are designed to be difficult. Here are some tips: Take a break and come back to the challenge later with fresh eyes. Discuss the challenge with other participants (if allowed). Search online forums or communities for similar challenges and solutions (be careful not to spoil the challenge for yourself!).

- **Is there any technical support available?**

  For technical issues with the competition platform, you can contact the organizers through the provided channels. However, the organizers might not be able to provide help with solving the challenges themselves.

  We hope this FAQ helps you get started! Remember, the most important thing is to have fun and learn something new. Good luck!

Certificate

- **When will I get the certificate?**

  Your Participation certificate will auto generate after the competition has ended. The participation certificate will only generate if you have completed at least one challenge.

- **I cannot see my certificate. What to do?**

  There can be two situations in which your certificate may not have been generated.