

## No limit in email length may result in a possible DOS attack in ikus060/rdiffweb



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### Description

As per RFC the maximum length allowed for an email address is 255 characters. However, rdiffweb don't validate email length, so you can add email addresses that exceed 255 characters. Through this, if you sign up for an email with a length of 1 million or more and log in, withdraw, or change your email, the server may cause DOS due to overload.

### Proof of Concept

Go to <https://rdiffweb-demo.ikus-soft.com/prefs/general>

You can now change the email associated with your account from this endpoint

Set a very long email that exceeds 1000 characters

You will see that the long email is readily accepted and there is no fixed length for this user input parameter

Mitigation: The email parameter must have a specific user input length

### Impact

An attacker can store a large email address as per his requirement which will possibly lead to a DOS attack / Buffer Overflow

### Occurrences



config.py L112-L164

### References

- [Hackerone Report](#)

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## CVE

CVE-2022-3272

(Published)

## Vulnerability Type

CWE-130: Improper Handling of Length Parameter Inconsistency

## Severity

Medium (5.3)

## Registry

Other

## Affected Version

2.4.6

## Visibility

Public

## Status

Fixed

## Found by



nehalr777

@nehalr777

master ▼

## Fixed by



Patrik Dufresne

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This report was seen 748 times.

We are processing your report and will contact the **ikus060/rdiffweb** team within 24 hours.  
2 months ago

Patrik Dufresne assigned a CVE to this report 2 months ago

Patrik Dufresne validated this vulnerability 2 months ago

nehalr777 has been awarded the disclosure bounty ✓

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The fix bounty is now up for grabs

The researcher's credibility has increased: +7

We have sent a fix follow up to the **ikus060/rdiffweb** team. We will try again in 7 days.  
2 months ago

**Patrik Dufresne** marked this as fixed in **2.4.8** with commit **667657** 2 months ago

**Patrik Dufresne** has been awarded the fix bounty ✓

This vulnerability will not receive a CVE ✗

**config.py#L112-L164** has been validated ✓

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