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"protected" members

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Multiple variables should not be declared on the same line

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String literals should not be duplicated

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Unused "using" should be removed

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Creating cookies without the "secure" flag is security-sensitive

Analyze your code

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When a cookie is protected with the `secure` attribute set to `true` it will not be send by the browser over an unencrypted HTTP request and thus cannot be observed by an unauthorized person during a man-in-the-middle attack.

Ask Yourself Whether

- the cookie is for instance a *session-cookie* not designed to be sent over non-HTTPS communication.
- it's not sure that the website contains **mixed content** or not (ie HTTPS everywhere or not)

There is a risk if you answered yes to any of those questions.

Recommended Secure Coding Practices

- It is recommended to use `HTTps` everywhere so setting the `secure` flag to `true` should be the default behaviour when creating cookies.
- Set the `secure` flag to `true` for session-cookies.

Sensitive Code Example

When the `HttpCookie.Secure` property is set to `false` then the cookie will be send during an unencrypted HTTP request:

```
HttpCookie myCookie = new HttpCookie("Sensitive cookie");
myCookie.Secure = false; // Sensitive: a security-sensitive
```

The **default value** of `Secure` flag is `false`, unless overwritten by an application's configuration file:

```
HttpCookie myCookie = new HttpCookie("Sensitive cookie");
// Sensitive: a security-sensitive cookie is created with t
```

Compliant Solution

Set the `HttpCookie.Secure` property to `true`:

```
HttpCookie myCookie = new HttpCookie("Sensitive cookie");
myCookie.Secure = true; // Compliant
```

Or change the default flag values for the whole application by editing the **Web.config configuration file**:

```
<httpCookies httpOnlyCookies="true" requireSSL="true" />
```

- the `requireSSL` attribute corresponds programmatically to the `Secure` field.
- the `httpOnlyCookies` attribute corresponds programmatically to the `httpOnly` field.

A close curly brace should be located at the beginning of a line

 Code Smell

Tabulation characters should not be used

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Methods and properties should be named in PascalCase

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Track uses of in-source issue suppressions

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- [OWASP Top 10 2021 Category A4](#) - Insecure Design
- [OWASP Top 10 2021 Category A5](#) - Security Misconfiguration
- [OWASP Top 10 2017 Category A3](#) - Sensitive Data Exposure
- [MITRE, CWE-311](#) - Missing Encryption of Sensitive Data
- [MITRE, CWE-315](#) - Cleartext Storage of Sensitive Information in a Cookie
- [MITRE, CWE-614](#) - Sensitive Cookie in HTTPS Session Without 'Secure' Attribute
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