

Web Application Security Assessment Report

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Target Application: OWASP Juice Shop (Intentionally Vulnerable App)

Task Summary

This task is based on performing a vulnerability assessment on a deliberately vulnerable web application, to try and obtain vulnerabilities of the top 10 OWASP vulnerabilities. This task will be done on isolated environments (docker container). Each vulnerability is to be documented, tested and validated using ethical hacking tools.

Tools Used:

- ➤ Kali Linux
- OWASP juice shop
- Nikto
- ➤ OWAS ZAP

Procedure

- ➤ The OWASP Juice Shop was simulated on a docker container running locally on the kali virtual machine. This was also done to practise doing vulnerability testing locally.
- The application running locally was designated as the target system for both automated scanning and manual security testing using OWASP ZAP & Nikto.
- ➤ OWASP ZAP performed active scanning to identify input fields, user interactions, and potential vulnerabilities within the application.
- ➤ Nikto performed reconnaissance on the OWASP Juice shop, and it exposed leaked files and directories with sensitive information
- ➤ All identified vulnerabilities were analysed and mapped to the corresponding categories in the OWASP Top 10 framework, and mitigation measures were recommended to address the vulnerabilities.

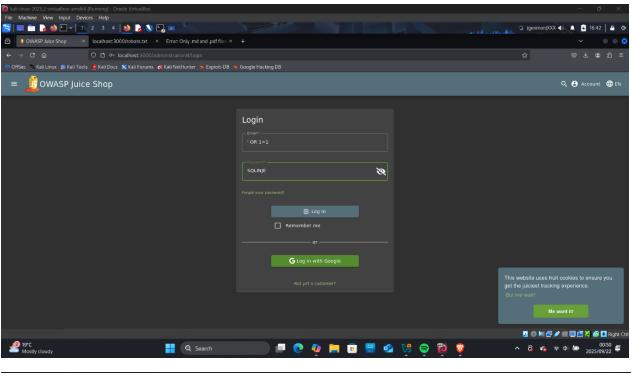
Identified Vulnerabilities

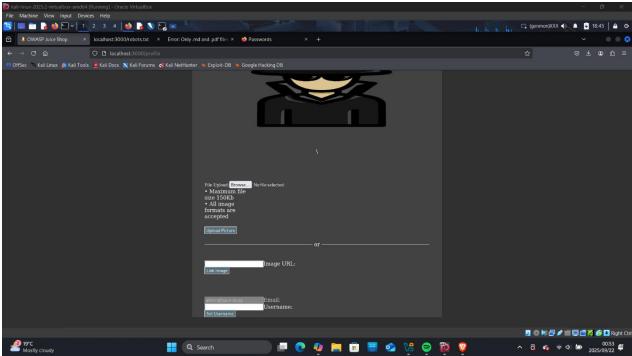
1. Broken Authentication - A01:2021 - Broken Access Control

After attempting to check the login field vulnerability for SQL Injection by injecting the code 'OR 1=1--, the system allowed us to gain access to the administrator profile. This is a big issue as the administrator account could have higher privileges and that would give a threat actor an upper hand.

➤ Impact: Full compromise of sensitive data and administrative functionality.

- ➤ Risk Rating: High
- > Screenshot:



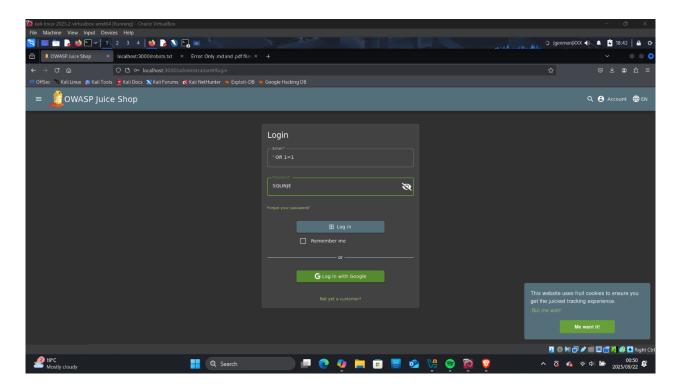


- ➤ Mitigation Strategies:
 - o Implement Parameterized Queries
 - o Enforce Input Validation
 - o Apply Least Privilege to Database Accounts.

2. SQL Injection – A03:2021 - Injection

It has been determined in the above context that this application has a SQL injection vulnerability on the login form fields, which this can allow the threat actor to access admin account and possibly gain access to the database.

- ➤ Impact: Attacker can force the application to expose the database.
- > Risk Rating: Medium
- > Screenshot:

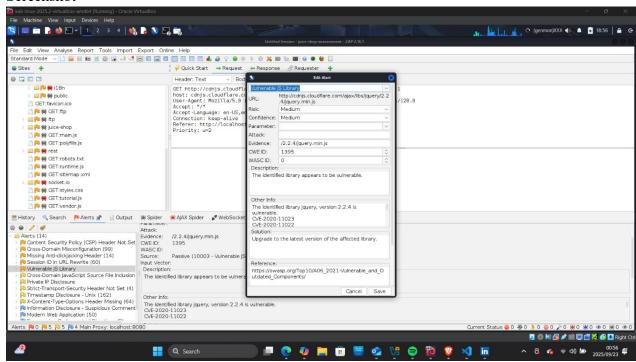


- ➤ Mitigation strategies:
 - Use parameterized queries
 - Validate and sanitize all user input
 - o Deploy web application firewall

3. Outdated JavaScript Library – AO6:2021 – Vulnerable & Outdated Components

After the OWASP ZAP performed the reconnaissance on the web application, it reported that the OWASP Juice Shop has outdated JavaScript libraries, which can introduce vulnerabilities into the system. Allowing the threat actors to exploit them.

- ➤ Impact: Attackers can exploit the vulnerabilities introduced by the outdated component
- > Risk rating: medium
- > Screenshot



> Mitigation strategies:

- Use dependency scanners
- Keep libraries updated
- Remove unused dependencies

OWASP Top 10 Mapping

Vulnerability	OWASP Top 10(2021)	Risk Rating
Broken access control	A01: Broken Access Control	High
SQL injection	A03: Injection	Medium
Outdated JavaScript Library	A06: Vulnerable & Outdated Components	Medium

Conclusion

Performing the vulnerability assessment on this application has revealed great vulnerabilities which can lead to breach or a compromised system. It is better to implement security measures, fix patches and regular updates.