

AUDIT REPORT

Choice Exchange
Choice Contracts

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Introduction

SCV has been engaged by Choice Exchange to conduct a comprehensive security review with the goal of identifying potential security threats and vulnerabilities within the codebase. The purpose of this audit is to evaluate the security posture of the codebase and provide actionable recommendations to mitigate any identified risks. This report presents an overview of the findings from our security audit, outlining areas of concern and proposing effective measures to enhance the codebase's security.

Scope Functionality

The scope for this report includes the following:

- choice_factory: This contract allows users to create choice_pair contracts as AMM pools and records their address in the state.
- choice_pair: This contract facilitates liquidity pools and swaps between two assets in Injective. It is responsible for handling liquidity provision, swaps, and queries while integrating with Injective-specific modules.
- choice_router: This contract facilitates multi-hop swap operations across several choice_pair contracts.
- choice_send_to_auction: This contract facilitates sending CW20 and native tokens to the Injective burn auction subaccount by integrating with <u>Injective's CW20 adapter contract</u>.

Submitted Codebase

Choice Exchange		
Repository	https://github.com/choice-exchange/choice_exchange	
Commit	54f844c7bf5c33c37904109f7ec64b26138b6fe2	
Branch	main	



Methodologies

SCV performs a combination of automated and manual security testing based on the scope of testing. The testing performed is based on the extensive experience and knowledge of the auditor to provide the greatest coverage and value to Choice Exchange. Testing includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Understanding the application and its functionality purpose.
- Deploying SCV in-house tooling to automate dependency analysis and static code review.
- Analyse each line of the code base and inspect application security perimeter.
- Review underlying infrastructure technologies and supply chain security posture.



Code Criteria

This section provides an evaluation of specific criteria aspects as described below:

- **Documentation:** Evaluating the presence and comprehensiveness of publicly available or provided explanatory information, diagram flowcharts, comments, and supporting documents to enhance code understanding.
- **Coverage:** Evaluating whether the code adequately addresses all necessary cases and scenarios, ensuring that the intended functionality or requirements are sufficiently covered.
- **Readability:** Assessing how easily the code can be understood and maintained, considering factors such as code structure, naming conventions, and overall organisation.
- **Complexity:** Evaluating the complexity of the code, including factors such as, number of lines, conditional statements, and nested structures.

The status of each criteria is categorised as either **SUFFICIENT** or **NOT-SUFFICIENT** based on the audit assessment. This categorisation provides insights to identify areas that may require further attention and improvement.

Criteria	Status	Notes
Documentation	SUFFICIENT	Documentations are provided in the README files.
Coverage	SUFFICIENT	cargo 11vm-cov reports a line coverage of 94.40% (8276/8767).
Readability	SUFFICIENT	The codebase had good readability overall and utilised many Rust and CosmWasm best practices.
Complexity	SUFFICIENT	N/A



Findings Summary

Summary Title	Risk Impact	Status
Funds sent for verifying native token decimals can be stolen	MODERATE	PENDING
Incorrect refund asset event emitted for CW20 tokens	LOW	PENDING
Addresses and subaccounts are not validated	LOW	PENDING
Potential incorrect lp_amount value emitted	INFO	PENDING
Two-step ownership transfer is not implemented	INFO	PENDING
Misleading error message	INFO	PENDING
Duplicate message interface	INFO	PENDING
Miscellaneous code quality improvements	INFO	PENDING



Findings Technical Details

Funds sent for verifying native token decimals can be stolen

RISK IMPACT: MODERATE STATUS: PENDING

Description

The execute_add_native_token_decimals function in contracts/choice_factory/src/contract.rs:244-249 attempts to record native tokens' decimal values into the ALLOW_NATIVE_TOKENS state after verifying its existence by checking the contract's balance. This means that the caller must tokens first before send native to the contract calling the execute add native token decimals function.

The issue is that once the funds are sent to the contract, there is no entry point to withdraw them. This is problematic because it allows malicious actors to steal funds by specifying the native token amount in the CreatePair message, causing them to be sent the choice_pair contract in contracts/choice_factory/src/contract.rs:349. After that, the actor will call WithdrawLiquidity with the LP tokens minted in contracts/choice_factory/src/contract.rs:378, eventually receiving the funds sent for the execute_add_native_token_decimals function.

Recommendation

Consider implementing a refund mechanism for the contract owner to withdraw the native tokens.



2. Incorrect refund asset event emitted for CW2D tokens

RISK IMPACT: LOW STATUS: PENDING

Description

The provide_liquidity function in contracts/choice_pair/src/contract.rs:366 emits the "refund_assets" action to indicate the funds are refunded to the user when they have provided excess liquidity.

However, the calculation in contracts/choice_pair/src/contract.rs:301-325 incorrectly computes the refund amount if the sent asset is a CW20 token. For native tokens, funds are sent along with the transaction, and if an excess amount is refunded the remaining amount to the contracts/choice_pair/src/contract.rs:327-333. This scenario is different for CW20 tokens, as the exact amount is taken directly with the Cw20ExecuteMsg::TransferFrom message in contracts/choice_pair/src/contract.rs:334-344, which means sending excess amounts of CW20 tokens is not possible.

As a result, the refund_assets variable will indicate that the contract has refunded excess CW20 tokens to the user, which is incorrect.

Recommendation

Consider setting the remain_amount to zero in contracts/choice_pair/src/contract.rs:324 if the asset is a CW20 token.



3. Addresses and subaccounts are not validated

Description

In a few instances of the codebase, validations are not performed on the addresses and subaccounts:

- msg.admin and msg.adapter_contract should be validated as valid addresses with the deps.api.addr_validate function in contracts/choice_send_to_auction/src/contract.rs:41-42.
- admin should be validated as a valid address with the deps.api.addr_validate function in contracts/choice_send_to_auction/src/contract.rs:137.
- msg.burn_auction_subaccount can be validated with SubaccountId::new, similar to contracts/choice_send_to_auction/src/contract.rs:29.

Recommendation

Consider adding validation to the instances above.



4. Potential incorrect lp_amount value emitted

RISK IMPACT: INFORMATIONAL STATUS: PENDING

Description

In contracts/choice_pair/src/contract.rs:518, the lp_amount variable represents the fee amount for liquidity providers after deducting the fee_wallet_amount and burn_amount, which are distributed in contracts/choice_pair/src/contract.rs:528-571.

The issue is that the lp_amount variable is currently computed as $\frac{2}{3}$ of the total_fee directly, which will be truncated due to integer rounding. As a result, the "pool_amount" key will emit an incorrect value in line 587.

Recommendation

Consider computing the lp_amount variable as total_fee - fee_wallet_amount - burn_amount.



5. Two-step ownership transfer is not implemented

RISK IMPACT: INFORMATIONAL STATUS: PENDING

Description

The codebase does not implement two-step ownership transfer in contracts/choice_factory/src/contract.rs:97 and contracts/choice_send_to_auction/src/contract.rs:137.

Using a two-step ownership transfer mechanism helps provide a window of opportunity for the current owner to cancel the transfer if they did not intend to initiate it or if any unintended actions occurred.

As a result, ownership will be lost and cannot be recovered if transferred to an incorrect address that belongs to no one.

Recommendation

Consider implementing a two-step ownership transfer that proposes a new owner in the first step and requires the proposed owner to accept it as the second step.



6. Misleading error message

RISK IMPACT: INFORMATIONAL STATUS: PENDING

Description

The execute_add_native_token_decimals function in contracts/choice_factory/src/contract.rs:233 returns an error of "unauthorized: sender does not match owner in denom" if the caller is not the denom owner or the contract owner. This is misleading because the error message does not include the scenario where the caller is not the contract owner.

Recommendation

Consider modifying the error message to include the scenario where the caller is not the contract owner, such as "unauthorized: sender does not match owner in denom and contract owner".



7. Duplicate message interface

RISK IMPACT: INFORMATIONAL STATUS: PENDING

Description

The SendNative message is implemented in the BurnManagerMsg enum in contracts/choice_pair/src/contract.rs:442. However, this message interface is incomplete and should use the correct interface defined in packages/choice/src/send_to_auction.rs:16-20.

Recommendation

Consider removing the BurnManagerMsg enum and importing the ExecuteMsg enum from packages/choice/src/send_to_auction.rs:16-20.



8. Miscellaneous code quality improvements

RISK IMPACT: INFORMATIONAL STATUS: PENDING

Description

The following code line illustrates instances where code quality can be improved:

- The burn_handler_address variable can be declared outside the if-else statement in contracts/choice_pair/src/contract.rs:536 and contracts/choice_pair/src/contract.rs:549 to prevent duplicate code.
- The optional_addr_validate validation for the to parameter in contracts/choice_router/src/contract.rs:85 is not required because the validation is already performed in the ExecuteSwapOperations entry points (contracts/choice_router/src/contract.rs:70 and contracts/choice_router/src/contract.rs:135).
- A break statement can be added in the for loop in contracts/choice_pair/src/contract.rs:171-177 when authorized = true to reduce gas consumption.
- A typo of minium_receive is found in the assert_minimum_receive function in contracts/choice_router/src/contract.rs:206. It should be modified into minimum_receive.
- The add_message function should be used instead of add_messages in contracts/choice_router/src/operations.rs:68, as the number of messages to dispatch is only one.
- The subaccount_id variable can be declared outside the if-else statement
 in contracts/choice_send_to_auction/src/contract.rs:185 and
 contracts/choice_send_to_auction/src/contract.rs:221 to prevent
 duplicate code.

Recommendation

Consider applying the recommendations above.



Document Control

Version	Date	Notes
-	30th March 2025	Security audit commencement date.
0.1	25th April 2025	Initial report with identified findings delivered.
0.5	-	Fixes remediations implemented and reviewed.
1.0	-	Audit completed, final report delivered.



Appendices

A. Appendix - Risk assessment methodology

SCV-Security employs a risk assessment methodology to evaluate vulnerabilities and identified issues. This approach involves the analysis of both the LIKELIHOOD of a security incident occurring and the potential IMPACT if such an incident were to happen. For each vulnerability, SCV-Security calculates a risk level on a scale of 5 to 1, where 5 denotes the highest likelihood or impact. Consequently, an overall risk level is derived from combining these two factors, resulting in a value from 10 to 1, with 10 signifying the most elevated level of security risk

Risk Level	Range
CRITICAL	10
SEVERE	From 9 to 8
MODERATE	From 7 to 6
LOW	From 5 to 4
INFORMATIONAL	From 3 to 1

LIKELIHOOD and **IMPACT** would be individually assessed based on the below:

Rate	LIKELIHOOD	IMPACT
5	Extremely Likely	Could result in severe and irreparable consequences.
4	Likely	May lead to substantial impact or loss.
3	Possible	Could cause partial impact or loss on a wide scale.
2	Unlikely	Might cause temporary disruptions or losses.
1	Rare	Could have minimal or negligible impact.



B. Appendix - Report Disclaimer

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