
AngryTeenagers by EcoMint

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1.0 / 06.12.2022	Final version
1.1 / 17.04.2022	Reassessing changes to fix bugs. Assessing deployed mainnet contracts.



Summary

Inference AG was engaged by the Tezos Foundation to perform an independent security assessment of AngryTeenagers by EcoMint.

Inference AG performed the security assessment based on the agreed scope, following our approach and activities as outlined in the “[Project overview](#)” chapter between the 3rd of October 2022 and the 06th of December 2022. Feedback from EcoMint was received and Inference performed a follow-up assessment.

Based on our scope and our performed activities, our initial security assessment revealed several security issues. Additionally, different observations were made, which if resolved with appropriate actions, may improve the quality of AngryTeenagers.

Based on our activities in our follow-up assessment, we only list security issues and observations in this report which have not yet been resolved by EcoMint.

In April 2023, we reviewed the changes to the smart contract in order to fix some bugs by EcoMint. Furthermore, we also assessed deployed smart contracts on Mainnet. Based on our activities, we have not discovered any security issues or observations.

Overview on issues and observations

Details for each reported issue or observation can be obtained from the “[Security issues](#)” and “[Observations](#)” sections.

Row header	Severity / Status
Security issues	
There are no open known security issues.	
Observations	
O-EAT-001: allow list and pre allowlist	- / open
O-EAT-002: Fund redirects	- / open



Project overview

Scope

The scope of the security assessment was the following set of smart contracts and the included SmartPy files in order to build the smart contract defined in the corresponding compilation target:

- NFT: main/nft_main.py
- sale: main/sale_main.py
- DAO: main/dao_main.py
- opt_out_voting: main/opt_out_voting_main.py
- majority_voting: main/majority_voting_main.py

All files in scope were made available via a source code repo:

“<https://github.com/eco-mint/angry-teenagers-contracts>” and our initial security assessment considered commit “3387081697272d876f4ca945b91095e5b5cb42ca”.

Additionally, we also had access to the following documentation in order to build up our understanding for the smart contract in scope:

- doc/Angry_Teenagers_DAO_contracts.pdf
- doc/Angry_Teenagers_NFT_and_sale_contracts.pdf

Our reassessment considered commit:

“896801a9b077f07871a77891832de6b370d46536”

Our reassessment in April 2023 considered commit:

45af9233fb0c85c53ecab47658f551190a62436f and the following deployed smart contracts on Tezos Mainnet:

- [KT1SeAGLZJQoXd2Qc3jbV6ddpFvWP9UY7vxq](#) for NFT
- [KT1MXcz2Uw2UXAkxjLLy2Z37MxDk4sfaKvty](#) for sale
- [KT1ABmuaZjRizQn4ZfdwDHF9Rn2UoXeqkKia](#) for DAO
- [KT1UiSy3WTLqWsYQLri3UmbxVQd65o6qMsrE](#) for opt_out_voting_main
- [KT1ELDcwh28FiToEbGcA4qzenwLoBP9Lbk4c](#) for majority_voting_main
- [KT1Mp7ium9TeNZVR1NecRSED7WYWsEMbheh9](#) for majority_voting_main (opt)



Scope limitations

Our security assessment is based on the following key assumptions and scope limitations:

- Any potential adversarial activities conducted by the administrator of the contract or operational errors by administrators were out of scope.
- Key management of associated secret keys has not been assessed.
- Content of metadata and token metadata was out of scope. For instance: any off-chain views have not been assessed.
- Claims, implied by the use of the word DAO in the project's name, regarding the decentralised nature of the protocol/platform were out of scope.

Methodology

Inference's methodology for smart contract security assessments on Tezos is a combination of a source code review of the smart contract source code in the high-level language (e.g. Ligo or SmartPy), and the resulting compiled code in Michelson. This approach provides additional assurance that the compiler producing the Michelson code is correct, and does not introduce any security issues. Furthermore, this approach fosters a better understanding for smart contract users of what has been reviewed and what has been effectively deployed on-chain.

In order to ensure a high quality in our security assessments, Inference is using subject matter experts having a high adversarial scenario mindset to spot potential issues in smart contracts under review. Additionally, we apply checklists derived from good practices and commonly known issues based on the [Tezos smart contract assessment checklist](#) to document our work and to ensure good issue coverage.

Furthermore, Inference maintains regular communications with the smart contract development team to ensure a correct understanding of the smart contract solution and environment, but also to make teams aware of any observations as soon as possible.

Inference's internal quality assurance procedures ensure that results of security assessments are challenged for completeness and appropriateness by a second independent expert.

Objectives

The objectives are the identification of security issues with regards to the assessed smart contracts and their conceptual design and specification. The security assessment also focuses on adversarial scenarios on specific use cases which have been listed in appendix “[Adversarial scenarios](#)”. These were identified together with the EcoMint developers and checked during our security assessment.

Activities

Our security assessment activities for the defined scope were:

- Source code review of smart contract code written in SmartPy
- Review of testing code

We applied the checklist for smart contract security assessments on Tezos, version 1.1 obtained from <https://github.com/InferenceAG/TezosSecurityAssessmentChecklist>. We applied the following security checklist tables:

- System / Platform
- Storage
- Gas issues and efficiency
- Code issues
- Transactions
- Entrypoint
- On-chain views
- Admin / Operator functions
- Other topics & test cases

Our activities for the follow-up assessment were:

- Source code review of changes in the smart contract code in SmartPy
- Source code review of the smart contracts in Michelson
- Reassessing security issues and observation from initial assessment in case they are claimed to be resolved

Our activities for the reassessment in April 2023:

- Source code review of changes in the smart contract code in SmartPy
- Source code review of the smart contracts in Michelson deployed on Mainnet

Security issues

There are no open known security issues.

Observations

O-EAT-001: allow_list and pre_allowlist

The sale smart contract allows storing a list of addresses allowed to buy NFTs at certain stages in the sales process. These lists, “allowlist” and “pre_allowlist”, are stored in the smart contract storage as a set (Michelson type SET¹).

This poses a risk: should this set grow too large the storage can no longer be successfully loaded when any entrypoint is executed since the loading of a large storage may consume all available gas.

However, since adding addresses to these two lists can only be done by the defined admins, we rate this point as an observation and not as a security issue.

Comment from EcoMint:

Allow list and pre-allowlist size are fully controlled by the EcoMint admin. They will be kept in a reasonable size.

¹ <https://tezos.gitlab.io/michelson-reference/#type-set>

O-EAT-002: Fund redirects

The sale smart contracts redirects received funds in the entrypoints “mint_pre_sale”, “mint_public_sale”, “pay_to_enter_allowlist_priv”, and “pay_to_enter_allowlist_pub” to the address defined in the variable “multisig_fund_address”.

These entrypoints fail if the address in “multisig_fund_address” is a smart contract where the default entrypoint fails if any tez are sent to it.

The fund redirects do not fail in the case where the destination is a smart contract accepting tez in its default entrypoint.

Based on information received from EcoMint we understand that the destination will be a smart contract with a default entrypoint accepting tez. Thus, we rate this point as an observation and not as a security issue.

Comment from EcoMint:

In our ecosystem, the variable multisig_fund_address always points to a multisig smart contract (the generic “Tezos multisig”). This contract defines the default entrypoint which accepts Tez to be transferred when called. No issue.

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Appendix

Adversarial scenarios

The following adversarial scenarios have been identified and checked during our security assessment.

Scenario	Impact rating & descriptive	Assessment result
A user is able to mint NFTs without being on the admin/sale admin list.	High: Voting without paying.	Ok Nothing identified that could circumvent the admin checks in the smart contract.
A user is able to add himself to the admin list.	High: Arbitrary write privileges to storage	Ok Nothing identified that could circumvent the checks in the smart contract.
A user is able to transfer tez out of the contract.	High: Admin fees and sales would be collectable.	Ok Nothing identified that could circumvent the checks in the smart contract.
A user is able to get more voting power without buying NFTs.	High: Voting without paying.	Ok Nothing identified that could circumvent the checks in the smart contract. Admins can “mint” tokens / voting power without paying for it, if an event is not open.
A user is able to end a voting period before the deadline.	High: Vote manipulation.	Ok Nothing identified that could circumvent the checks in the smart contract. The initial entrypoint is callable by anyone, but both voting strategies are comparing the current block height to the defined end block.
A user is able to buy NFTs without being on the allowlist.	High: Vote manipulation.	Ok Nothing identified that could circumvent the checks in the smart contract.

A user is able to enter the allowlist without paying for it.	Medium: Admins lose out on fees	Ok Nothing identified that could circumvent the checks in the smart contract.
A user on the allowlist is able to buy before the sale starts.	High: Vote manipulation.	Ok Nothing identified that could circumvent the checks in the smart contract.
A user is able to buy more NFTs/ voting power than allowed per user.	High: Vote manipulation.	Ok Nothing identified that could circumvent the check, if a new user is minting max per user or a recurring user is trying to mint more than max per user.
A user is able to add new tokens.	High: Vote manipulation.	Ok Nothing identified that could circumvent the admin checks in the smart contract.

Risk rating definition for smart contracts

Severities are quantified with two dimensions, roughly defined as follows, whereas the examples have to be regarded as indication only:

Probability of occurrence / materialisation of an issue

(bullets for a category are linked with each other with “and/or” condition.)

- Low:
 - A trusted / privileged role is required.
 - Contract may end up in the issue if other conditions, which are also unlikely to happen, are required.
- Medium:
 - A specific role or contract state is required to trigger the issue.
 - Contract may end up in the issue if another condition is fulfilled as well.
- High:
 - Anybody can trigger the issue.
 - Contract’s state will over the short or long term end up in the issue.

Impact:

(bullets for a category are linked with each other with “and/or” condition.)

- Low:
 - Non-compliance with TZIP standards
 - Unclear error messages
 - Confusing structures
- Medium:
 - A minor amount of assets can be withdrawn or destroyed.
- High:
 - Not inline with the specification
 - A non-minor amount of assets can be withdrawn or destroyed.
 - Entire or part of the contract becomes unusable.

Severity:

	Low impact	Medium impact	High impact
High probability	High	Critical	Critical
Medium probability	Medium	High	Critical
Low probability	Low	Medium	High

Glossary

Term	Description
Ligo	High level smart contract language. Website: https://ligolang.org/
Origination	Deployment of a smart contract
SmartPy	High level smart contract language. Website: https://smartpy.io/
TZIP	Tezos Improvement Proposal