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# Juicy Potato (abusing the golden privileges)

A sugared version of [RottenPotatoNG](#), with a bit of juice, i.e. **another Local Privilege Escalation tool, from a Windows Service Accounts to NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM**

## Summary

[RottenPotatoNG](#) and its [variants](#) leverages the privilege escalation chain based on [BITS](#) [service](#) having the MiTM listener on `127.0.0.1:6666` and when you have `SeImpersonate` or `SeAssignPrimaryToken` privileges. During a Windows build review we found a setup where `BITS` was intentionally disabled and port `6666` was taken.

We decided to weaponize [RottenPotatoNG](#): **Say hello to Juicy Potato.**

For the theory, see [Rotten Potato - Privilege Escalation from Service Accounts to SYSTEM](#) and follow the chain of links and references.

We discovered that, other than `BITS` there are a several COM servers we can abuse. They just need to:

- be instantiable by the current user, normally a "service user" which has impersonation privileges
- implement the `IMarshal` interface
- run as an elevated user (SYSTEM, Administrator, ...)

After some testing we obtained and tested an extensive list of [interesting CLSID's](#) on several Windows versions.

About

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## Juicy details

JuicyPotato allows you to:

- **Target CLSID**  
*pick any CLSID you want. [Here](#) you can find the list organized by OS.*
- **COM Listening port**  
*define COM listening port you prefer (instead of the marshalled hardcoded 6666)*
- **COM Listening IP address**  
*bind the server on any IP*
- **Process creation mode**  
*depending on the impersonated user's privileges you can choose from:*
  - `CreateProcessWithToken` (needs `SeImpersonate` )
  - `CreateProcessAsUser` (needs `SeAssignPrimaryToken` )
  - `both`
- **Process to launch**  
*launch an executable or script if the exploitation succeeds*
- **Process Argument**  
*customize the launched process arguments*
- **RPC Server address**  
*for a stealthy approach you can authenticate to an external RPC server*
- **RPC Server port**  
*useful if you want to authenticate to an external server and firewall is blocking port `135` ...*
- **TEST mode**  
*mainly for testing purposes, i.e. testing CLSIDs. It creates the DCOM and prints the user of token. See [here for testing](#)*

## Usage

T:\>JuicyPotato.exe

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Mandatory args:

-t createprocess call: <t> CreateProcessWithTokenW, <u> CreateProces:

-p <program>: program to launch

-l <port>: COM server listen port

Optional args:

-m <ip>: COM server listen address (default 127.0.0.1)

-a <argument>: command line argument to pass to program (default NUL

-k <ip>: RPC server ip address (default 127.0.0.1)

-n <port>: RPC server listen port (default 135)

-c <{clsid}>: CLSID (default BITS:{4991d34b-80a1-4291-83b6-3328366b9

-z only test CLSID and print token's user

## Example

```
Administrator: C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe

C:\temp>whoami
nt authority\local service

C:\temp>juicypotato.exe -l 1337 -p c:\windows\system32\cmd.exe -t * -c {F7FD3FD6-9994-452D-8DA7-9A8FD87AEFF4}
Testing {F7FD3FD6-9994-452D-8DA7-9A8FD87AEFF4} 1337
.....
[+] authresult 0
{F7FD3FD6-9994-452D-8DA7-9A8FD87AEFF4};NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM

[+] CreateProcessWithTokenW OK

C:\temp>
```

```
Administrator: c:\windows\system32\cmd.exe

Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.14393]
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C:\Windows\system32>whoami
nt authority\system

C:\Windows\system32>
```

## Final thoughts

If the user has `SeImpersonate` or `SeAssignPrimaryToken` privileges then you are **SYSTEM**.

It's nearly impossible to prevent the abuse of all these COM Servers. You could think to modify the permissions of these objects via `DCOMCNFG` but good luck, this is gonna be challenging.

The actual solution is to protect sensitive accounts and applications which run under the `* SERVICE` accounts. Stopping `DCOM` would certainly inhibit this exploit but could have a serious impact on the underlying OS.

## Binaries

An automatic build is available. Binaries can be downloaded from the Artifacts section [here](#).

Also available in [BlackArch](#).

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## References