

# Security incident report

## Section 1: Identify the network protocol involved in the incident

**DNS (Domain Name System):** Used to resolve the domain names [yummyrecipesforme.com](#) and [greatrecipesforme.com](#) into their respective IP addresses.

**HTTP (Hypertext Transfer Protocol):** Used to send web page requests and also to initiate the download of the hosted malware.

Both protocols are commonly used by attackers in phishing campaigns and malware delivery.

## Section 2: Document the incident

A former employee executed a brute force attack to gain administrative access to the [yummyrecipesforme.com](#) website. The admin password was set to a weak default, making it easy to guess. Once access was obtained, the attacker injected a malicious JavaScript script into the site's source code. This script prompted visitors to download a file under the pretense of updating their browsers.

Upon execution, the file redirected the users' browsers to a fake site, [greatrecipesforme.com](#), which hosted malware. Users began reporting that the site asked them to download a suspicious file and that their computers became slower after doing so. DNS and HTTP traffic captured via [tcpdump](#) confirmed the redirection and the malicious behavior.

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<b>Section 3: Recommend one remediation for brute force attacks</b>
Implement <b>account lockout policies</b> after several failed login attempts. For example, lock the account temporarily after 5 incorrect password attempts. Additionally, disable default credentials and enforce <b>multi-factor authentication (MFA)</b> for administrative access.