

Web Application Security Checklist

Registration and User Data Management

- [] Implement successful saving of member info into the database
- [] Check for duplicate email addresses and handle appropriately
- [] Implement strong password requirements:
 - [] Minimum 12 characters
 - [] Combination of lowercase, uppercase, numbers, and special characters
 - [] Provide feedback on password strength
 - [] Implement both client-side and server-side password checks
- [] Encrypt sensitive user data in the database (e.g., NRIC, credit card numbers)
- [] Implement proper password hashing and storage
- [] Implement file upload restrictions (e.g., .docx, .pdf, or .jpg only)

Session Management

- [] Create a secure session upon successful login
- [] Implement session timeout
- [] Route to homepage/login page after session timeout
- [] Detect and handle multiple logins from different devices/browser tabs

Login/Logout Security

- [] Implement proper login functionality
- [] Implement rate limiting (e.g., account lockout after 3 failed login attempts)
- [] Perform proper and safe logout (clear session and redirect to login page)
- [] Implement audit logging (save user activities in the database)
- [] Redirect to homepage after successful login, displaying user info

Anti-Bot Protection

- [] Implement Google reCAPTCHA v3 service

Input Validation and Sanitization

- [] Prevent injection attacks (e.g., SQL injection)
- [] Implement Cross-Site Request Forgery (CSRF) protection
- [] Prevent Cross-Site Scripting (XSS) attacks
- [] Perform proper input sanitization, validation, and verification for all user inputs
- [] Implement both client-side and server-side input validation
- [] Display error or warning messages for improper input
- [] Perform proper encoding before saving data into the database

Error Handling

- [] Implement graceful error handling on all pages
- [] Create and display custom error pages (e.g., 404, 403)

Software Testing and Security Analysis

- [] Perform source code analysis using external tools (e.g., GitHub)
- [] Address security vulnerabilities identified in the source code

Advanced Security Features

- ☐ Implement automatic account recovery after logout period
- ☐ Enforce password history (avoid password reuse, max 2 password history)
- ☐ Implement change password functionality
- ☐ Implement reset password functionality (using email link or SMS)
- ☐ Enforce minimum and maximum password age policies
- ☐ Implement Two-Factor Authentication (2FA)

General Security Best Practices

- ☐ Use HTTPS for all communications
- ☐ Implement proper access controls and authorization
- ☐ Keep all software and dependencies up to date
- ☐ Follow secure coding practices
- ☐ Regularly backup and securely store user data
- ☐ Implement logging and monitoring for security events

Documentation and Reporting

- ☐ Prepare a report on implemented security features
- ☐ Complete and submit the security checklist

Remember to test each security feature thoroughly and ensure they work as expected in your web application.