



# Software vulnerability report

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## 1 OWASP vulnerabilities

### 1.1 AppDOS

#### Application Flooding

##### Objective

Ensure that the application functions correctly when presented with large volumes of requests, transactions and / or network traffic.

*Notes: Use various fuzzing tools to perform this test (e.g. SPIKE)*

##### Status

Quacker is deployed with both vertical and horizontal autoscaling to handle large amounts of requests and traffic. Autoscalers have limits and do not prevent DDoS attacks. Cloudflare is used as a proxy/CDN on top of the regular DigitalOcean server. Cloudflare has options for DDoS protection such as whitelisting/blacklisting IP addresses and a "I'm under attack" option. This will prompt the following message when entering Quacker.



#### Checking your browser before accessing quacker.nl.

This process is automatic. Your browser will redirect to your requested content shortly.

Please allow up to 5 seconds...

DDoS protection by [Cloudflare](#)

Ray ID: 6605b1f8fff805b3

Figure 1. Example of Cloudflare's DDoS protection

#### Application Lockout

##### Objective

Ensure that the application does not allow an attacker to reset or lockout user's accounts.

##### Status

This vulnerability is not applicable to Quacker as there is no lockout mechanism implemented. If implemented, brute force attacks are easy to conduct. The lockout should automatically unlock after 10-15 minutes so that users are not bothered as much.



## 1.2 AccessControl

### Parameter Analysis

#### Objective

Ensure that the application enforces its access control model by ensuring that any parameters available to an attacker would not afford additional service.

*Notes: Typically this includes manipulation of form fields, URL query strings, client-side script values and cookies.*

#### Status

The way Quacker is built, all data is stored and retrieved from the back end. Invalid data is also validated and checked for existence in the back end. The front end merely serves as a template to show the data. Editing URL parameters or HTML/JavaScript values will not affect any data or backend processes.

### Authorization

#### Objective

Ensure that resources that require authorization perform adequate authorization checks before being sent to a user.

#### Status

Quacker has role-based authorization. Every resource has an authorization check that will validate the users, JWT and validate if the user has sufficient permissions.

```
[HttpDelete("{quackId}")]
[Authorize(Roles = "Administrator")]
0 references | Ecksedee, 2 days ago | 1 author, 1 change
public async Task<ActionResult> DeleteQuack(Guid quackId)
```

Figure 2. Example of back-end authorization check

### Authorization Parameter Manipulation

#### Objective

Ensure that once valid user has logged in it is not possible to change the session ID's parameter to reflect another user account

*Notes: i.e. accountnumber, policynumber, usernr etc.*

#### Status

All user data such as IDs are stored in a JWT format. Users will need to know the JWT secret which is stored in the back end before they can manipulate the JWT.



## Authorized pages/functions

### Objective

Check to see if it's possible to access pages or functions which require logon but can be bypassed

### Status

Quacker has so called "route guards" on protected pages. These route guards check for the user's permissions which are stored in cookies. If the guard is somehow bypassed, the attack will not be able to see any vulnerable data as the front end only serves as a template.

```
path: '/profile/:username',
name: 'Profile',
component: Profile,
beforeEnter(to, from, next) {
  const user = store.state.auth.user;
  if (user) {
    next();
  } else {
    next('/login');
  }
},
```

Figure 3. Example of front-end route guard

## Application Workflow

### Objective

Ensure that where the application requires the user to perform actions in a specific sequence, the sequence is enforced.

### Status

This vulnerability is not applicable. Quacker has no workflows that require a specific sequence of actions.





## 1.3 Authentication

### Authentication endpoint request should be HTTPS

#### Objective

Ensure that users are only asked to submit authentication credentials on pages that are served with SSL.

*Notes: This ensures that the user knows who is asking for his / her credentials as well as where they are being sent.*

#### Status

Both the front-end website as the back-end API are provided with SSL encryption. The certificates are managed by Cloudflare.

✓ Your SSL/TLS encryption mode is Full

This setting was last changed 21 days ago

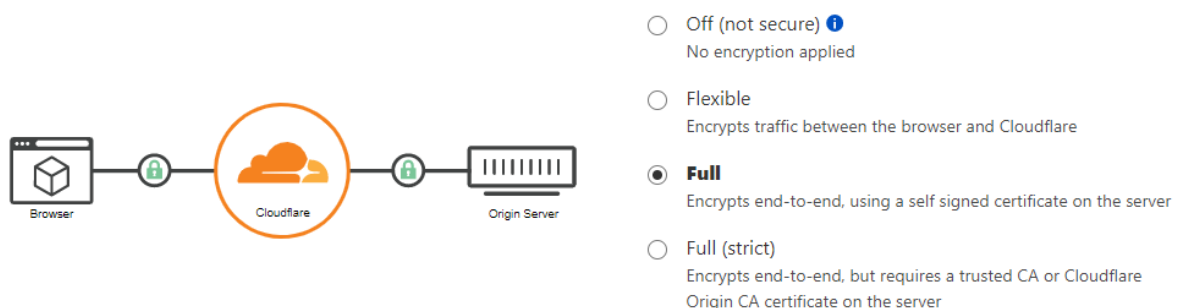


Figure 4. Cloudflare's SSL settings

### Authentication bypass

#### Objective

Ensure that the authentication process cannot be bypassed.

*Notes: Typically this happens in conjunction with flaws like SQL Injection.*

#### Status

After some testing, it is possible to view pages by adding an empty "user" cookie.

Name	Value
user	{}

Figure 5. Example of an empty user cookie

This cookie allows an attacker to bypass page guards and view pages even when they are not authenticated. There is no data present on the page as the back end authorization fails. A possible solution for this is redirecting users after a 401 unauthorized status is received from the back end.



## 1.4 Authentication.User

### Credentials transport over an encrypted channel

#### Objective

Ensure that usernames and passwords are sent over an encrypted channel.

*Notes: Typically this should be SSL.*

#### Status

Both the front-end website as the back-end API are provided with SSL encryption. The certificates are managed by Cloudflare.

#### ✓ Your SSL/TLS encryption mode is Full

This setting was last changed 21 days ago



- ☐ Off (not secure) ⓘ  
No encryption applied
- ☐ Flexible  
Encrypts traffic between the browser and Cloudflare
- ☒ **Full**  
Encrypts end-to-end, using a self signed certificate on the server
- ☐ Full (strict)  
Encrypts end-to-end, but requires a trusted CA or Cloudflare Origin CA certificate on the server

Figure 6. Cloudflare's SSL settings

### Default Accounts

#### Objective

Check for default account names and passwords in use.

#### Status

This is a high-risk vulnerability that is currently active in Quacker. On initialization, a default "admin" account is seeded. This admin account has an equally easy-to-guess password. A way to fix this vulnerability is to force the admin user to change the default credentials after the first log in.

### Username

#### Objective

Ensure that the username is not public (or "wallet") information such as email or SSN.

#### Status

A user has two ways to authenticate with Quacker. Their username and email. A user's email is not public information and is never shown on their profile. Users also have a display name which they can change to show on their profile.



## Password Quality

### Objective

Ensure that the password complexity makes guessing passwords difficult.

### Status

Quacker enforces password complexity. For development purposes, this is currently set to a simple ruleset. This ruleset can be changed in the authentication microservice.

```
services.Configure<IdentityOptions>(options =>
{
    options.Password.RequiredLength = 3;
    options.Password.RequireNonAlphanumeric = false;
    options.Password.RequireUppercase = false;
    options.Password.RequireLowercase = false;
    options.Password.RequireDigit = true;
    options.User.RequireUniqueEmail = true;
});
```

Figure 7. Password complexity for Quacker

## Password Reset

### Objective

Ensure that user must respond to a secret answer / secret question or other predetermined information before passwords can be reset.

Notes: Ensure that passwords are not sent to users in email.

### Status

This vulnerability is not applicable. Quacker does not provide the ability to reset a password because it is out of scope for this project. The Microsoft Identity framework that is used in Quacker has support for sending emails for resetting passwords.

## Password Lockout

### Objective

Ensure that the users account is locked out for a period of time when the incorrect password is entered more that a specific number of times (usually 5).

### Status

This vulnerability is not applicable. Quacker does not provide the ability to lock users out because it is out of scope for this project. The Microsoft Identity framework that is used in Quacker has support for user lockouts. The below image shows the Identity-generated columns that exist for this reason.

LockoutEnd	LockoutEnabled	AccessFailedCount
NULL	1	0
NULL	1	0
NULL	1	0
NULL	1	0
NULL	1	0
NULL	1	0
NULL	NULL	NULL

Figure 8. Lockout related columns generated by the Identity framework



## Password Structure

### Objective

Ensure that special meta characters cannot be used within the password

Notes: Can be useful when performing SQL injection

### Status

After performing a test by registering a user with the password: ' or 1=1; truncate table AspNetUsers; -- it does not seem to affect anything in the applications. Since the authentication and user management is mostly handled by Microsoft's Identity Framework, many potential vulnerabilities such as special meta characters and SQL injection are protected by the ORM.

## Blank Passwords

### Objective

Ensure that passwords are not blank

### Status

It is ensured in both the front end and the back end that passwords are not blank when registering an account.

**Create your account**

Username  
test

Email  
test@gmail.com

Password  
The password field is required

Month  
april

Day  
3

Year  
2008

Figure 9. Front-end password check

```
JSON
{
  "type": "https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc7231#section-6.5.1",
  "title": "One or more validation errors occurred.",
  "status": 400,
  "traceId": "00-f0d050073f36ac478f1bdd9dbdcdf3db-61794d763dfe154e-00",
  "errors": {
    "Password": [
      "The Password field is required."
    ]
  }
}
```

Figure 10. Response when registering directly with the back end



## 1.5 Authentication.SessionManagement

### Session Token Length

#### *Objective*

Ensure that the session token is of adequate length to provide protection from guessing during an authenticated session.

#### *Status*

Not applicable as Quacker uses JWT authentication instead of session tokens. The user's state is not on the server, but instead the JWT is sent with every request.

### Session Timeout

#### *Objective*

Ensure that the session tokens are only valid for a predetermined period after the last request by the user.

#### *Status*

The JWT tokens have an expiry date of two days. This expiry date is the same as the cookie expiry date. After two days, a user will have to login again.

### Session Reuse

#### *Objective*

Ensure that session tokens are changed when the user moves from an SSL protected resource to a non-SSL protected resource.

#### *Status*

Not applicable as Quacker uses JWT authentication instead of session tokens.

### Session Deletion

#### *Objective*

Ensure that the session token is invalidated when the user logs out.

#### *Status*

Not applicable as Quacker uses JWT authentication instead of session tokens. JWTs can still be invalidated on logout. Ways too do this would be by creating a token blocklist or keeping a version number on the JWT and changing this on every logout.



## Session Token Format

### Objective

Ensure that the session token is non-persistent and is never written to the browsers history or cache

### Status

Not applicable as Quacker uses JWT authentication instead of session tokens.

## 1.6 Configuration.Management

### HTTP Methods

#### Objective

Ensure that the web server does not support the ability to manipulate resources from the Internet (e.g. PUT and DELETE)

#### Status

Since the back end is an API, it requires some HTTP methods to be supported. The API gateway handles all requests and carefully determines which HTTP methods are allowed for which endpoint.

```
"DownstreamPathTemplate": "/quacks",
"DownstreamScheme": "http",
"DownstreamHostAndPorts": [
  {
    "Host": "quacker-quack-service",
    "Port": 5000
  }
],
"UpstreamPathTemplate": "/api/quacks",
"UpstreamHttpMethod": [ "GET", "POST", "DELETE" ]
```

Figure 11. API gateway configuration

### Virtually Hosted Sites

#### Objective

Try and determine if site is virtually hosted.

*Notes: If there are further sites, they could be vulnerable and lead to the compromise of the base server*

#### Status

Quacker is solely hosted on a Kubernetes cluster. This cluster is not shared with any other websites or applications. Furthermore, Cloudflare is used to cover the origin IP of the cluster.



## Known Vulnerabilities / Security Patches

### *Objective*

Ensure that known vulnerabilities which vendors have patched are not present.

### *Status*

In order to truly discover vulnerabilities, Quacker should be penetration tested. This is best done when the tester is provided with internal information of the software. This allows the tester to analyze what vulnerabilities might be present in the architecture and how they can affect the application itself. When possible, these vulnerabilities can be tested to determine their real effects and to detect if there might be any external elements that might reduce or negate the possibility of successful exploitation.

## Back-up Files

### *Objective*

Ensure that no backup files of source code are accessible on the publicly accessible part of the application

### *Status*

The code is stored in private repositories on GitHub. All repositories are private for security reasons.

## Web Server Configuration

### *Objective*

Ensure that common configuration issues such as directory listings and sample files have been addressed

### *Status*

Nginx is used as web server for quacker. Quacker currently uses a basic Nginx configuration which has not been completely tested for vulnerabilities.

## Web Server Components

### *Objective*

Ensure that web server components like Front Page Server Extensions or Apache modules do not introduce any security vulnerabilities

### *Status*

This vulnerability is not applicable as no web server components are used. Only the base NGINX server is used.



## Common Paths

### *Objective*

Check for existence of common directories within the application root

*Notes: /backup & /admin may contain information*

### *Status*

There are currently no common directories that contain vulnerable information. Furthermore, the user will be redirected and will have no access to the resource without valid permissions.

## Language/Application defaults

### *Objective*

J2EE environmental quirks e.g Availability of snoop.jsp /\*Spy.jsp and loaded modules

### *Status*

The languages used in Quacker have previously been researched and graded on their vulnerabilities/security. Both the front-end and back-end languages have no significant vulnerabilities or quirks that could be exploited in Quacker.

## 1.7 Configuration.Management.Application

### Infrastructure Admin Interfaces

#### *Objective*

Ensure that administrative interfaces to the applications are not accessible to the Internet.

#### *Status*

Administrative interfaces such as monitoring software (Grafana, Kiali, etc.) are not publicly accessible. A user would need the credentials for the Kubernetes cluster in order to see these interfaces and then port-forward the internal applications to their system.





## 1.8 Error Handling

### Application Error Messages

#### Objective

Ensure that the application does not present application error messages to an attacker that could be used in an attack.

*Notes: This typically occurs when applications return verbose error messages such as stack traces or database errors.*

#### Status

Standard error handling is handled by the .NET Core framework. The error messages that are produced do not contain verbose error messages such as stack tracer or database errors by nature. This information is logged, but not sent to the user.

.NET Core error messages do contain a trace id.

```
status: 401
title: "Unauthorized"
traceId: "00-b3503e5f38fd27429ab5ef57a7d24cfe-773069b5bfe48d40-00"
type: "https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc7235#section-3.1"
```

Figure 12. Error message containing trace id

Trace ids cannot be used in attacks. They are unique for every request and can be used to uniquely identify the request in logs.

### User Error Messages

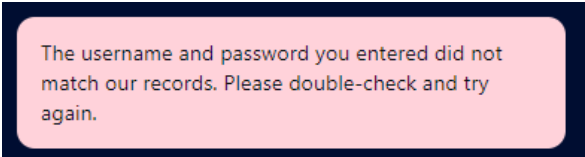
#### Objective

Ensure that the application does not present user error messages to an attacker that could be used in an attack.

*Notes: This typically occurs when applications return error messages such as "User does not exist" or "User Correct, Password Incorrect"*

#### Status

For user messages, Quacker tries to avoid giving vulnerable information. For example, Quacker will prompt the following error on an invalid login:



```
The username and password you entered did not
match our records. Please double-check and try
again.
```

Figure 13. Error when attempting to log in with invalid credentials

This error message lets the user know that their password is incorrect without letting potential attackers know that the username/password exists.



## 1.9 DataProtection

### Sensitive Data in HTML

#### Objective

Ensure that there is no sensitive data in the HTML (cached in the browser history) that could lead an attacker to mount a focused attack.

*Notes: This typically occurs when developers leave information in html comment or the application renders names and addresses in HTML.*

#### Status

There is no sensitive data in the HTML as all data is dynamically loaded from the back end. The HTML merely acts as a template for the data.

### Data Storage

#### Objective

Ensure where required, data is protected to protect its confidentiality and integrity.

#### Status

All data is stored in a managed database cluster from DigitalOcean. Passwords are hashed by the Identity framework in order to protect their confidentiality.

PasswordHash	SecurityStamp
AQAAAAEAACcQAAAAEGsZF4Mg3LE+0HRdRs...	L5VLJNH5FGCAN5Z77U5FWGZEWD6TGMOY
AQAAAAEAACcQAAAAEKCHvXdbfuKIBaSSy21...	ZYGPUIEG4DJOED56LRVAYKIZTA3XKO34
AQAAAAEAACcQAAAAEAGTDiNtVb8PGraUd/4...	FHX3S5FGYUJH7GT4PIN6IJXJ3P7ESNV7I
AQAAAAEAACcQAAAAEOYdshfZz1VRdHHeYX...	W67GUS4CX5U4ZCBUCHW7AYDKS6P3KX7T
AQAAAAEAACcQAAAAEG8NqcxQeZoW6fzgKxo...	CJ3VHUYWC7WT2MOLFBPISY75L2J2A2O2
AQAAAAEAACcQAAAAEJblyr0/ApSyumoZgTl6Q...	L75W72WOT3LBSOD633X3TNDGPJ5N4QXB

Figure 14. Example of password hashing and security stamps

## 1.10 DataProtection.Transport

### SSL Version

#### Objective

Ensure that SSL versions supported do not have cryptographic weaknesses.

#### Status

The SSL encryption and version are handled by Cloudflare and cannot be decided by Quacker.

### SSL Key Exchange Methods

#### Objective

Ensure that the web server does not allow anonymous key exchange methods.

*Notes: Typically ADH Anonymous Diffie Hellman.*

#### Status

The SSL encryption is handled by Cloudflare and cannot be decided by Quacker.



## SSL Algorithms

### Objective

Ensure that weak algorithms are not available.

*Notes: Typically algorithms such as RC2 and DES.*

### Status

The SSL ciphers are determined by Cloudflare and cannot be decided by Quacker.

AES256-SHA256	✗	✗	✓	✗
AES256-SHA	✓	✓	✓	✗
DES-CBC3-SHA	✓	✗	✗	✗
AEAD-AES128-GCM-SHA256 <sup>1</sup>	✗	✗	✗	✓
AEAD-AES256-GCM-SHA384 <sup>1</sup>	✗	✗	✗	✓
AEAD-CHACHA20-POLY1305-SHA256 <sup>1</sup>	✗	✗	✗	✓

Figure 15. Cloudflare's supported cipher suites by protocol

It can be seen that Cloudflare frequently updates their supported cipher suites. Quacker uses TLS 1.3 which means that one of the bottom three cipher suites are used. It should be noted that Quacker uses the free version of Cloudflare's SSL.

## SSL Key Lengths

### Objective

Ensure the web site uses an appropriate length key.

*Notes: Most web sites should enforce 128 bit encryption*

### Notes

The SSL encryption is handled by Cloudflare and cannot be decided by Quacker.



## Digital Certificate Validity

### Objective

Ensure the application uses valid digital certificates.

*Notes: Ensure that the digital certificate is valid, that is to say its signature, host, date etc are all valid.*

### Notes

Certificates for Quacker are managed by Cloudflare. The certificates for Quacker.nl expire on 2022-03-15

### Review Universal Certificate for \*.quacker.nl, quacker.nl

The certificates in the pack listed below are managed and auto-renewed by Cloudflare.

Certificate	Expiration
SHA 2 ECDSA	2022-03-15 (Managed by Cloudflare)
<b>Certificate Validity Period</b>	1 year
<b>Validation method</b>	TXT

Figure 16. Cloudflare's SSL certificate review

## 1.11 InputValidation

### Script Injection

#### Objective

Ensure that any part of the application that allows input does not process scripts as part of the input.

*Notes: Classic case of Cross Site Scripting but includes other scripting as well.*

#### Status

The front end is built with Vue.js. Interpolated expressions are used for showing all data. These expressions are stringified and cannot be executed by the browser.

```
<p>{{ quack }}</p>
```

Figure 17. Example of interpolated expression for showing quacks







	<b>kevin</b> June 16th 2021	
	<h3>test</h3>	
	<b>kevin</b> June 16th 2021	
	{{ 2 + 2 }}	
	<b>kevin</b> June 16th 2021	
	{{ alert('xss') }}	

Figure 18. Example of how HTML and JavaScript are stringified and displayed



## 1.12 InputValidation.SQL

### SQL Injection

#### *Objective*

Ensure the application will not process SQL commands from the user.

#### *Status*

For communication with the database, the ORM EntityFramework is used. EntityFramework is used in combination with C#'s LINQ queries. LINQ queries are protected from SQL Injection because parameterized values are used in the translation process from C# to SQL. This provides the same type of protection that Stored Procedures would normally provide.

LINQ is the only way of communicating that is used in Quacker. There are no occurrences of manual SQL execution.

## 1.13 InputValidation.OS

### OS Command Injection

#### *Objective*

Ensure the applications will not process operating system commands from the user.

*Notes: This typically includes issues such as path traversal, spawning command shells and OS functions.*

#### *Status*

This vulnerability is not applicable for Quacker as there are no occurrences where system commands are executed.



## 1.14 InputValidation.LDAP

### LDAP Injection

#### *Objective*

Ensure the application will not process LDAP commands from the user.

#### *Status*

This vulnerability is not applicable for Quacker as there are no occurrences where LDAP statements are executed. Therefore, injecting them will not cause any harm.

## 1.15 InputValidation.XSS

### Cross Site Scripting

#### *Objective*

Ensure that the application will not store or reflect malicious script code.

#### *Status*

There are currently no filters for malicious script code. Any malicious script will not be executed due to protection of EntityFramework and Vue.js. However, there is currently nothing that prevents malicious code from being stored in the database as strings. In order to prevent this, a filter can be designed that checks for certain characters and code.



## 1.16 BufferOverflow

### Overflows

#### Objective

Ensure that the application is not susceptible to any buffer overflows.

*Notes: Fuzzing tools help with testing all components of an application for this issue.*

#### Status

Due to the nature of C#, buffer overflows can only with the usage of certain unsafe constructs, and not with "normal" C# code. This is not the case in Quacker; thus, buffer overflows are not a vulnerability. If a buffer overflow does appear, it will throw an exception instead of crashing the system.

### Heap Overflows

#### Objective

Ensure that the application is not susceptible to any heap overflows.

#### Status

As a heap overflow is a form of buffer overflow, the chance of it happening is little to none, due to the nature of C# as a language. If it were to happen, the system would not crash, but instead throw an exception.

### Stack Overflows

#### Objective

Ensure that the application is not susceptible to any stack overflows.

#### Status

According to the Microsoft docs: *StackOverflowException is thrown for execution stack overflow errors, typically in case of a very deep or unbounded recursion. So make sure your code doesn't have an infinite loop or infinite recursion.*

Quacker uses no form of recursion at all. The chance of a stack overflow happening is low to zero. Like the other overflows, this would not crash the system.

### Format Strings

#### Objective

Ensure that the application is not susceptible to any format string overflows.

#### Status

C# code is not susceptible to memory address overwrites as process memory is managed by the CLR (common language runtime) rather than it being the responsibility of the developer.



## 2 OWASP checklist

	The vulnerability has been fixed
	The vulnerability has been researched but no fix is implemented
	The vulnerability is not applicable
	The vulnerability has not been researched or fixed

Category	Name	Objective	Notes	Status
<b>AppDOS</b>	Application Flooding	Ensure that the application functions correctly when presented with large volumes of requests, transactions and / or network traffic.	Use various fuzzing tools to perform this test (e.g. SPIKE)	
	Application Lockout	Ensure that the application does not allow an attacker to reset or lockout user's accounts.		
<b>AccessControl</b>	Parameter Analysis	Ensure that the application enforces its access control model by ensuring that any parameters available to an attacker would not afford additional service.	Typically this includes manipulation of form fields, URL query strings, client-side script values and cookies.	
	Authorization	Ensure that resources that require authorization perform adequate authorization checks before being sent to a user.		
	Authorization Parameter Manipulation	Ensure that once valid user has logged in it is not possible to change the session ID's parameter to reflect another user account	i.e. accountnumber, policynumber, usernr etc	





Category	Name	Objective	Notes	Status
	Authorized pages/functions	Check to see if it's possible to access pages or functions which require logon but can be bypassed		
	Application Workflow	Ensure that where the application requires the user to perform actions in a specific sequence, the sequence is enforced.		
<b>Authentication</b>	Authentication endpoint request should be HTTPS	Ensure that users are only asked to submit authentication credentials on pages that are served with SSL.	This ensures that the user knows who is asking for his / her credentials as well as where they are being sent.	
	Authentication bypass	Ensure that the authentication process can not be bypassed.	Typically this happens in conjunction with flaws like SQL Injection.	
<b>Authentication. User</b>	Credentials transport over an encrypted channel	Ensure that usernames and passwords are sent over an encrypted channel.	Typically this should be SSL.	
	Default Accounts	Check for default account names and passwords in use		
	Username	Ensure that the username is not public (or "wallet") information such as email or SSN.		
	Password Quality	Ensure that the password complexity makes guessing passwords difficult.		
	Password Reset	Ensure that user must respond to a secret answer / secret question or other predetermined information before passwords can be reset.	Ensure that passwords are not sent to users in email.	



Category	Name	Objective	Notes	Status
	Password Lockout	Ensure that the users account is locked out for a period of time when the incorrect password is entered more that a specific number of times (usually 5).		
	Password Structure	Ensure that special meta characters cannot be used within the password	Can be useful when performing SQL injection	
	Blank Passwords	Ensure that passwords are not blank		
<b>Authentication. SessionManagem ent</b>	Session Token Length	Ensure that the session token is of adequate length to provide protection from guessing during an authenticated session.		
	Session Timeout	Ensure that the session tokens are only valid for a predetermined period after the last request by the user.		
	Session Reuse	Ensure that session tokens are changed when the user moves from an SSL protected resource to a non-SSL protected resource.		
	Session Deletion	Ensure that the session token is invalidated when the user logs out.		
	Session Token Format	Ensure that the session token is non-persistent and is never written to the browsers history or cache		



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Configuration Management	HTTP Methods	Ensure that the web server does not support the ability to manipulate resources from the Internet (e.g. PUT and DELETE)		
	Virtually Hosted Sites	Try and determine if site is virtually hosted.	If there are further sites, they could be vulnerable and lead to the compromise of the base server	
	Known Vulnerabilities / Security Patches	Ensure that known vulnerabilities which vendors have patched are not present.		
	Back-up Files	Ensure that no backup files of source code are accessible on the publicly accessible part of the application		
	Web Server Configuration	Ensure that common configuration issues such as directory listings and sample files have been addressed		
	Web Server Components	Ensure that web server components like Front Page Server Extensions or Apache modules do not introduce any security vulnerabilities		
	Common Paths	Check for existence of common directories within the application root	/backup & /admin may contain information	
	Language/Application defaults	I.e. J2EE environmental quirks e.g. Availability of snoop.jsp /*Spy.jsp and loaded modules		



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<b>Configuration. Management. Application</b>	Application Admin Interfaces	Ensure that administrative interfaces to the applications are not accessible to the Internet.		
<b>Error Handling</b>	Application Error Messages	Ensure that the application does not present application error messages to an attacker that could be used in an attack.	This typically occurs when applications return verbose error messages such as stack traces or database errors.	
	User Error Messages	Ensure that the application does not present user error messages to an attacker that could be used in an attack.	This typically occurs when applications return error messages such as "User does not exist" or "User Correct, Password Incorrect"	
<b>DataProtection</b>	Sensitive Data in HTML	Ensure that there is no sensitive data in the HTML (cached in the browser history) that could lead an attacker to mount a focused attack.	This typically occurs when developers leave information in html comment or the application renders names and addresses in HTML.	
	Data Storage	Ensure where required, data is protected to protect its confidentiality and integrity.		



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<b>DataProtection Transport</b>	SSL Version	Ensure that SSL versions supported do not have cryptographic weaknesses.		
	SSL Key Exchange Methods	Ensure that the web server does not allow anonymous key exchange methods.	Typically ADH Anonymous DiffieHellman.	
	SSL Algorithms	Ensure that weak algorithms are not available.	Typically algorithms such as RC2 and DES.	
	SSL Key Lengths	Ensure the web site uses an appropriate length key.	Most web sites should enforce 128 bit encryption	
	Digital Certificate Validity	Ensure the application uses valid digital certificates.	Ensure that the digital certificate is valid, that is to say its signature, host, date etc are all valid.	
<b>InputValidation</b>	Script Injection	Ensure that any part of the application that allows input does not process scripts as part of the input.	Classic case of Cross Site Scripting but includes other scripting as well.	
<b>InputValidation. SQL</b>	SQL Injection	Ensure the application will not process SQL commands from the user.		
<b>InputValidation. OS</b>	OS Command Injection	Ensure the applications will not process operating system commands from the user.	This typically includes issues such as path traversal, spawning command shells and OS functions.	
<b>InputValidation. LDAP</b>	LDAP Injection	Ensure the application will not process LDAP commands from the user.		
<b>InputValidation. XSS</b>	Cross Site Scripting	Ensure that the application will not store or reflect malicious script code.		



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<b>BufferOverflow</b>	Overflows	Ensure that the application is not susceptible to any buffer overflows.	Fuzzing tools help with testing all components of an application for this issue.	
	Heap Overflows	Ensure that the application is not susceptible to any heap overflows.		
	Stack Overflows	Ensure that the application is not susceptible to any stack overflows.		
	Format Strings	Ensure that the application is not susceptible to any format string overflows.		