

# OWASP Mobile Top 10

*Where to look for them?*

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## **M1: Improper platform usage**

1. Android intents
2. Platform permissions
3. Misuse of TouchID
4. Misuse the Keychain
5. Misuse of other security controls

## **M2: Insecure data storage**

1. Wrong keychain accessibility option  
(eg: kSecAttrAccessibleWhenUnlocked vs. kSecAttrAccessibleAlways)
2. Insufficient file data protection  
(eg: NSFileProtectionNone vs NSFileProtectionComplete)
3. Access to privacy resources when using this data incorrectly

### **M3: Insecure communication**

1. Poor handshaking/weak negotiation  
(eg: lack of certificate pinning)
2. Incorrect SSL versions
3. Clear text communication of sensitive assets
4. HTTP instead of HTTPS

### **M4: Insecure authentication**

1. Failing to identify the user at all when that should be required
2. Failure to maintain the user's identity when it is required
3. Weaknesses in session management

## **M5: Insufficient cryptography**

- 1. Poor Key Management Processes**
- 2. Creation and Use of Custom Encryption Protocols**
- 3. Use of Insecure and/or Deprecated Algorithms**

## **M6: Insecure authorization**

- 1. Failures in authorization**  
(e.g., authorization decisions in the client side forced browsing, etc.)
- 2. Able to execute over-privileged functionality**

## **M7: Client code quality**

1. Buffer overflows
2. Format string vulnerabilities
3. Various other code-level mistakes where the solution is to rewrite some code that's running on the device

## **M8: Code tampering**

1. Binary patching
2. Local resource modification
3. Method hooking and swizzling
4. Dynamic memory modification

## **M9: Reverse engineering**

1. Source code
2. Libraries
- 3 . Algorithms and other assets

## **M10: Extraneous functionality**

1. Hidden backdoor functionality
2. Other internal development security controls not intended for production environment