

Sealed Bid Auction Developer Tutorial

Overview

A first-price sealed-bid auction, also known as a "blind auction", is a type of auction in which all bidders simultaneously submit sealed bids so that no bidder knows the bid of any other participant. The highest bidder pays the price that was submitted. In this tutorial you will learn how to create a cross-chain sealed bid auction dApp with encrypted bids using [SecretPath](#).

See a live demo [here](#), configured for Sepolia testnet! (To use the demo, make sure Sepolia testnet is added to your Metamask wallet). See the fullstack frontend code implementation [here](#). You will start by configuring your developer environment and then learn how to use SecretPath to enable cross-chain encryption and decryption, using Secret Network as a Confidential Privacy Layer (CPL) for the EVM.

Getting Started

To get started, clone the Sealed Bid Auction repo:

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Copy git clone https://github.com/writersblockchain/sealed-bid-auctions
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EVM Prerequisites

1. Add Sepolia testnet to Metamask.
2. [Fund](#)
3. your Sepolia wallet.
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Secret Network Prerequisites

1. [Add Secret Network testnet to Keplr](#)
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3. [Fund your Secret testnet wallet](#)
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Uploading Sealed Bid Contract

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Install the node dependencies

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Update the [env file](#) with your Secret Network wallet mnemonic, and rename it ".env" instead of ".env.example"

Compile the contract

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cd into secret-contract/node:
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Set SecretPath parameters:

Open upload.js and configure the SecretPath [gatewayAddress](#), [gatewayHash](#), and [gatewayPublicKey](#):

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const gatewayHash = "012dd8efab9526dec294b6898c812ef6f6ad853e32172788f54ef3c305c1ecc5";
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const gatewayPublicKey = "0x046d0aac3ef10e69055e934ca899f508ba516832dc74aa4ed4d741052ed5a568774d99d3bfed641a7935ae73aac8e34938db747c2f0e8b2aa95c25d069a575cc8b";
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[gatewayAddress](#), [gatewayHash](#), and [gatewayPublicKey](#) are needed for instantiating contracts that utilize SecretPath and can be found in the doc [here](#). You will always use these same 3 parameters for instantiating a SecretPath-compatible contract on testnet. Upload and instantiate the contract:

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Upon successful upload and instantiation, add the contract codehash and address to your [env file](#).

List an Auction Item

Now that you've instantiated a sealed bid contract on Secret Network, it's time to create your first auction item with SecretPath!

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cd into sealed-bid-auctions/evm-contract :
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Install the dependencies

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Configure env

Configure the [env file](#) with your sealed bid auction contract address and codehash, and rename it ".env" instead of ".env.example".

Configure SecretPath

Open [scripts/create_auction.js](#) and navigate to [line 44](#), the publicClientAddress. This is the SecretPath gateway address for [Sepolia testnet](#).

If you wanted to send messages on another chain, such as Base or Polygon, you would simply update this publicClientAddress with the corresponding address found [here](#). Similarly, there is a SecretPath gateway encryption key, which is on [line 63](#). This is used for ChaCha20-Poly1305 Payload encryption and can be found in the docs [here](#).

If you wanted to do this for mainnet, you would simply use the mainnet encryption key. Next, configure the auction [name, description, and end time](#) to your liking (end_time is the amount of minutes that the auction will be live for), and note the handle variable, which is the function that is actually being called in the Secret contract that you deployed. You are executing the [create_auction_item](#) handle, which executes the [create_auction_item function](#) in your sealed bid contract.

Now that you have all of your SecretPath code configured, execute the SecretPath Sepolia public gateway contract to send your auction item to the Secret contract:

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Upon successful execution, info about your SecretPath payload will be returned:

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{"user_key": "0x026c4af0a833ed26f82058d882a0e18114ac398eebdc05b206d11a9060c075026c", "user_pubkey": "0x0423d8d8b518902cd6b0da592af0424719c355a724687cb74d96bd1171eb148edb87f3", "handle": "create_bid", "nonce": "0x0d0075c1a22be720ad003eba", "payload": "0x0b47475944f9a0c966f9b8be7f779f291c31eb11a78132a19fb23aef1b97a92b189e938b5d1975d81836f2ff0aa89e0ade4b4", "callbackAddress": "0x3879e146140b627a5c858a08e507b171d9e43139", "callbackSelector": "0x373d450c", "callbackGasLimit": 300000}
Transaction sent! Hash: 0xae5dd78f381b67e470a70eaf757c306a1ee605f145007cd7a6e4f4cb8d56be4b Transaction confirmed! Block Number: 5683035
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Bid On Auction Item

Now it's time to place an encrypted bid on your listed auction item. Open [bid.js](#) and adjust the [amount](#) that you want to bid as well as the [index](#) of the auction item.

Note that the sealed bid contract is designed so that each auction item has an ascending index number starting with 1. So the first auction item you list is index 1, the second is index 2, and so on. Once you have set your bid, execute the bid function:

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Upon successful execution, info about your SecretPath payload will be returned. Now let's query your auction item and bids with secret.js.

Querying Auction Items and Bids

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Make sure you have added your Sealed bid contract address and codehash to your env file, and then query the auction item with node query_auction :

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If your auction item was submitted successfully, it should be returned like so:

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NOTE: end_time is converted from minutes to Secret Network block height in the sealed bid auction contract ☹️ Now, query the bids by running node query_bid :

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If the bidding is still open, it will return the message:

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If the bidding is closed, it will return the highest bid:

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This is programmed in the [retrieve_bids_query function](#) of the Sealed Bid contract and can be adjusted to your liking ☺️

NOTE: Be sure to [update the index](#) of the query for subsequent auction item queries

Conclusion

Congrats! You deployed your very own sealed bid auction contract on Secret Network and used SecretPath to send cross-chain encrypted bids on Sepolia testnet. You now have all of the tools you need to start building your own cross-chain SecretPath contracts on the EVM

If you have any questions or run into any issues, post them on the [Secret Developer Discord](#) and somebody will assist you shortly.

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