



**VIRTUAL HACKING LABS**

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## Penetration Test Report

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## 1.0 Virtual Hacking Labs Penetration Test Report

### 1.1 Introduction

The Virtual Hacking Labs penetration test report contains all efforts that were conducted to obtain the VHL Labs Certificate of Completion. This report should contain all lab data in the report template format as well as all items that were used to pass the overall exam. This report will be graded from a standpoint of correctness and fullness to all aspects of the lab. The purpose of this report is to ensure that the student has a full understanding of penetration testing methodologies as well as the technical knowledge to pass the qualifications for the Certificate of Completion.

### 1.2 Objective

The objective of this assessment is to perform an internal penetration test against the VHL Lab network. The student is tasked with following methodical approach in obtaining access to the objective goals. This test should simulate an actual penetration test and how you would start from beginning to end, including the overall report.

### 1.3 Requirements

The student will be required to fill out this penetration testing report fully and to include the following sections:

- Overall High-Level Summary and Recommendations (non-technical)
- Methodology walkthrough and detailed outline of steps taken
- Each finding with included screenshots, walkthrough, sample code, and key.txt if applicable.
- Any additional items that were not included



## 2.0 High-Level Summary

I was tasked with performing an internal penetration test towards Virtual Hacking Labs. An internal penetration test is a dedicated attack against internally connected systems. The focus of this test is to perform attacks, similar to those of a hacker and attempt to infiltrate Virtual Hacking Lab's internal systems. My overall objective was to evaluate the network, identify systems, and exploit flaws while reporting the findings back to Virtual Hacking Labs.

When performing the internal penetration test, there were several alarming vulnerabilities that were identified on VHL's network. When performing the attacks, I was able to gain access to multiple machines, primarily due to outdated patches and poor security configurations. During the testing, I had administrative level access to multiple systems. All systems were successfully exploited, and granted access. These systems as well as a brief description on how access was obtained are listed below:

- 192.168.xx.xx (hostname) - *Name of initial exploit*
- 192.168.xx.xx (hostname) - *Name of initial exploit*
- 192.168.xx.xx (hostname) - *Name of initial exploit*
- 192.168.xx.xx (hostname) - *Name of initial exploit*
- 192.168.xx.xx (hostname) - BOF



## 2.1 Report - Recommendations

I recommend patching the vulnerabilities identified during the testing to ensure that an attacker cannot exploit these systems in the future. One thing to remember is that these systems require frequent patching and once patched, should remain on a regular patch program to protect against additional vulnerabilities that are discovered at a later date.

## 3.0 Report – Methodologies

I utilized a widely adopted approach to performing penetration testing that is effective in testing how well the Virtual Hacking Lab's environments are secure. Below is a breakout of how I was able to identify and exploit the variety of systems and includes all individual vulnerabilities found.

### 3.1 Report – Information Gathering

The information gathering portion of a penetration test focuses on identifying the scope of the penetration test. During this penetration test, I was tasked with exploiting the lab and exam network. The specific IP addresses were:

#### **Exam Network**

- 192.168.X.X
- 192.168.X.X
- 192.168.X.X
- 192.168.X.X
- 192.168X.X



## 3.2 Sample Report – Service Enumeration

The service enumeration portion of a penetration test focuses on gathering information about what services are alive on a system or systems. This is valuable for an attacker as it provides detailed information on potential attack vectors into a system. Understanding what applications are running on the system gives an attacker needed information before performing the actual penetration test. In some cases, some ports may not be listed.

Server IP Address	Ports Open
192.168.X.X	TCP:  UDP:
192.168.X.X	TCP:  UDP:
192.168.X.X	TCP:  UDP:



## 3.3 Report – Penetration

The penetration testing portion of the assessment focuses heavily on gaining access to a variety of systems. During this penetration test, I was able to successfully gain access to **X** out of the **X** systems.

### **Vulnerability Exploited**

**System Vulnerable:**

**Vulnerability Explanation:**

**Privilege Escalation Vulnerability:**

**Vulnerability Fix:**

**Severity:**

**Proof of Concept :**



**Local.txt Screenshot:**

**Local.txt Contents:**



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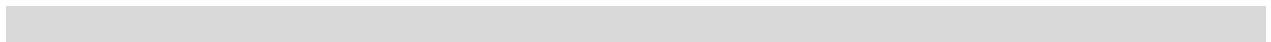
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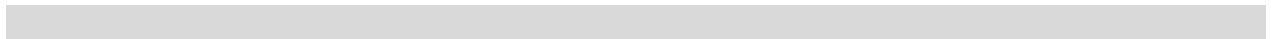
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## 3.4 Report – Maintaining Access

Maintaining access to a system is important to us as attackers, ensuring that we can get back into a system after it has been exploited is invaluable. The maintaining access phase of the penetration test focuses on ensuring that once the focused attack has occurred (i.e. a buffer overflow), we have administrative access over the system again. Many exploits may only be exploitable once and we may never be able to get back into a system after we have already performed the exploit.

## 3.5 Report – House Cleaning

The house-cleaning portion of the assessment ensures that remnants of the penetration test are removed. Often times, fragments of tools or user accounts are left on an organization's computer, which can cause security issues down the road. Ensuring that we are meticulous and no remnants of our penetration test are left over is paramount importance.

After the objectives on both the lab network and exam network were successfully completed, I have removed all user accounts and passwords as well as the Meterpreter services installed on the system. VHL should not have to remove any user accounts or services from any of the systems.



## 4.0 Additional Items

### Appendix 1 – Key.txt Contents:

IP (Hostname)	Key.txt Contents
192.168. ()	
192.168. ()	
192.168. ()	
192.168. ()	
192.168. ()	

### Appendix 2 – Manual Exploitation (Advanced+)

For the exam, I performed manual exploitation on the following machine:

- 192.168.XX.XX
- 192.168.XX.XX