

Vulnerability Report: /client_registration & /client_login Endpoints

Steps to Generate a Successful Registration Response (HTTP 200 OK):

1. Construct the HTTP POST Request:

- Prepare an HTTP POST request targeted at the /client_registration endpoint of the Flask application.
- Set the request's Content-Type header to application/x-www-form-urlencoded.

2. Populate the Request Body (Form Data):

- Include the following key-value pairs in the request's body:
 - fullName: "ABC"
 - userName: "testuser"
 - email: "ABC@XYZ.com"
 - password: "Test@123"
 - phone: "2222"
- Ensure that the data is encoded correctly according to the application/x-www-form-urlencoded format.

3. Send the Request:

- Transmit the constructed POST request to the Flask application's server.

4. Verify the Response:

- Check the HTTP response status code.
- A successful registration should result in an HTTP 200 OK status code.
- Verify the response body.
- The response body should contain the JSON data {"msg": "User Registered"}.

Expected Outcome:

- If the registration is successful, the Flask application will:
 - Insert the provided user data into the users table within the database.db SQLite database.
 - Return an HTTP 200 OK response.
 - Return a json body of {"msg": "User Registered"}.
- If the email already exists, the server will return {"msg": "Email already Exist"}.

- If any of the required fields are missing, the server will return {"msg": "All fields are required"}

1. SQL Injection (Moderate Severity)

- **Affected Endpoints:** /client_registration, /client_login
- **Description:**
 - The application constructs SQL queries through string concatenation of user-supplied data (input - email, username). This pattern introduces a direct SQL injection vulnerability.
 - Specifically, the queries used to check for existing email addresses during registration and to authenticate users during login are susceptible.
- **Impact:**
 - Potential for unauthorized data retrieval, modification, or deletion.
 - Compromised database integrity.
- **Recommendation:**
 - Implement parameterized queries or prepared statements to ensure proper separation of SQL code and user-provided data.

2. Insufficient Password Hashing (Critical Severity)

- **Affected Endpoints:** /client_registration, /client_login
- **Description:**
 - Passwords are stored in plaintext within the database.
 - Login authentication performs direct plaintext comparison.
- **Impact:**
 - Complete exposure of user credentials in the event of database compromise.
 - Significant data breach risk.
- **Recommendation:**
 - Employ a robust, one-way adaptive hashing/encrypt algorithm for password storage.
 - Hash input passwords during authentication for secure comparison.

3. Insecure JWT Implementation (Critical Severity)

- **Affected Endpoints:** /client_login, /update_info
- **Description:**
 - Hardcoded, predictable JWT secret key ("123456").
 - The decodeNoneJwt function disables signature verification.
- **Impact:**
 - Token forgery, enabling unauthorized access to protected resources.
 - Complete compromise of authentication.
- **Recommendation:**

- Generate and securely store a ***cryptographically strong***, random secret key.
- Never disable JWT verification in production.

4. Inadequate Input Validation (Low Severity)

- **Affected Endpoint:** /client_registration
- **Description:**
 - Limited input validation; primarily checks for empty fields.
 - Lacks comprehensive validation for data formats (e.g., email, phone number).
- **Impact:**
 - Potential for data corruption and application instability.
 - Allows malformed data to persist in the database.
- **Recommendation:**
 - Implement stricter input validation using regular expressions or dedicated validation libraries.

5. Detailed Error Reporting (Low Severity)

- **Affected Endpoints:** /client_registration, /client_login
- **Description:**
 - Error messages provide specific details that could aid hackers in information gathering.
- **Impact:**
 - Increased attack surface through information leakage.
- **Recommendation:**
 - Implement generic error responses without specific details in production environments.
 - Maintain detailed error logs for debugging purposes, ***but restrict access.***