



Security Assessment

PKKT

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Summary

This report has been prepared for PKKT smart contracts, to discover issues and vulnerabilities in the source code of their Smart Contract as well as any contract dependencies that were not part of an officially recognized library. A comprehensive examination has been performed, utilizing Static Analysis and Manual Review techniques.

The auditing process pays special attention to the following considerations:

- Testing the smart contracts against both common and uncommon attack vectors.
- Assessing the codebase to ensure compliance with current best practices and industry standards.
- Ensuring contract logic meets the specifications and intentions of the client.
- Cross referencing contract structure and implementation against similar smart contracts produced by industry leaders.
- Thorough line-by-line manual review of the entire codebase by industry experts.

The security assessment resulted in findings that ranged from critical to informational. We recommend addressing these findings to ensure a high level of security standards and industry practices. We suggest recommendations that could better serve the project from the security perspective:

- Enhance general coding practices for better structures of source codes;
- Add enough unit tests to cover the possible use cases given they are currently missing in the repository;
- Provide more comments per each function for readability, especially contracts are verified in public;
- Provide more transparency on privileged activities once the protocol is live.

Overview

Project Summary

Project Name	PKKT
Description	An ERC20 token and a farm pool.
Platform	Ethereum
Language	Solidity
Codebase	https://github.com/pokket-finance/pkkt-contract
Commits	c2a34555df5a8d88520d7d5f9272116e7e6c3cd9

Audit Summary

Delivery Date	May 25, 2021
Audit Methodology	Static Analysis, Manual Review
Key Components	

Vulnerability Summary

Total Issues	11
● Critical	0
● Major	1
● Medium	0
● Minor	3
● Informational	7
● Discussion	0

Audit Scope

ID	file	SHA256 Checksum
PKK	PKKTFarm.sol	63a34a9ef111711689b0000b6b3d3cb67d296de5aa2595a34613d126b0a6d38a
PKT	PKKTToken.sol	08e27019b9d367420f2945343fd002030647c0a38f59f58e831a3017c2ff68b7

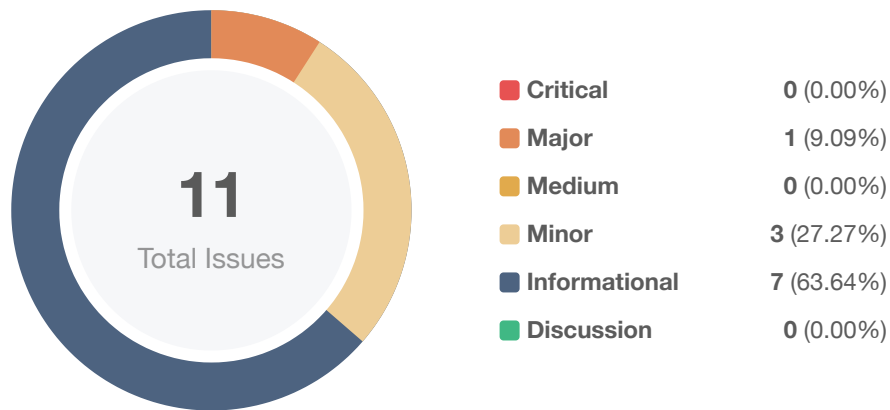
It should be noted that the system design includes a number of economic arguments and assumptions. These were explored to the extent that they clarified the intention of the code base, but we did not audit the mechanism design itself.

Additionally, financial models of blockchain protocols need to be resilient to attacks. It needs to pass simulations and verifications to guarantee the security of the overall protocol. The correctness of the financial model is not in the scope of the audit.

To bridge the trust gap between owner and users, the owner needs to express a sincere attitude with the consideration of the administrator team's anonymousness. The owner has the responsibility to notify users with the following capability of the administrator:

`minter` has the privilege to mint tokens.

Findings



ID	Title	Category	Severity	Status
PKK-01	Comment Typo	Coding Style	Informational	Resolved
PKK-02	<code>add()</code> Function Not Restricted	Volatile Code	Major	Resolved
PKK-03	Lack of Pool Validity Checks	Logical Issue	Informational	Resolved
PKK-04	Check Effect Interaction Pattern Violated	Logical Issue	Minor	Resolved
PKK-05	Set <code>immutable</code> to Variables	Gas Optimization	Informational	Resolved
PKK-06	Lack of Input Validation	Volatile Code	Minor	Resolved
PKK-07	Proper Usage of <code>public</code> and <code>external</code>	Gas Optimization	Informational	Resolved
PKT-01	Owner Capability	Centralization / Privilege	Minor	Acknowledged
PKT-02	Comment Inconsistency	Coding Style	Informational	Resolved
PKT-03	Comparison to A Boolean Constant	Gas Optimization	Informational	Resolved
PKT-04	Set <code>immutable</code> to Variables	Gas Optimization	Informational	Resolved

PKK-01 | Comment Typo

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Coding Style	● Informational	PKKTFarm.sol: 43	✓ Resolved

Description

The comment statement contains a typo in its body, namely `poitns`.

Recommendation

We advise that the comment text is corrected.

Alleviation

The team heeded our advice and resolved this issue in commit :
3dce140d4138199ceb6497eaf6059eda3b827990.

PKK-02 | `add()` Function Not Restricted

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Volatile Code	● Major	PKKTFarm.sol: 76	🟢 Resolved

Description

The comment in line L75, mentioned `// XXX DO NOT` add the same LP token more than once. Rewards will be messed up if you do.

The total amount of reward `pkktReward` in function `updatePool()` will be incorrectly calculated if the same LP token is added into the pool more than once in function `add()`.

However, the code is not reflected in the comment behaviors as there isn't any valid restriction on preventing this issue.

The current implementation is relying on the credibility of the owner to avoid repeatedly adding the same LP token to the pool, as the function will only be called by the owner.

Recommendation

We advise the client to detect whether the given pool for addition is a duplicate of an existing pool so that the pool addition is only successful when there is no duplicate.

To achieve this, for example, we advise using mapping of `addresses` -> `bools`, which can restrict the same address being added twice.

Alleviation

The team heeded our advice and resolved this issue in commit :
3dce140d4138199ceb6497eaf6059eda3b827990.

PKK-03 | Lack of Pool Validity Checks

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Logical Issue	● Informational	PKKTFarm.sol: 98, 129, 161, 183, 203, 224, 234, 244	✓ Resolved

Description

There's no sanity check to validate if a pool exists.

Recommendation

We advise the client to adopt following modifier `validatePoolByPid` to functions `set()`, `deposit()`, `withdraw()`, `emergencyWithdraw()`, `pendingPKKT()`, `compoundReward()`, `harvest()` and `updatePool()`.

```
1 modifier validatePoolByPid(uint256 _pid) {  
2     require (_pid < poolInfo.length , "Pool does not exist") ;  
3     _;  
4 }
```

Alleviation

The team heeded our advice and resolved this issue in commit :
3dce140d4138199ceb6497eaf6059eda3b827990.

PKK-04 | Check Effect Interaction Pattern Violated

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Logical Issue	Minor	PKKTFarm.sol: 227, 192	Resolved

Description

The sequence of external call/transfer and storage manipulation must follow a check effect interaction pattern. For example:

- Function `emergencyWithdraw()`

Recommendation

We advise the client to adopt `nonReentrant` modifier from openzeppelin library to the function `emergencyWithdraw()` to prevent any reentrancy issue or use the checks-effects-interactions pattern as follows. (LINK)

```
1 function emergencyWithdraw(uint256 _pid) public{
2     ...
3     uint amount = user.amount;
4     user.amount = 0 ;
5     pool.lpToken.safeTransfer(address(msg.sender), amount);
6     ...
7 }
8
```

Alleviation

The team heeded our advice and resolved this issue in commit :
3dce140d4138199ceb6497eaf6059eda3b827990.

PKK-05 | Set `immutable` to Variables

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Gas Optimization	● Informational	PKKTFarm.sol: 36, 46	✓ Resolved

Description

The variables `pkkt` and `startBlock` are only changed once in the `constructor()` function.

Recommendation

We advise the client to set `pkkt` and `startBlock` as `immutable` variables.

Alleviation

The team heeded our advice and resolved this issue in commit :
3dce140d4138199ceb6497eaf6059eda3b827990.

PKK-06 | Lack of Input Validation

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Volatile Code	● Minor	PKKTFarm.sol: 61	✓ Resolved

Description

The assigned values to `pkkt` should be verified as non-zero values to prevent being mistakenly assigned as `address(0)` in the `constructor()` function.

Recommendation

Check that the addresses are not zero by adding the following check in the `constructor()` function.

```
1 require(address(_pkkt) != address(0), "Zero address");
```

Alleviation

The team heeded our advice and resolved this issue in commit :
3dce140d4138199ceb6497eaf6059eda3b827990.

PKK-07 | Proper Usage of `public` and `external`

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Gas Optimization	● Informational	PKKTFarm.sol: 80, 102, 203, 224, 234	✓ Resolved

Description

`public` functions that are never called by the contract could be declared `external`.

Recommendation

We advise the client to use the `external` attribute for functions never called within the contract.

Alleviation

The team heeded our advice and resolved this issue in commit :

3dce140d4138199ceb6497eaf6059eda3b827990.

PKT-01 | Owner Capability

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Centralization / Privilege	● Minor	PKKToken.sol: 65	① Acknowledged

Description

The `minter` has the capability to mint tokens to any address through `mint()`.

Recommendation

To bridge the trust gap between owner and users, the owner needs to express a sincere attitude with the consideration of the administrator team's anonymousness. The owner has the responsibility to notify users with the following capability of the `minter`:

`minter` has the privilege to mint tokens.

PKT-02 | Comment Inconsistency

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Coding Style	● Informational	PKKToken.sol: 64	✓ Resolved

Description

The aforementioned comment states that “Must only be called by the owner” which is inconsistent with the codes below.

Recommendation

We advise that the comment text is corrected.

Alleviation

The team heeded our advice and resolved this issue in commit :
3dce140d4138199ceb6497eaf6059eda3b827990.

PKT-03 | Comparison to A Boolean Constant

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Gas Optimization	● Informational	PKKToken.sol: 66	✓ Resolved

Description

Comparison to a boolean constant.

```
1  require(minters[msg.sender] == true , "must have minter role to mint");
```

Recommendation

Consider removing the comparison to the boolean constant.

Alleviation

The team heeded our advice and resolved this issue in commit :
3dce140d4138199ceb6497eaf6059eda3b827990.

PKT-04 | Set `immutable` to Variables

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Gas Optimization	● Informational	PKKToken.sol: 19	🟢 Resolved

Description

The variables `_cap` is only changed once in the `constructor()` function.

Recommendation

We advise the client to set `_cap` as `immutable` variables.

Alleviation

The team heeded our advice and resolved this issue in commit :
3dce140d4138199ceb6497eaf6059eda3b827990.

Appendix

Finding Categories

Centralization / Privilege

Centralization / Privilege findings refer to either feature logic or implementation of components that act against the nature of decentralization, such as explicit ownership or specialized access roles in combination with a mechanism to relocate funds.

Gas Optimization

Gas Optimization findings do not affect the functionality of the code but generate different, more optimal EVM opcodes resulting in a reduction on the total gas cost of a transaction.

Logical Issue

Logical Issue findings detail a fault in the logic of the linked code, such as an incorrect notion on how `block.timestamp` works.

Volatile Code

Volatile Code findings refer to segments of code that behave unexpectedly on certain edge cases that may result in a vulnerability.

Coding Style

Coding Style findings usually do not affect the generated byte-code but rather comment on how to make the codebase more legible and, as a result, easily maintainable.

Checksum Calculation Method

The "Checksum" field in the "Audit Scope" section is calculated as the SHA-256 (Secure Hash Algorithm 2 with digest size of 256 bits) digest of the content of each file hosted in the listed source repository under the specified commit.

The result is hexadecimal encoded and is the same as the output of the Linux `"sha256sum"` command against the target file.

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