

Guide for developing rules

This guide explains how to write extension rules for the ReportingProxy ZAP add on.

1 - Writing rules:

To write new rules, the developer implements the Rule interface.

The rule interface is defined as follows:

```
public interface Rule {
    String getName();
    String getDescription();
    Violation checkViolation(HttpMessage msg);
}
```

- *String getName()* : The name of your rule. This name is used to represent the rule in the report and in alerts.
- *String getDescription()* : A description for the rule.
- *Violation checkViolation(HttpMessage msg)* : A violation test that returns a Violation object if there is violation of rule. If there is no violation, returns null. The method takes an *HttpMessage* as defined in *org.parosproxy.paros.network.HttpMessage*. We note that an *HttpMessage* contains both the request and response messages, it is up to the developer to enforce his rule on either or both of them.

```
public Violation(
    String ruleName,
    String description,
    HttpMessage triggeringMsg,
    List<HttpMessage> evidenceMessages) {
    this.ruleName = ruleName;
    this.description = description;
    this.triggeringMsg = triggeringMsg;
    if (evidenceMessages != null) {
        this.evidenceMessages = evidenceMessages;
    } else {
        this.evidenceMessages = new ArrayList<>();
    }
}
```

- *ruleName* : the rules name.
- *description* : the rules description.
- *triggeringMsg* : The HTTP message that triggered the violation alert.
- *evidenceMessages*: The HTTP message that contributed to the rule being violated.

2 - Compiling rules:

1- create a working space directory X and go to it

2- create the following hierarchy of directories :
org/zaproxy/zap/extension/reportingproxy/rules

3- Place your rules in X/org/zaproxy/zap/extension/reportingproxy/rules/ .

4 - Run the following commands:

```
javac -cp <ZAP.jar> <UserStory3Extension.jar> <rules_dir>/*.java  
jar cMf rules.jar org/zaproxy/zap/extension/reportingproxy/rules/*.class
```

5- The created JAR file rules.jar contains the rules to be loaded in ZAP.

Where :

- <ZAP.jar> the ZAP program in a JAR format, in our case this file can be found in "Group17/zaproxy/zap/build/libs/"
- <UserStory3Extension.jar> : The JAR of our compiled user story. This file can be found in zap-addons/addons/reportingproxy/build/libs/reportingproxy-1.jar after having compiled ran *zap-addons/gradlew clean build*

We note that we have provided a bash script to automatically compile our rules. The script is located in solutions/userstory3/build_rules.sh

3 - Loading policies to ZAP :

The developer is able to load his policies to ZAP by going to tools -> Policy Loader and selecting the .jar files of his policies. He should be presented with an alert message notifying him of the success (or failure) of the operation.