

# **Security Assessment**



# ether.fi – EigenLayer Slashing

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# **Project Summary**

## **Project Scope**

Project Name	Repository (link)	Commit Hashes	Platform
EtherFi smart contracts	etherfi-protocol/ cash-v3	Audit start: <u>PR 3</u> at <u>146c1831</u> Audit end: <u>PR 246</u> at <u>7b2c777a</u>	EVM

#### **Project Overview**

This document describes the manual code review of <u>PR 218</u>, <u>PR 239</u> and <u>PR 246</u> related to <u>EigenLayer's Slashing Feature Release</u> applied to ether.fi's <u>v2.49</u> release.

The work was a 5 day-effort undertaken from 08/01/2025 to 21/03/2025.

The following contract list is included in our scope:

- 1. src/EtherFiNode.sol
- 2. src/EtherFiNodesManager.sol
- 3. src/helpers/EtherFiViewer.sol
- 4. src/EtherFiRestaker.sol
- 5. src/EtherFiRedemptionManager.sol
- 6. src/Liquifier.sol

The team performed a manual audit of all the Solidity smart contracts. During the manual audit, the Certora team discovered bugs in the Solidity smart contracts code, as listed on the following page.



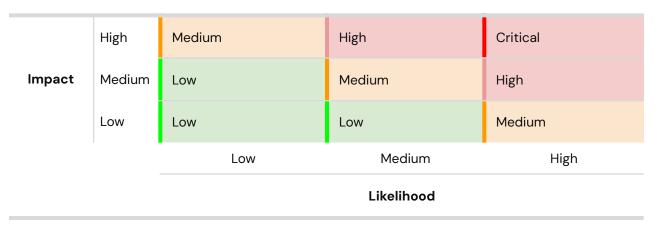


## **Findings Summary**

The table below summarizes the findings of the review, including type and severity details.

Severity	Discovered	Confirmed	Fixed
Critical	-	-	-
High	-	-	-
Medium	-	_	-
Low	-	_	-
Informational	4	4	1 full, 2 partial, 1 unfixed
Total	4	4	1 full, 2 partial, 1 unfixed

## **Severity Matrix**







## **Informational Severity Issues**

## I-O1. Delete rogue console.log imports

These shouldn't be deployed in production

#### Affected code:

• src/EtherFiNode.sol

```
# File: src/EtherFiNode.sol
EtherFiNode.sol:14: import "forge-std/console.sol";
```

• <a href="mailto:src/EtherFiNodesManager.sol">src/EtherFiNodesManager.sol</a>

```
# File: src/EtherFiNodesManager.sol
EtherFiNodesManager.sol:18: import "forge-std/console.sol";
```

Certora's fix review: Ok, fixed.





### I-02. Draft Dependencies

Draft contracts have not received adequate security auditing or are liable to change with future developments.

#### Affected code:

src/EtherFiRestaker.sol

```
# File: src/EtherFiRestaker.sol

EtherFiRestaker.sol:9: import
"@openzeppelin/contracts/token/ERC20/extensions/draft-IERC20Permit.sol";
```

src/Liquifier.sol

```
# File: src/Liquifier.sol

Liquifier.sol:9: import
"@openzeppelin/contracts/token/ERC20/extensions/draft-IERC20Permit.sol";
```

Certora's fix review: This remained unfixed.





#### I-03. Unused error definition

Note that there may be cases where an error superficially appears to be used, but this is only because there are multiple definitions of the error in different files. In such cases, the error definition should be moved into a separate file. The instances below are the unused definitions.

#### Affected code:

src/EtherFiNode.sol

```
# File: src/EtherFiNode.sol
EtherFiNode.sol:45: error CallFailed(bytes data);
```

• src/EtherFiNodesManager.sol

```
# File: src/EtherFiNodesManager.sol
EtherFiNodesManager.sol:105: error NonZeroAddress();
```

src/EtherFiRestaker.sol

```
# File: src/EtherFiRestaker.sol

EtherFiRestaker.sol:54: error StrategyShareNotEnough();

EtherFiRestaker.sol:57: error NotRegistered();

EtherFiRestaker.sol:58: error WrongOutput();
```

• src/Liquifier.sol

```
# File: src/Liquifier.sol
Liquifier.sol:96: error StrategyShareNotEnough();
```





Liquifier.sol:101: error NotRegistered();

Liquifier.sol:102: error WrongOutput();

#### Certora's fix review:

- Fixed for EtherFiNode.sol and EtherFiNodesManager.sol
- Unfixed for EtherFiRestaker.sol and Liquifier.sol





#### I-04. Event is never emitted

The following are defined but never emitted. They can be removed to make the code cleaner.

#### Affected code:

• src/EtherFiNodesManager.sol

• src/Liquifier.sol

#### Certora's fix review:

- Fixed for EtherFiNodesManager.sol
- Unfixed for Liquifier.sol





## **Appendix: Pull Request Risk Analysis**

## Updating EigenLayer libraries and interfaces after PR 679 is merged

While it could be thought that the libraries and interfaces are fixed, this isn't actually the case. The PR <a href="https://github.com/Layr-Labs/eigenlayer-contracts/pull/679">https://github.com/Layr-Labs/eigenlayer-contracts/pull/679</a> is still open and changing. As an example, this is the diff between <a href="src/eigenlayer-libraries/SlashingLib.sol">src/eigenlayer-libraries/SlashingLib.sol</a> and <a href="slashingLib.sol">SlashingLib.sol</a> in the PR:

```
diff --git a/src/eigenlayer-libraries/SlashingLib.sol
b/src/eigenlayer-libraries/SlashingLib.sol
index 56063cf..b6ce241 100644
--- a/src/eigenlayer-libraries/SlashingLib.sol
+++ b/src/eigenlayer-libraries/SlashingLib.sol
@@ -2,26 +2,28 @@
 pragma solidity ^0.8.27;
 import "@openzeppelin/contracts/utils/math/Math.sol";
-import
"@openzeppelin-upgradeable/contracts/utils/math/SafeCastUpgradeable.sol";
+import "@openzeppelin-upgrades/contracts/utils/math/SafeCastUpgradeable.sol";
-/// @dev the stakerScalingFactor and operatorMagnitude have initial default
values to 1e18 as "1"
-/// to preserve precision with uint256 math. We use `WAD` where these
variables are used
-/// and divide to represent as 1
+/// @dev All scaling factors have `1e18` as an initial/default value. This
value is represented
+/// by the constant `WAD`, which is used to preserve precision with uint256
math.
+///
+/// When applying scaling factors, they are typically multiplied/divided by
`WAD`, allowing this
+/// constant to act as a "1" in mathematical formulae.
 uint64 constant WAD = 1e18;
  * There are 2 types of shares:

    depositShares

         1. deposit shares
```





```
- These can be converted to an amount of tokens given a strategy

    by calling `sharesToUnderlying` on the strategy address

(they're already tokens
                 in the case of EigenPods)
             - These live in the storage of EPM and SM strategies
         2. shares
             - These live in the storage of the EigenPodManager and individual
StrategyManager strategies
         2. withdrawable shares
             - For a staker, this is the amount of shares that they can
withdraw
             - For an operator, this is the sum of its staker's withdrawable
shares
_ *
- * Note that `withdrawal.scaledShares` is scaled for the
beaconChainETHStrategy to divide by the beaconChainScalingFactor upon queueing
- * and multiply by the beaconChainScalingFactor upon withdrawal
             - For an operator, the shares delegated to them are equal to the
sum of their stakers'
               withdrawable shares
+ * Along with a slashing factor, the DepositScalingFactor is used to convert
between the two share types.
struct DepositScalingFactor {
     uint256 scalingFactor;
@@ -29,7 +31,6 @@ struct DepositScalingFactor {
 using SlashingLib for DepositScalingFactor global;
-// TODO: validate order of operations everywhere
 library SlashingLib {
     using Math for uint256;
     using SlashingLib for uint256;
@@ -70,14 +71,10 @@ library SlashingLib {
     function scaleForQueueWithdrawal(
         uint256 sharesToWithdraw,
         uint256 slashingFactor
         DepositScalingFactor memory dsf,
+
         uint256 depositSharesToWithdraw
     ) internal pure returns (uint256) {
         if (slashingFactor == 0) {
```





```
return 0;
}

return sharesToWithdraw.divWad(slashingFactor);
return depositSharesToWithdraw.mulWad(dsf.scalingFactor());
}

function scaleForCompleteWithdrawal(uint256 scaledShares, uint256 slashingFactor) internal pure returns (uint256) {
```

It'll be very important to not deploy with outdated libraries and interfaces.

**ether.fi's response:** Interfaces and libraries have been updated on the latest branch <a href="https://github.com/etherfi-protocol/smart-contracts/pull/239">https://github.com/etherfi-protocol/smart-contracts/pull/239</a>

Certora's response: Confirmed.





#### EtherFiNode.sol

Assumptions about pendingWithdrawalFromRestakingInGwei and completedWithdrawalFromRestakingInGwei

pendingWithdrawalFromRestakingInGwei and completedWithdrawalFromRestakingInGwei are getting deprecated and won't be used in the code anymore. They're currently used as internal bookkeeping, but also for state validations.

Without them, new behaviors that were prevented are now allowed.





processFullWithdraw can now be called any number of times without the limitation that completedWithdrawalFromRestakingInGwei introduced

This is the diff:

When isRestakingEnabled was enabled, each call to processFullWithdraw would induce a subtraction from completedWithdrawalFromRestakingInGwei. Now the EtherFiNodeManagerContract can call processFullWithdraw until \_numAssociatedValidators gets to O:

Additionally, the input parameter uint256 \_validatorId isn't used at all in the function, which means it should either be removed or validated.

ether.fi's response: you are correct that with misuse this variable could get out of sync. These changes are part 1 of a move where we will rely on eigenlayer's validator bookkeeping instead of our own. I don't believe there is a risk of lost funds here as we transition to this new model. In a followup release, we will deprecate \_numAssociatedValidators entirely





\_completeQueuedWithdrawals is now called without any validation around receiveAsTokens

The following is removed entirely:

This means that \_receiveAsTokens == false can be passed if there are pending withdrawals, and that \_receiveAsTokens == true won't be internally limiting the amount of calls to \_completeQueuedWithdrawals or checking if there are actually pending withdrawals.

The risks seem limited given the following code on EigenLayer:

```
File: DelegationManager.sol
         function completeQueuedWithdrawal(
517:
             Withdrawal memory withdrawal,
518:
             IERC20[] calldata tokens,
519:
520:
             bool receiveAsTokens
521:
         ) internal {
             require(tokens.length == withdrawal.strategies.length,
522:
InputArrayLengthMismatch());
             require(msg.sender == withdrawal.withdrawer,
523:
WithdrawerNotCaller());
             bytes32 withdrawalRoot = calculateWithdrawalRoot(withdrawal);
524:
525:
             require(pendingWithdrawals[withdrawalRoot],
WithdrawalNotQueued());
             delete pendingWithdrawals[withdrawalRoot];
548:
```





However it also means that if the case of a previously pendingWithdrawalFromRestakingInGwei == 0, this call here would now revert inside the DelegationManager.

As a side note, the following check is now redundant due to <a href="DelegationManager.sol#L523">DelegationManager.sol#L523</a>:

```
File: EtherFiNode.sol
228:         for (uint256 i = 0; i < withdrawals.length; i++) {
- 229:             require(withdrawals[i].withdrawer == address(this) &&
withdrawals[i].staker == address(this), "INVALID");
+ 229:             require(withdrawals[i].staker == address(this), "INVALID");</pre>
```

**ether.fi's response:** This logic was originally added specifically to rescue some funds that had their withdrawals queued incorrectly and we can now return to the original logic. We're fine with the ability to still complete the queued withdrawal for both shares and tokens.





#### splitBalanceInExecutionLayer()

While seemingly complex at first, the function is in fact quite straightforward.

One optimisation would be the following:

```
File: EtherFiNode.sol
                 for (uint256 i = 0; i < withdrawals.length; i++) {</pre>
331:
                      assert (withdrawals[i].strategies.length == 1); // only
332:
BeaconETH strategy is used
- 333:
                        for (uint256 j = 0; j < shares[i].length; j++) {
- 334:
                            withdrawal queue += shares[i][j];
+ 334:
                            withdrawal queue += shares[i][0];
- 335:
                        }
                 }
336:
```

This is due to the fact that we have assert (withdrawals[i].strategies.length == 1) and that shares is populated as follows in <a href="DelegationManager.sol#L924">DelegationManager.sol#L924</a>:

**ether.fi's response:** We opt to keep the original form and take the small gas optimization hit here for now.





#### withdrawableBalanceInExecutionLayer()

If we assume that only immediate balances can be withdrawn, and that an EtherFi node will never be the claimer for EtherFiRestaker, then this is probably correct.

However, I'd like to ask for a double check as if something isn't actually missing here.

```
/// @notice balance (wei) of this safe that could be immediately
withdrawn.
    ///
                 This only differs from the balance in the safe in the case of
restaked validators
                 because some funds might not be withdrawable yet due to
eigenlayer's queued withdrawal system
     /// @notice balance (wei) of this safe that could be immediately
withdrawn
    // This withdrawable balance amount is updated after completion of the
queued withdarawal with `receiveAsToken = True`
     function withdrawableBalanceInExecutionLayer() public view returns
(uint256) {
         uint256 safeBalance = address(this).balance;
         uint256 claimableBalance = 0;
         if (isRestakingEnabled) {
             IDelayedWithdrawalRouter delayedWithdrawalRouter =
IDelayedWithdrawalRouter(IEtherFiNodesManager(etherFiNodesManager).delayedWith
drawalRouter());
             IDelayedWithdrawalRouter.DelayedWithdrawal[] memory
claimableWithdrawals =
delayedWithdrawalRouter.getClaimableUserDelayedWithdrawals(address(this));
             for (uint256 x = 0; x < claimableWithdrawals.length; <math>x++) {
                 claimableBalance += claimableWithdrawals[x].amount;
             }
         return safeBalance + claimableBalance;
         return safeBalance;
     }
```





#### As a side note, there's a typo:

• withdarawal vs withdrawal

- // This withdrawable balance amount is updated after completion of the
queued withdarawal with `receiveAsToken = True`
+ // This withdrawable balance amount is updated after completion of the
queued withdrawal with `receiveAsToken = True`





### \_queueEigenpodFullWithdrawal()

The logic was quite simplified.

While we've established before that numAssociatedValidators now has an additional path to be desynchronized and forced to O or 1 by EtherFiNodeManagerContract if a path in the EtherFiNodeManager permits it (like, hypothetically, calling fullWithdraw several times), this here delegates most of the logic.

Some simplifications to note:

• withdrawableShares is unused and can be removed for clarity

```
- (uint256[] memory withdrawableShares, uint256[] memory depositShares) =
delegationManager.getWithdrawableShares(address(this), strategies);
+ (, uint256[] memory depositShares) =
delegationManager.getWithdrawableShares(address(this), strategies);
```

• typo withdarwal vs withdrawal

```
- // Note that the actual withdarwal amount can change if the slashing happens + // Note that the actual withdrawal amount can change if the slashing happens
```

• Unnecessary external calls to delegationManager.beaconChainETHStrategy():





This is because getStrategies() is hardcoded as such:

and that beaconChainETHStrategy is a public constant on DelegationManager:





## EtherFiNodesManager.sol

The changes are actually trivial here as only the use of middlewareTimesIndexes has been removed.





#### EtherFiViewer.sol

### EigenPod\_hasRestaked()

The change is quite big and introduces an assumption:

Given that hasRestaked became deprecated hasRestaked:

```
File: EigenPodStorage.sol
16: /// @notice DEPRECATED: previously used to track whether a pod had activated restaking
17: bool internal __deprecated_hasRestaked;
```

It should be correct, but we'd like to discuss how to be absolutely certain of that.

**ether.fi's response:** this is only used by our backend services and not by any contract code. We also now restake 100% of our validators. Since the pods can be re-used, it makes more sense to check if restaking is turned on at the etherfiNode level since it is guaranteed to be on at the eigenpod level ever since an upgrade they did last year.





#### EtherFiRestaker.sol

#### rewardsCoordinator

This variable is set in the constructor, and then the admin can set a claimer.

Given that proceed claims checks that either a claimer is set, or the claimer is the earner: there isn't a frontrunning attack vector here:

```
File: RewardsCoordinator.sol
         function processClaim(RewardsMerkleClaim calldata claim, address
recipient) internal {
             DistributionRoot memory root =
315:
distributionRoots[claim.rootIndex];
316:
             _checkClaim(claim, root);
             // If claimerFor earner is not set, claimer is by default the
317:
earner. Else set to claimerFor
             address earner = claim.earnerLeaf.earner;
318:
319:
             address claimer = claimerFor[earner];
             if (claimer == address(0)) {
320:
321:
                 claimer = earner;
322:
             }
```

This here seems safe but the whole behavior of the claimer is external to the protocol.

Given that the processClaim functionality has a push pattern (safeTransfer) instead of a pull pattern (safeTransferFrom), no approval seems to be missing.





#### undelegate()

This is quite complex. The function was too simplified, as if the whole business logic was now held on EigenLayer's DelegationManager. And, indeed, it seems to be the case:

```
File: DelegationManager.sol
             uint256[] memory slashingFactors = _getSlashingFactors(staker,
operator, strategies);
393:
394:
             // Queue a withdrawal for each strategy independently. This is
done for UX reasons.
             for (uint256 i = 0; i < strategies.length; i++) {</pre>
395:
                 IStrategy[] memory singleStrategy = new IStrategy[](1);
396:
397:
                 uint256[] memory singleDepositShares = new uint256[](1);
398:
                 uint256[] memory singleSlashingFactor = new uint256[](1);
                 singleStrategy[0] = strategies[i];
399:
                 singleDepositShares[0] = depositedShares[i];
400:
                 singleSlashingFactor[0] = slashingFactors[i];
401:
402:
403:
                 // Remove shares from staker's strategies and place
strategies/shares in queue.
404:
                 // The operator's delegated shares are also reduced.
                 withdrawalRoots[i] = _removeSharesAndQueueWithdrawal({
405:
```

We're still nevertheless sceptical about the following line's removal:

```
_queueWithdrawlsByShares(address(lido), shares);
```

It also seems that, previously, withdrawalRoots.length == 0 was enforced, but now the opposite is expected, probably simply because the logic was moved.





Still, we're not certain about the correctness of the lack of this call, even if it looks indeed redundant:

ether.fi's response: The removal of \_queueWithdrawlsByShares is based on the implementation of EigenLayer.DelegationManager's undelegate. It initiates the withdrawals of all shares (https://github.com/Layr-Labs/eigenlayer-contracts/blob/slashing-magnitudes-fixes/src/contracts/core/DelegationManager.sol#L4O3-L4O4). That is, EtherFiRestaker does not need to handle it.





### getTotalPooledEtherSplits()

The following changed:

```
@@ -320,21 +261,24 @@ contract EtherFiRestaker is Initializable,
UUPSUpgradeable, OwnableUpgradeable,
         TokenInfo memory info = tokenInfos[ token];
         if (info.elStrategy != IStrategy(address(0))) {
             uint256 restakedTokenAmount = getRestakedAmount( token);
             restaked = liquifier.quoteByFairValue( token,
restakedTokenAmount); /// restaked & pending for withdrawals
             unrestaking =
getEthAmountInEigenLayerPendingForWithdrawals( token);
             uint256 unrestakingTokenAmount =
getAmountInEigenLayerPendingForWithdrawals( token);
             restaked = liquifier.quoteByFairValue( token,
restakedTokenAmount); // restaked & pending for withdrawals
             unrestaking = liquifier.quoteByFairValue( token,
unrestakingTokenAmount); // restaked & pending for withdrawals
         holding = liquifier.quoteByFairValue( token,
IERC20( token).balanceOf(address(this))); /// eth value for erc20 holdings
         pendingForWithdrawals = getEthAmountPendingForRedemption( token);
         pendingForWithdrawals = liquifier.quoteByFairValue( token,
getAmountPendingForRedemption( token));
```

getEthAmountInEigenLayerPendingForWithdrawals was simply renamed getAmountPendingForRedemption without any change of functionality (trivial change). However, while the computation for restaked stayed the same, unrestaking changed, and the returned value pendingForWithdrawals changed too:





```
- unrestaking =
getEthAmountInEigenLayerPendingForWithdrawals(_token);
+ uint256 unrestakingTokenAmount =
getAmountInEigenLayerPendingForWithdrawals(_token);
+ unrestaking = liquifier.quoteByFairValue(_token,
unrestakingTokenAmount); // restaked & pending for withdrawals
```

```
pendingForWithdrawals = getEthAmountPendingForRedemption(_token);
pendingForWithdrawals = liquifier.quoteByFairValue(_token,
getAmountPendingForRedemption(_token));
```

We need an explanation regarding this change.

**ether.fi's response:** the role of the function getTotalPooledEtherSplits remains identical. it needs to account ALL of its stETH holdings which can have 4 different states:

- holding: EtherFiRestaker is just holding it as an ERC20 balance
- restaked: EtherFiRestaker has deployed it to be reestaked to EigenLayer
- unrestaking: EtherFiRestaker has initiated the withdrawal of the restaked stETH from EigenLayer, it is in the queue
- pendingForWithdrawals: EtherFiRestaker has initiated the redemption of stETH for ETH from Lido

In the previous implementation:

(unrestaking, pendingForWithdrawals) was not using liquifier.quoteByFairValue.
 now we enforce it





## EtherFiRedemptionManager.sol

The change here is related to the use of roleRegistry (going from onlyOwner to onlyProtocolUpgrader).

No concerns to be raised.

## Liquifier.sol

The change here is trivial (removing an event).

No concerns to be raised.





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