# Assignment 2 Professional Ethical Hacking Report

Utilising the report writing skills acquired in assignment 1 you are tasked with writing a professional penetrating testing report.

## [Section 1 Vulnerabilities]

You must choose 10 vulnerabilities from Security Shepherd and use some of the skills learned from assignment 1 for each of the vulnerabilities you must do the following;

- 1. Assign an appropriate title to the vulnerability referring to the OWASP Top 10 (title of the lesson/challenge)
- 2. Look up the CWE number of the vulnerability <a href="https://cwe.mitre.org/">https://cwe.mitre.org/</a> and include it in the title
- 3. Write a short description of what the vulnerability is
- 4. Document the reproduction steps in clear and concise wording including any additional software needed e.g. Burp Suite
- Assign a CVSS score using the calculator <a href="https://www.first.org/cvss/calculator/3.0">https://www.first.org/cvss/calculator/3.0</a>
- 6. Put the rating of the CVSS score in the title e.g. High: title [CWE-...]
- 7. Order each vulnerability in terms of risk \*according to the CVSS score
- 8. Take appropriate screenshots
- 9. Recommend a mitigation (look to the lectures or OWASP for recommended mitigations)

## [Section 2 Report]

The report must be formatted into a professional report which must include;

- 1. Heading page
  - 1. The UCD logo
  - 2. Title
  - 3. Product name (Security Shepherd)
  - 4. Product Version (v3.0)
  - 5. Penetration testers name (your name)
  - 6. Who the document is prepared for (Project Lead of Security Shepherd)
- 2. Consultant information page
  - 1. Your name
  - 2. Your student email
  - 3. Location of where you are based (UCD School address)
  - 4. Manager Name / Supervisors Name
- 3. Sensitive Information Page
  - 1. A notice and a warning stating that the document contains sensitive information

- 4. Index Page
- 5. Executive summary
  - 1. Lead penetration testers name (your name)
  - 2. Number of days testing (the amount of time you spent on this assignment)
  - 3. Test start and end date
  - 4. Application information
    - i. Release Date
    - ii. Project Contact (Project Lead of Security Shepherd)
  - 5. Findings Summary
    - i. Project Version
    - ii. Name of Application
    - iii. Number of Vulnerabilities
    - iv. Number of Vulnerabilities within the OWASP Top 10
  - 6. Severity Summary Defects rated from Low to Critical according to the CVSS score

## 6. Scope

- 1. State the levels / challenges that were attempted.
- 2. The time frame the testing was complete and time frame the report was complete
- 3. List of user roles in the system (username you log in with) and their authorisation
- 4. List of URLs

## 7. Test Cases carried out

- For each vulnerability state what test case from the OWASP Testing Guide v4 was used e.g. for SQL Injection you'd use; Input Validation -> OTG-INPVAL-005 Testing For SQL Injection
- 8. List of Vulnerabilities
  - 1. Start with the heading Critical and put all vulnerabilities rated as CVSS critical in there and work your way to Low
  - 2. Include all the information in Section 1
- 9. Recommendations and Conclusions
  - 1. Include any further recommendations to the development team
  - 2. Include your conclusions

# **EXAMPLE REPORT**

[UCD LOGO]

**Web Application** 

**Penetration Testing Report** 

**Product Name: Security Shepherd** 

Product Version: v3.0

Test Completion: 16/04/2021

Lead Penetration Tester: <your name>

Prepared for: Vsevolods Caka

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# **Executive Summary**

Severity	#Defects
Total Defects.	
Total Defects:	
OWASP Top 10:	
Findings:	
Project Contact: Nikita	a Pavlenko
Release Date:	
Application Version: v	3.0
Application Name: Sec	curity Shepherd
Project Information	
Test End Date:	
Test Start Date:	
Number of days testin	g: <amount of="" td="" time<=""></amount>
Lead Tester: <your na<="" td=""><td>me&gt;</td></your>	me>

Severity	#Defects
Critical	
High	
Medium	
Low	

# Scope

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The time frame the testing was complete and time frame the report was complete
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## **Test Cases**

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Input Validation: OTG-INPVAL-005 Testing For SQL Injection

## **Findings**

## High: Insecure Direct Object Reference in Lessons [CWE-639]

Insecure Direct Object Reference is where a malicious user can change the value of a parameter to bypass the authorisation of the application. The application fails to verify the authorisation for a target object in this case the 'username' parameter. Changing the value of the username will bypass the authorisation and allow an attacker to see other users details in the system for example the admin user.

## Steps to reproduce

- 10. Download and run Burp Suite <a href="https://portswigger.net/burp/download.html">https://portswigger.net/burp/download.html</a> (making sure you have Oracle Java Installed)
- 11. Utilising Firefox set the system proxy to route traffic through Burp "Open Menu" button in the right hand corner -> Advanced -> Network (tab) -> Connection "Settings Button" -> Manual proxy configuration. The default for Burp is 127.0.0.1 with a port of 8080
- 12. Got to Security Shepherd https://192.168.1.200
- 13. Confirm that Burp can see and capture requests and turn off intercept in Burp
- 14. Go to Lessons -> Insecure Direct Object Reference
- 15. Turn on intercept in Burp
- 16. Press the "Refresh your Profile" button in the lesson
- 17. You should see the request caught in Burp
- 18. Modify the value for the parameter "username" in the body of the request from "guest" to "admin"
- 19. Press forward in Burp
- 20. Go back to the lesson and you will see that you have become the admin

#### CVSS Score 7.2

Attack Vector	Network
Attack Complexity	Low
<b>Privileges Required</b>	None
User Interaction	None
Scope	Changed
Confidentiality	Low
Integrity	Low
Availability	None

## Mitigation

Relying on the value username as passed in the post request is an insecure method to determine levels of authorisation as this value is easily modified to gain access to another users account. It is

recommended that the session value JSESSIONID is utilised to determine levels of authorisation. This value is sudo random where it is not easily modified to gain horizontal or vertical access to another user's account.

# **Recommendations and Conclusions**

Write a summary of your findings. Include any further recommendations you might consider to secure the application.