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# Security Announcements

## [20260305] - Core - Arbitrary file deletion in com\_joomlaupdate

- **Project:** Joomla!
- **SubProject:** CMS
- **Impact:** High
- **Severity:** High
- **Probability:** Low
- **Versions:** 4.0.0-5.4.3, 6.0.0-6.0.3
- **Exploit type:** Arbitrary File Deletion
- **Reported Date:** 2026-03-16
- **Fixed Date:** 2026-03-31
- **CVE Number:** [CVE-2026-23898](#)

### Description

Lack of input validation leads to an arbitrary file deletion vulnerability in the autoupdate server mechanism.

### Affected Installs

Joomla! CMS versions 4.0.0-5.4.3, 6.0.0-6.0.3

### Solution

Upgrade to version 5.4.4 or 6.0.4

### Contact

The JSST at the [Joomla! Security Centre](#).


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