

[HCSEC-2026-07 - Vault May Expose Tokens to Auth Plugins Due to Incorrect Header Sanitization](#)

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Affected Products / Versions:

Vault Community Edition from 0.11.2 up to 1.21.4, fixed in 2.0.0.

Vault Enterprise from 0.11.2 up to 1.21.4, 1.20.9, and 1.19.15; fixed in 2.0.0, 1.21.5, 1.20.10, and 1.19.16.

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Summary

If a Vault auth mount is configured to pass through the “Authorization” header, and the “Authorization” header is used to authenticate to Vault, Vault forwarded the Vault token to the auth plugin backend. This issue, CVE-2026-4525, is fixed in Vault Community Edition 2.0.0 and Vault Enterprise 2.0.0, 1.21.5, 1.20.10, and 1.19.16.

Background

Vault auth methods allow operators to configure which headers to pass through to a plugin using [passthrough request headers](#).

Details

Due to a flaw in the request processing logic, Vault did not strip the Vault token from the forwarded header. Vault will now strip the Vault token used in the request to the auth plugin backends when making a request, even if the auth method is configured to pass through the header.

Remediation

Customers should evaluate the risk associated with this issue and consider upgrading to Vault Community Edition 2.0.0 or Vault Enterprise 2.0.0, 1.21.5, 1.20.10, and 1.19.16. Please refer to [Upgrading Vault](#) for general guidance.

Acknowledgement

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