WordPress Smart Slider 3 PRO Plugin 3.5.1.35 is vulnerable to a high priority Backdoor

High priority
Mitigate with Patchstack

3.5.1.35
Vulnerable version(s)

3.5.1.36
Patched version

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Risks CVSS 10

This vulnerability is highly dangerous and expected to become exploited. Vulnerabilities like this one are used in mass-exploit campaigns. Attackers use these

As immediate action, update the affected plugin. If you're unable to do so, ask your hosting provider or web developer for help.

Note by Patchstack

Refer to https://smartslider.helpscoutdocs.com/article/2144-wordpress-security-advisory-smart-slider-3-pro-3-5-1-35-compromise for cleanup assistance. Note that the mitigation rule does not prevent total exploitation of the malware that may have been embedded.

Known to be exploited! (KEV)

10 Backdoor

A backdoor is a malicious file which could allow a malicious actor to gain access and exploit your website at any time they desire. One example would be to execute a payload to inject advertisements on your website.

CVSS score is a way to evaluate and rank reported vulnerabilities in a standardized and repeatable way but which is not ideal for WordPress.

Solutions

We advise to mitigate or resolve the vulnerability immediately.

websites safe.

Patchstack has issued a mitigation rule to block any attacks until you have updated to a patched version.

Update to version 3.5.1.36 or later.

Update to version 3.5.1.36 or later to resolve the vulnerability. Patchstack users can turn on auto-update for vulnerable plugins only.

Details

Software	Smart Slider 3 PRO
Type	Plugin
Vulnerable versions	3.5.1.35
Patched in	3.5.1.36
OWASP Top 10	A3: Injection

CVE ID	Unknown
Patchstack priority	High
CVSS severity	10
Required privilege	Unauthenticated
Developer	Claim ownership ↗
PSID	048a6667c724
Credits	N/A
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VS Imunify360

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How does Patchstack mitigate vulnerabilities?

Documentation

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