

# About the security content of iOS 18.6 and iPadOS 18.6

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## iOS 18.6 and iPadOS 18.6

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### Accessibility

Available for: iPhone XS and later, iPad Pro 13-inch, iPad Pro 12.9-inch 3rd generation and later, iPad Pro 11-inch 1st generation and later, iPad Air 3rd generation and later, iPad 7th generation and later, and iPad mini 5th generation and later

Impact: Passcode may be read aloud by VoiceOver

Description: A logic issue was addressed with improved checks.

CVE-2025-31229: Wong Wee Xiang

### Accessibility

Available for: iPhone XS and later, iPad Pro 13-inch, iPad Pro 12.9-inch 3rd generation and later, iPad Pro 11-inch 1st generation and later, iPad Air 3rd generation and later, iPad 7th generation and later, and iPad mini 5th generation and later

Impact: Privacy Indicators for microphone or camera access may not be correctly displayed

Description: The issue was addressed by adding additional logic.

CVE-2025-43217: Himanshu Bharti (@Xpl0itme)

### afclip

Available for: iPhone XS and later, iPad Pro 13-inch, iPad Pro 12.9-inch 3rd generation and later, iPad Pro 11-inch 1st generation and later, iPad Air 3rd generation and later, iPad 7th generation and later, and iPad mini 5th generation and later

Impact: Parsing a file may lead to an unexpected app termination

Description: The issue was addressed with improved memory handling.

CVE-2025-43186: Hossein Lotfi (@hosselot) of Trend Micro Zero Day Initiative

## CFNetwork

Available for: iPhone XS and later, iPad Pro 13-inch, iPad Pro 12.9-inch 3rd generation and later, iPad Pro 11-inch 1st generation and later, iPad Air 3rd generation and later, iPad 7th generation and later, and iPad mini 5th generation and later

Impact: A non-privileged user may be able to modify restricted network settings

Description: A denial-of-service issue was addressed with improved input validation.

CVE-2025-43223: Andreas Jaegersberger & Ro Achterberg of Nosebeard Labs

## CoreAudio

Available for: iPhone XS and later, iPad Pro 13-inch, iPad Pro 12.9-inch 3rd generation and later, iPad Pro 11-inch 1st generation and later, iPad Air 3rd generation and later, iPad 7th generation and later, and iPad mini 5th generation and later

Impact: Processing a maliciously crafted audio file may lead to memory corruption

Description: The issue was addressed with improved memory handling.

CVE-2025-43277: Google's Threat Analysis Group

## CoreMedia

Available for: iPhone XS and later, iPad Pro 13-inch, iPad Pro 12.9-inch 3rd generation and later, iPad Pro 11-inch 1st generation and later, iPad Air 3rd generation and later, iPad 7th generation and later, and iPad mini 5th generation and later

Impact: Processing a maliciously crafted media file may lead to unexpected app termination or corrupt process memory

Description: An out-of-bounds access issue was addressed with improved bounds checking.

CVE-2025-43210: Hossein Lotfi (@hosselot) of Trend Micro Zero Day Initiative

## CoreMedia Playback

Available for: iPhone XS and later, iPad Pro 13-inch, iPad Pro 12.9-inch 3rd generation and later, iPad Pro 11-inch 1st generation and later, iPad Air 3rd generation and later, iPad 7th generation and later, and iPad mini 5th generation and later

Impact: An app may be able to access user-sensitive data

Description: The issue was addressed with additional permissions checks.

CVE-2025-43230: Chi Yuan Chang of ZUSO ART and taikosoup

## ICU

Available for: iPhone XS and later, iPad Pro 13-inch, iPad Pro 12.9-inch 3rd generation and later, iPad Pro 11-inch 1st generation and later, iPad Air 3rd generation and later, iPad 7th generation and later, and iPad mini 5th generation and later

Impact: Processing maliciously crafted web content may lead to an unexpected Safari crash

Description: An out-of-bounds access issue was addressed with improved bounds checking.

CVE-2025-43209: Gary Kwong working with Trend Micro Zero Day Initiative

## ImageIO

Available for: iPhone XS and later, iPad Pro 13-inch, iPad Pro 12.9-inch 3rd generation and later, iPad Pro 11-inch 1st generation and later, iPad Air 3rd generation and later, iPad 7th generation and later, and iPad mini 5th generation and later

Impact: Processing a maliciously crafted image may result in disclosure of process memory

Description: An out-of-bounds read was addressed with improved input validation.

CVE-2025-43226

## Kernel

Available for: iPhone XS and later, iPad Pro 13-inch, iPad Pro 12.9-inch 3rd generation and later, iPad Pro 11-inch 1st generation and later, iPad Air 3rd generation and later, iPad 7th generation and later, and iPad mini 5th generation and later

Impact: An app may be able to cause unexpected system termination

Description: A double free issue was addressed with improved memory management.

CVE-2025-43282: Christian Kohlschütter

Entry added October 15, 2025

## libnetcore

Available for: iPhone XS and later, iPad Pro 13-inch, iPad Pro 12.9-inch 3rd generation and later, iPad Pro 11-inch 1st generation and later, iPad Air 3rd generation and later, iPad 7th generation and later, and iPad mini 5th generation and later

Impact: Processing a file may lead to memory corruption

Description: This issue was addressed with improved memory handling.

CVE-2025-43202: Brian Carpenter

## libxml2

Available for: iPhone XS and later, iPad Pro 13-inch, iPad Pro 12.9-inch 3rd generation and later, iPad Pro 11-inch 1st generation and later, iPad Air 3rd generation and later, iPad 7th generation and later, and iPad mini 5th generation and later

Impact: Processing a file may lead to memory corruption

Description: This is a vulnerability in open source code and Apple Software is among the affected projects. The CVE-ID was assigned by a third party. Learn more about the issue and CVE-ID at [cve.org](https://cve.org).

CVE-2025-7425: Sergei Glazunov of Google Project Zero

## libxslt

Available for: iPhone XS and later, iPad Pro 13-inch, iPad Pro 12.9-inch 3rd generation and later, iPad Pro 11-inch 1st generation and later, iPad Air 3rd generation and later, iPad 7th generation and later, and iPad mini 5th generation and later

Impact: Processing maliciously crafted web content may lead to memory corruption

Description: This is a vulnerability in open source code and Apple Software is among the affected projects. The CVE-ID was assigned by a third party. Learn more about the issue and CVE-ID at [cve.org](https://cve.org).

CVE-2025-7424: Ivan Fratric of Google Project Zero

## Mail Drafts

Available for: iPhone XS and later, iPad Pro 13-inch, iPad Pro 12.9-inch 3rd generation and later, iPad Pro 11-inch 1st generation and later, iPad Air 3rd generation and later, iPad 7th generation and later, and iPad mini 5th generation and later

Impact: Remote content may be loaded even when the 'Load Remote Images' setting is turned off

Description: This issue was addressed through improved state management.

CVE-2025-31276: Himanshu Bharti (@Xpl0itme)

## Mail Drafts

Available for: iPhone XS and later, iPad Pro 13-inch, iPad Pro 12.9-inch 3rd generation and later, iPad Pro 11-inch 1st generation and later, iPad Air 3rd generation and later, iPad 7th generation and later, and iPad mini 5th generation and later

Impact: Forwarding an email could display remote images in Mail in Lockdown Mode

Description: The issue was resolved by not loading remote images

CVE-2025-43280: Himanshu Bharti @Xpl0itme

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## Metal

Available for: iPhone XS and later, iPad Pro 13-inch, iPad Pro 12.9-inch 3rd generation and later, iPad Pro 11-inch 1st generation and later, iPad Air 3rd generation and later, iPad 7th generation and later, and iPad mini 5th generation and later

Impact: Processing a maliciously crafted texture may lead to unexpected app termination

Description: Multiple memory corruption issues were addressed with improved input validation.

CVE-2025-43234: Vlad Stolyarov of Google's Threat Analysis Group

## Model I/O

Available for: iPhone XS and later, iPad Pro 13-inch, iPad Pro 12.9-inch 3rd generation and later, iPad Pro 11-inch 1st generation and later, iPad Air 3rd generation and later, iPad 7th generation and later, and iPad mini 5th generation and later

Impact: Processing a maliciously crafted media file may lead to unexpected app termination or corrupt process memory

Description: An out-of-bounds access issue was addressed with improved bounds checking.

CVE-2025-43224: Michael DePlante (@izobashi) of Trend Micro Zero Day Initiative

CVE-2025-43221: Michael DePlante (@izobashi) of Trend Micro Zero Day Initiative

## Model I/O

Available for: iPhone XS and later, iPad Pro 13-inch, iPad Pro 12.9-inch 3rd generation and later, iPad Pro 11-inch 1st generation and later, iPad Air 3rd generation and later, iPad 7th generation and later, and iPad mini 5th generation and later

Impact: Processing a maliciously crafted file may lead to unexpected app termination

Description: An input validation issue was addressed with improved memory handling.

CVE-2025-31281: Michael DePlante (@izobashi) of Trend Micro Zero Day Initiative

## SQLite

Available for: iPhone XS and later, iPad Pro 13-inch, iPad Pro 12.9-inch 3rd generation and later, iPad Pro 11-inch 1st generation and later, iPad Air 3rd generation and later, iPad 7th generation and later, and iPad mini 5th generation and later

Impact: Processing a file may lead to memory corruption

Description: This is a vulnerability in open source code and Apple Software is among the affected projects. The CVE-ID was assigned by a third party. Learn more about the issue and CVE-ID at [cve.org](https://cve.org).

CVE-2025-6965

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## WebKit

Available for: iPhone XS and later, iPad Pro 13-inch, iPad Pro 12.9-inch 3rd generation and later, iPad Pro 11-inch 1st generation and later, iPad Air 3rd generation and later, iPad 7th generation and later, and iPad mini 5th generation and later

Impact: Visiting a malicious website may lead to address bar spoofing

Description: The issue was addressed with improved UI.

WebKit Bugzilla: 294374

CVE-2025-43228: Jaydev Ahire

## WebKit

Available for: iPhone XS and later, iPad Pro 13-inch, iPad Pro 12.9-inch 3rd generation and later, iPad Pro 11-inch 1st generation and later, iPad Air 3rd generation and later, iPad 7th generation and later, and iPad mini 5th generation and later

Impact: Processing maliciously crafted web content may disclose sensitive user information

Description: This issue was addressed through improved state management.

WebKit Bugzilla: 292888

CVE-2025-43227: Gilad Moav, Yehuda Afek, Anat Bremler-Barr, and Amit Klein

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## WebKit

Available for: iPhone XS and later, iPad Pro 13-inch, iPad Pro 12.9-inch 3rd generation and later, iPad Pro 11-inch 1st generation and later, iPad Air 3rd generation and later, iPad 7th generation and later, and iPad mini 5th generation and later

Impact: Processing maliciously crafted web content may lead to memory corruption

Description: The issue was addressed with improved memory handling.

WebKit Bugzilla: 291742

CVE-2025-31278: Yuhao Hu, Yan Kang, Chenggang Wu, and Xiaojie Wei

WebKit Bugzilla: 291745

CVE-2025-31277: Yuhao Hu, Yan Kang, Chenggang Wu, and Xiaojie Wei

WebKit Bugzilla: 293579

CVE-2025-31273: Yuhao Hu, Yan Kang, Chenggang Wu, and Xiaojie Wei

## WebKit

Available for: iPhone XS and later, iPad Pro 13-inch, iPad Pro 12.9-inch 3rd generation and later, iPad Pro 11-inch 1st generation and later, iPad Air 3rd generation and later, iPad 7th generation and later, and iPad mini 5th generation and later

Impact: Processing maliciously crafted web content may lead to an unexpected Safari crash

Description: The issue was addressed with improved memory handling.

WebKit Bugzilla: 292599

CVE-2025-43214: shandikri working with Trend Micro Zero Day Initiative, Google V8 Security Team

WebKit Bugzilla: 292621

CVE-2025-43213: Google V8 Security Team

WebKit Bugzilla: 293197

CVE-2025-43212: Nan Wang (@eternalsakura13) and Ziling Chen

## WebKit

Available for: iPhone XS and later, iPad Pro 13-inch, iPad Pro 12.9-inch 3rd generation and later, iPad Pro 11-inch 1st generation and later, iPad Air 3rd generation and later, iPad 7th generation and later, and iPad mini 5th generation and later

Impact: Processing web content may lead to a denial-of-service

Description: The issue was addressed with improved memory handling.

WebKit Bugzilla: 293730

CVE-2025-43211: Yuhao Hu, Yan Kang, Chenggang Wu, and Xiaojie Wei

## WebKit

Available for: iPhone XS and later, iPad Pro 13-inch, iPad Pro 12.9-inch 3rd generation and later, iPad Pro 11-inch 1st generation and later, iPad Air 3rd generation and later, iPad 7th generation and later, and iPad mini 5th generation and later

Impact: Processing maliciously crafted web content may disclose internal states of the app

Description: An out-of-bounds read was addressed with improved input validation.

WebKit Bugzilla: 294182

CVE-2025-43265: HexRabbit (@h3xr4bb1t) from DEVCORE Research Team

## WebKit

Available for: iPhone XS and later, iPad Pro 13-inch, iPad Pro 12.9-inch 3rd generation and later, iPad Pro 11-inch 1st generation and later, iPad Air 3rd generation and later, iPad 7th generation and later, and iPad mini 5th generation and later

Impact: Processing maliciously crafted web content may lead to an unexpected Safari crash

Description: A use-after-free issue was addressed with improved memory management.

WebKit Bugzilla: 295382

CVE-2025-43216: Ignacio Sanmillan (@ulexec)

## WebKit

Available for: iPhone XS and later, iPad Pro 13-inch, iPad Pro 12.9-inch 3rd generation and later, iPad Pro 11-inch 1st generation and later, iPad Air 3rd generation and later, iPad 7th generation and later, and iPad mini 5th generation and later

Impact: Processing maliciously crafted web content may lead to an unexpected Safari crash

Description: This is a vulnerability in open source code and Apple Software is among the affected projects. The CVE-ID was assigned by a third party. Learn more about the issue and CVE-ID at [cve.org](https://cve.org).

WebKit Bugzilla: 296459

CVE-2025-6558: Clément Lecigne and Vlad Stolyarov of Google's Threat Analysis Group

## Additional recognition

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