

## MODULE

# WordPress WPLMS Theme Privilege Escalation

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## Description

The WordPress WPLMS theme from version 1.5.2 to 1.8.4.1 allows an authenticated user of any user level to set any system option due to a lack of validation in the `import_data` function of `/includes/func.php`.

The module first changes the admin e-mail address to prevent any notifications being sent to the actual administrator during the attack, re-enables user registration in case it has been disabled and sets the default role to be administrator. This will allow for the user to create a new account with admin privileges via the default registration page found at `/wp-login.php?action=register`.

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# References

[Source Code](#)

[History](#)

# Module Options

To display the available options, load the module within the Metasploit console and run the commands 'show options' or 'show advanced':

```
msf > use auxiliary/admin/http/wp_wplms_privilege_escalation
msf auxiliary(wp_wplms_privilege_escalation) > show actions
...actions...
msf auxiliary(wp_wplms_privilege_escalation) > set ACTION < action-name >
msf auxiliary(wp_wplms_privilege_escalation) > show options
...show and set options...
msf auxiliary(wp_wplms_privilege_escalation) > run
```

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