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Critical Vulnerability in Fortinet affecting FortiOS and FortiProxy (CVE-2024-55591)

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Revision History

Revision	Date	Author(s)	Description
1.0	14th January 2025	CSIRT-IE	Initial Advisory
1.1	15th January 2025	CSIRT-IE	Added to KEV, and reports of exploitation in the wild

Description

CVE ID: CVE-2024-55591

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Vendor: Fortinet

Product: FortiProxy, FortiOS

CVSS Score¹: 9.6

Products affected

Product	Version
FortiOS	7.0.0 <= 7.0.16
FortiProxy	7.2.0 <= 7.2.12
FortiProxy	7.0.0 <= 7.0.19

Impact

An authentication bypass using an alternate path or channel vulnerability [CWE-288] affecting FortiOS version 7.0.0 through 7.0.16 and FortiProxy version 7.0.0 through 7.0.19 and 7.2.0 through 7.2.12 allows a remote attacker to gain super-admin privileges via crafted requests to Node.js websocket module.

Please note that reports show this is being exploited in the wild.

¹ <https://www.first.org/cvss/v3.0/specification-document>

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Common Weakness Enumeration (CWE)²: CWE-288: Execute unauthorized code or commands

Known Exploited Vulnerability (KEV) catalog³: Yes

Used by Ransomware Operators: N/A

Recommendations

The NCSC strongly recommends installing updates for vulnerable systems with the highest priority, after thorough testing. Affected organisations should review the latest release notes, examine their systems for indicators of compromise within the below articles and install the relevant updates from Fortinet.

- <https://nvd.nist.gov/vuln/detail/CVE-2024-55591>
- <https://www.cve.org/CVERecord?id=CVE-2024-55591>
- <https://fortiguard.fortinet.com/psirt/FG-IR-24-535>

² <https://cwe.mitre.org>

³ <https://www.cisa.gov/known-exploited-vulnerabilities-catalog>