



# Windows Encrypted File System (EFS) Elevation of Privilege Vulnerability

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## Summary

<b>CVE</b>	CVE-2026-26153
<b>State</b>	PUBLISHED
<b>Assigner</b>	microsoft
<b>Source Priority</b>	CVE Program / NVD first with legacy fallback
<b>Published</b>	2026-04-14 18:16:46 UTC
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<b>Description</b>	Out-of-bounds read in Windows Encrypting File System (EFS) allows an authorized attacker to elevate privileges locally.

## Risk And Classification

**Primary CVSS:** v3.1 7.8 HIGH from secure@microsoft.com

**CVSS:** 3.1/AV:L/AC:L/PR:L/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:H/A:H

**EPSS:** 0.000490000 probability, percentile 0.152010000 (date 2026-04-24)

**Problem Types:** CWE-125 | CWE-125 CWE-125: Out-of-bounds Read

Version	Source	Type	Score	Severity	Vector
3.1	secure@microsoft.com	Secondary	7.8	HIGH	CVSS:3.1/AV:L/AC:L/PR:L/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:H/A:H
3.1	CNA	CVSS	7.8	HIGH	CVSS:3.1/AV:L/AC:L/PR:L/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:H/A:H/E:U/RL:O/RC:C

## CVSS v3.1 Breakdown

Attack Vector

Local

Attack Complexity

Low

Privileges Required

Low

User Interaction

None

Scope

Unchanged

Confidentiality

High

Integrity

High

Availability

High

CVSS:3.1/AV:L/AC:L/PR:L/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:H/A:H

### NVD Known Affected Configurations (CPE 2.3)

Type	Vendor	Product	Version	Update	Edition	Language
Operating System	Microsoft	Windows 10 1809	All	All	All	All
Operating System	Microsoft	Windows 10 1809	All	All	All	All
Operating System	Microsoft	Windows 10 21h2	All	All	All	All
Operating System	Microsoft	Windows 10 21h2	All	All	All	All
Operating System	Microsoft	Windows 10 21h2	All	All	All	All
Operating System	Microsoft	Windows 10 22h2	All	All	All	All
Operating System	Microsoft	Windows 10 22h2	All	All	All	All
Operating System	Microsoft	Windows 10 22h2	All	All	All	All
Operating System	Microsoft	Windows 11 23h2	All	All	All	All
Operating System	Microsoft	Windows 11 23h2	All	All	All	All
Operating System	Microsoft	Windows 11 24h2	All	All	All	All
Operating System	Microsoft	Windows 11 24h2	All	All	All	All
Operating System	Microsoft	Windows 11 25h2	All	All	All	All
Operating System	Microsoft	Windows 11 25h2	All	All	All	All
Operating System	Microsoft	Windows 11 26h1	All	All	All	All
Operating System	Microsoft	Windows 11 26h1	All	All	All	All
Operating System	Microsoft	Windows Server 2019	All	All	All	All
Operating System	Microsoft	Windows Server 2022	All	All	All	All
Operating System	Microsoft	Windows Server 2022 23h2	All	All	All	All
Operating System	Microsoft	Windows Server 2025	All	All	All	All

### Vendor Declared Affected Products

Source	Vendor	Product	Version	Platform
CNA	Microsoft	Windows 10 Version 1809	affected 10.0.17763.0 10.0.17763.8644	custom 32-bit
CNA	Microsoft	Windows 10 Version 21H2	affected 10.0.19044.0 10.0.19044.7184	custom 32-bit
CNA	Microsoft	Windows 10 Version 22H2	affected 10.0.19045.0 10.0.19045.7184	custom 32-bit
CNA	Microsoft	Windows 11 Version 22H3	affected 10.0.22631.0 10.0.22631.6936	custom ARM64
CNA	Microsoft	Windows 11 Version 23H2	affected 10.0.22631.0 10.0.22631.6936	custom x64-bit
CNA	Microsoft	Windows 11 Version 24H2	affected 10.0.26100.0 10.0.26100.8246	custom ARM64

CNA	<a href="#">Microsoft</a>	<a href="#">Windows 11 Version 24H2</a>	affected	10.0.26100.0	10.0.26100.8246	custom	ARM64
CNA	<a href="#">Microsoft</a>	<a href="#">Windows 11 Version 25H2</a>	affected	10.0.26200.0	10.0.26200.8246	custom	ARM64
CNA	<a href="#">Microsoft</a>	<a href="#">Windows 11 Version 26H1</a>	affected	10.0.28000.0	10.0.28000.1836	custom	ARM64
CNA	<a href="#">Microsoft</a>	<a href="#">Windows Server 2019</a>	affected	10.0.17763.0	10.0.17763.8644	custom	x64-bit
CNA	<a href="#">Microsoft</a>	<a href="#">Windows Server 2019 Server Core Installation</a>	affected	10.0.17763.0	10.0.17763.8644	custom	x64-bit
CNA	<a href="#">Microsoft</a>	<a href="#">Windows Server 2022</a>	affected	10.0.20348.0	10.0.20348.5020	custom	x64-bit
CNA	<a href="#">Microsoft</a>	<a href="#">Windows Server 2022 23H2 Edition Server Core Installation</a>	affected	10.0.25398.0	10.0.25398.2274	custom	x64-bit
CNA	<a href="#">Microsoft</a>	<a href="#">Windows Server 2025</a>	affected	10.0.26100.0	10.0.26100.32690	custom	x64-bit
CNA	<a href="#">Microsoft</a>	<a href="#">Windows Server 2025 Server Core Installation</a>	affected	10.0.26100.0	10.0.26100.32690	custom	x64-bit

## References

Reference	Source	Link	Tags
<a href="https://msrc.microsoft.com/update-guide/vulnerability/CVE-2026-26153">msrc.microsoft.com/update-guide/vulnerability/CVE-2026-26153</a>	<a href="mailto:secure@microsoft.com">secure@microsoft.com</a>	<a href="https://msrc.microsoft.com">msrc.microsoft.com</a>	Vendor Advisory
CVE Program record	CVE.ORG	<a href="https://www.cve.org">www.cve.org</a>	canonical
NVD vulnerability detail	NVD	<a href="https://nvd.nist.gov">nvd.nist.gov</a>	canonical, analysis

No vendor comments have been submitted for this CVE.

There are currently no legacy QID mappings associated with this CVE.

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