



Polkit: polkit: denial of service via unbounded input processing through standard input

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Summary

CVE	CVE-2026-4897
State	PUBLISHED
Assigner	redhat
Source Priority	CVE Program / NVD first with legacy fallback
Published	2026-03-26 15:16:43 UTC
Updated	2026-03-30 13:26:50 UTC
Description	A flaw was found in polkit. A local user can exploit this by providing a specially crafted, excessively long input to the `polkit-`

Risk And Classification

Primary CVSS: v3.1 5.5 MEDIUM from secalert@redhat.com

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

EPSS: 0.000140000 probability, percentile 0.026450000 (date 2026-04-01)

Problem Types: CWE-770 | CWE-770 Allocation of Resources Without Limits or Throttling

Version	Source	Type	Score	Severity	Vector
3.1	secalert@redhat.com	Primary	5.5	MEDIUM	CVSS:3.1/AV:L/AC:L/PR:L/UI:N/S:U/C:N/I:N/A:H
3.1	CNA	CVSS	5.5	MEDIUM	CVSS:3.1/AV:L/AC:L/PR:L/UI:N/S:U/C:N/I:N/A:H

CVSS v3.1 Breakdown

Attack Vector

Local

Attack Complexity

Low

Privileges Required

Low

User Interaction

None

Scope

Unchanged

Confidentiality

None

Integrity

None

Availability

High

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Vendor Declared Affected Products

Source	Vendor	Product	Version	Platforms
CNA	Red Hat	Red Hat Enterprise Linux 10	Not specified	Not specified
CNA	Red Hat	Red Hat Enterprise Linux 6	Not specified	Not specified
CNA	Red Hat	Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7	Not specified	Not specified
CNA	Red Hat	Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8	Not specified	Not specified
CNA	Red Hat	Red Hat Enterprise Linux 9	Not specified	Not specified
CNA	Red Hat	Red Hat OpenShift Container Platform 4	Not specified	Not specified

References

Reference	Source	Link	Tags
bugzilla.redhat.com/show_bug.cgi	secalert@redhat.com	bugzilla.redhat.com	
access.redhat.com/security/cve/CVE-2026-4897	secalert@redhat.com	access.redhat.com	
CVE Program record	CVE.ORG	www.cve.org	canonical
NVD vulnerability detail	NVD	nvd.nist.gov	canonical, analysis

No vendor comments have been submitted for this CVE.

Additional Advisory Data

Source	Time	Event
CNA	2026-03-26T14:24:01.176Z	Reported to Red Hat.
CNA	2026-03-26T12:34:00.000Z	Made public.

Workarounds

CNA: Mitigation for this issue is either not available or the currently available options do not meet the Red Hat Product Security criteria comprising ease of use and deployment, applicability to widespread installation base or stability.

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

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