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CERT-MU Vulnerability Note

WinRAR Zero-Day Under Active Exploitation

Vulnerability Note: VN-2025-15

Date of Issue: 11 August 2025

Severity Rating: High

Systems Affected:

- WinRAR versions up to and including 7.12.

Description

The maintainers of the WinRAR file archiving utility have released an update to address an actively exploited zero-day vulnerability. The issue has been described as a case of path traversal affecting the Windows version of the tool that could be exploited to obtain arbitrary code execution by crafting malicious archive files.

When extracting a file, previous versions of WinRAR, Windows versions of RAR, UnRAR, portable UnRAR source code and UnRAR.dll can be tricked into using a path, defined in a specially crafted archive, instead of a specified path.

CVE Information

[CVE-2025-8088](#)

Workaround

Users are advised to update to the latest version of WinRAR.

More information about the update is available on:

https://www.win-rar.com/singlenewsview.html?&L=0&tx_ttnews%5Btt_news%5D=283&cHash=a64b4a8f662d3639dec8d65f47bc93c5

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