

WIBU CodeMeter Runtime (Windows)

Important Security Information (last update: 12.08.2026)

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Following critical security vulnerabilities within CodeMeter Runtime has been discovered lately.

CVE-ID pending

CodeMeter Runtime on Windows: Under certain conditions, a local privilege escalation could occur. CVSSv3.1 base score 7.8 (high).

Note: The CVE-ID for this vulnerability has been requested from MITRE and had not yet been assigned at the time of this publication. Reference: WIBU-SYSTEMS Security Advisory WIBU-103081, <https://www.wibu.com/en/support/security-advisories.html>.

Applicability to CodeMeter Runtime

CodeMeter Runtime is used in various Vector products as a critical component for license management. Affected are CodeMeter Runtime 8.x versions below 8.41a and CodeMeter Runtime 9.x versions below 9.10. Only Windows installations are affected by this vulnerability.

Risk analysis

Risk Category: High Risk

Justification:

According to WIBU-SYSTEMS, under certain conditions a local privilege escalation could occur in the CodeMeter Runtime on Windows. Details are provided in the WIBU-SYSTEMS Security Advisory WIBU-103081.

The vulnerability cannot be exploited remotely; an attacker requires local access with standard user privileges on the affected Windows system. Successful exploitation, however, allows an attacker to gain elevated privileges. The risk is particularly relevant for Windows systems that are shared by several users (e.g., terminal servers) and on which a Vector product with CodeMeter Runtime is installed. Vector products that use the affected CodeMeter Runtime are consequently affected by this vulnerability. It is important to note that while Vector uses these modules, the vulnerability is inherent to the CodeMeter components provided by WIBU.

Therefore, the residual risk for Vector products is assessed as High

Recommended actions

The vulnerability is resolved in CodeMeter Runtime 8.41a and 9.10. Ensure that the CodeMeter Runtime on Windows systems is updated to version 8.41a or higher (for 8.x) respectively 9.10 or higher (for 9.x). The update should be applied to all Windows systems on which the CodeMeter Runtime is installed as part of a Vector product - desktop installations as well as license servers. Systems running other operating systems are not affected by this advisory.