

## EXEC exploit in phpBB – fix

**Source:** <http://www.derkeiler.com/Mailing-Lists/securityfocus/bugtraq/2004-11/0238.html>

---

**From:** Paul S. Owen ([paul0x01\\_at\\_starstreak.net](mailto:paul0x01_at_starstreak.net))

**Date:** 11/18/04

To: <[bugtraq@securityfocus.com](mailto:bugtraq@securityfocus.com)>

Date: Thu, 18 Nov 2004 12:33:45 -0000

Following additional information supplied to us by a party other than "howdark.com" we can confirm the existence of a serious exploit in phpBB, in all versions below 2.0.11.

We will not post concept of proof information given the seriousness of this issue. Unfortunately howdark.com group have chosen to as a personal vendetta against phpbb.com.

We are preparing full, changed files and patch based releases which fix this issue (and several other bugs/issues). While we are testing this we urge all phpBB users to implement the fix given in the following announcement at phpbb.com:

<http://www.phpbb.com/phpBB/viewtopic.php?t=240513>

Please spread this information far and wide, all hosting providers if possible please inform your users. Anyone copying the howdark.com exploit \_please\_ ensure you also include details of the fix noted in the above post!

PS: Thanks to the bugtraq moderators for moderating out a previous post of mine, ta muchly for that :)