

Re: Site Security Scan

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alexr14@yahoo.com (Alex) wrote in message
news:<bf675d0a.0404051229.64a6a16a@posting.google.com>...

> Hi,
> I am trying to locate a product that will go to our specified URL and
> check the security on it. This product should locate any holes or
> breaches of security that it could find. We would like to get a
> certificate of some sort at the end to show our clients that our site
> is indeed secure, besides just getting SSL, which we already have.
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> Please recommend as many products as you know so that I can compare
> them. Please send your replies to alexr14@yahoo.com
>
> Thanks in advance!

Will split my response in four parts

A) Remote Products

There are two ways of going about it, and both should be needed in tandem, in the case of a web site

A.1) A remote penetration test attempting to find vulnerabilities that can be exploited due to your network, O/S, D/B et al. configuration. Since these are myriad, there are myriad tools out there which can be used

A.2) Web application review applications would try and attempt to find vulnerabilities in the web application built for the site, and will require administrative access...

B) On-site reviews

While penetration tests provide a detailed black box approach in finding vulns, they may not be enough to find all these vulns. In which case, an on-site review performed by a security expert with domain expertise in the technologies that you have deployed should work.

C) Certification

While generic certificates such as BS7799 might, noone will provide a certificate saying your web site is safe!!!

Hope this helps,

Regards

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Kindly post replies to the newsgroup itself