



# StaderLabs – NEARx Staking Reaudit

NEAR Smart Contract Security  
Audit

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# EXECUTIVE OVERVIEW

## 1.1 INTRODUCTION

StaderLabs engaged Halborn to conduct a security audit on their smart contracts beginning on August 29th, 2022 and ending on September 14th, 2022. The security assessment was scoped to the smart contracts provided to the Halborn team.

## 1.2 AUDIT SUMMARY

The team at Halborn was provided three weeks for the engagement and assigned a full-time security engineer to audit the security of the smart contract. The security engineer is a blockchain and smart-contract security expert with advanced penetration testing, smart-contract hacking, and deep knowledge of multiple blockchain protocols.

The purpose of this audit is to:

- Ensure that smart contract functions operate as intended
- Identify potential security issues with the smart contracts

In summary, Halborn identified an improvement to reduce the likelihood and impact of multiple risks, which has been acknowledged by StaderLabs. The improvement is as follows:

- Replace vulnerable crates.

## 1.3 TEST APPROACH & METHODOLOGY

### RISK METHODOLOGY:

Vulnerabilities or issues observed by Halborn are ranked based on the risk assessment methodology by measuring the **LIKELIHOOD** of a security incident

and the **IMPACT** should an incident occur. This framework works for communicating the characteristics and impacts of technology vulnerabilities. The quantitative model ensures repeatable and accurate measurement while enabling users to see the underlying vulnerability characteristics that were used to generate the Risk scores. For every vulnerability, a risk level will be calculated on a scale of 5 to 1 with 5 being the highest likelihood or impact.

#### RISK SCALE - LIKELIHOOD

- 5 - Almost certain an incident will occur.
- 4 - High probability of an incident occurring.
- 3 - Potential of a security incident in the long term.
- 2 - Low probability of an incident occurring.
- 1 - Very unlikely issue will cause an incident.

#### RISK SCALE - IMPACT

- 5 - May cause devastating and unrecoverable impact or loss.
- 4 - May cause a significant level of impact or loss.
- 3 - May cause a partial impact or loss to many.
- 2 - May cause temporary impact or loss.
- 1 - May cause minimal or un-noticeable impact.

The risk level is then calculated using a sum of these two values, creating a value of 10 to 1 with 10 being the highest level of security risk.



- 10 - CRITICAL
- 9 - 8 - HIGH
- 7 - 6 - MEDIUM
- 5 - 4 - LOW
- 3 - 1 - VERY LOW AND INFORMATIONAL

## 1.4 SCOPE

NEARx contract from <https://github.com/stader-labs/near-liquid-token>  
commit IDs:

- d75c66f3561530aec068184ae634cdf2cade4cc3
- c667d1ddb7a71a34c6a15d855c14aa1050bac1f1
- edbbdcb04af6de10cd96f5a66c5ed081a6a1151c

## 2. ASSESSMENT SUMMARY & FINDINGS OVERVIEW

CRITICAL	HIGH	MEDIUM	LOW	INFORMATIONAL
0	0	0	0	1

### LIKELIHOOD

IMPACT

	(HAL-01)			

# EXECUTIVE OVERVIEW

SECURITY ANALYSIS	RISK LEVEL	REMEDATION DATE
USAGE OF VULNERABLE CRATES	Informational	ACKNOWLEDGED



# FINDINGS & TECH DETAILS

## 3.1 (HAL-01) USAGE OF VULNERABLE CRATES - INFORMATIONAL

### Description:

It was observed that the project uses crates with known vulnerabilities.

### Code Location:

ID	package	Short Description
<a href="#">RUSTSEC-2020-0071</a>	time	Potential segfault in the time crate
<a href="#">RUSTSEC-2020-0159</a>	chrono	Potential segfault in localtime_r invocations

### Risk Level:

**Likelihood - 2**

**Impact - 1**

### Recommendation:

Even if those vulnerable crates cannot impact the underlying application, it is advised to be aware of them and attempt to update them to a non-vulnerable version. Furthermore, it is necessary to set up dependency monitoring to always be alerted when a new vulnerability is disclosed in one of the project's crates.

### Remediation Plan

**ACKNOWLEDGED:** The [StaderLabs team](#) acknowledged this finding.



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