

# CYBER GUIDANCE ISSUE 00130

## APPLE EMERGENCY UPDATES

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IMPACT

LOW

MEDIUM

HIGH

EASE OF EXPLOIT

HARD

MEDIUM

EASY

### OVERVIEW

A significant vulnerability has been discovered by Google's Threat Analysis Group affecting Apple iPhone (iOS), iPad (iPadOS) and Apple Watches (watchOS) and is under known active exploitation.

### BREAKDOWN

Affecting the WebKit on Appled devices, attackers could carry out a number of actions, including forcing them to visit malicious websites. Details from Apple are limited but users are urged to install updates urgently for the following: iPhone 5s, iPhone 6, iPhone 6Plus, iPad Air, iPad mini 2, iPad mini 3, and iPod Touch (6<sup>th</sup> Gen). The patches are iOS 14.4.2, iPadOS 14.4.2 and watchOS 7.3.3.

### REMEDIATION STEPS

- Install patches immediately by visiting the Settings menu in your device and find it under General > Software Update. To update watchOS use the Apple Watch app.

### REFERENCES & RESOURCES

ZDNet

<https://www.zdnet.com/article/apple-releases-emergency-update-for-iphones-ipads-and-apple-watch>

We Live Security

<https://www.welivesecurity.com/2021/03/29/apple-rushes-patch-zero-day-flaw-ios-ipados/>

Apple

<https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT212146>