

# Vulnerabilities report

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Evince (Poppler)

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## I. Requester identification

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## III. Vulnerabilities listing

### A. Structure problems

Vulnerability identifier*	STRUCTURE
Editor*	Project Poppler
Relevant product(s) *	Evince
Relevant version(s) *	3.4.0 (Linux) using libpoppler 0.18.4
Description *	<p>Some PDF structures are supposed to be trees. Yet, the syntax allows describing unconstrained oriented graphs. It is thus possible to create malformed files leading to a 100% CPU use or a segmentation fault.</p> <p>The folder “structure” contains several malformed files, which may lead to different interpretation from readers, since the specification does not really cover their content.</p> <p>In particular, the product will crash in presence of malformed destination name tree (“destname” and “destname-auto” files). It will use 100% CPU in presence of a malformed outline tree (“outlines*” files) or in presence of a malformed page labels tree (“pagelabels2” and “pagelabels3” files).</p>
Class of vulnerability	Denial of service
Impact of the vulnerability	The program will consume a lot of CPU or crash.
Access vector	Local
Access complexity	Low
Authentication	None

<sup>1</sup> The person who has discovered the reported vulnerabilities

Confidentiality impact	None
Integrity impact	None
Availability impact	Complete
Indications to trigger the vulnerability*	Open the malformed file.
Comments	
CVE request*	Yes
TLP Level	<b>AMBER</b>

## B. Name lax interpretation

Vulnerability identifier*	NAMES
Editor*	Project poppler
Relevant product(s) *	Evince
Relevant version(s) *	3.4.0 (Linux) using libpoppler 0.18.4
Description *	<p>The product accepts invalid names (e.g. malformed escaped characters as in /Foo#0Z or long names). Instead of rejecting the file, it is rendered in a different way from other viewers (this particular example is “badescape”).</p> <p>Examples of malformed files are present in the “name” folder.</p>
Class of vulnerability	Rendering error
Impact of the vulnerability	Possible confusion when opening a file (especially confusing in case of a signed file).
Access vector	Local
Access complexity	Low
Authentication	None
Confidentiality impact	None
Integrity impact	Partial
Availability impact	Partial
Indications to trigger the vulnerability*	Open the malformed file.
Comments	This vulnerability is far from critical.
CVE request*	No
TLP Level	<b>GREEN</b>

## C. Generation number lax interpretation

Vulnerability identifier*	GENERATION
Editor*	Project Poppler
Relevant product(s) *	Evince
Relevant version(s) *	3.4.0 (Linux) using libpoppler 0.18.4
Description *	<p>The product accepts invalid (e.g. negative) generation numbers in indirect object references instead of rejecting the file containing such malformed generation numbers.</p> <p>Examples of malformed files are present in the</p>

	“generation” folder.
Class of vulnerability	Rendering error
Impact of the vulnerability	Possible confusion when opening a file (especially confusing in case of a signed file).
Access vector	Local
Access complexity	Low
Authentication	None
Confidentiality impact	None
Integrity impact	Partial
Availability impact	Partial
Indications to trigger the vulnerability*	Open the malformed file.
Comments	This vulnerability is far from critical.
CVE request*	No
TLP Level	<b>GREEN</b>

#### D. Number lax interpretation

Vulnerability identifier*	NUMBERS
Gnome Project ?	Project poppler
Evince	Evince
3.4.0 (Linux) using libpoppler 0.18.4	3.4.0 (Linux) using libpoppler 0.18.4
Description *	<p>The product accepts invalid numbers (e.g. exponential forms, not allowed by PDF specification). Instead of rejecting the file, it is displayed (the interpretation being not always evident).</p> <p>Examples of malformed files are present in the “numbers” folder.</p>
Class of vulnerability	Rendering error
Impact of the vulnerability	Possible confusion when opening a file (especially confusing in case of a signed file).
Access vector	Local
Access complexity	Low
Authentication	None
Confidentiality impact	None
Integrity impact	Partial
Availability impact	Partial
Indications to trigger the vulnerability*	Open the malformed file.
Comments	This vulnerability is far from critical.
CVE request*	No
TLP Level	<b>GREEN</b>