

# Schneider Electric Security Notification

## Modicon M218 Logic Controller

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### Overview

Schneider Electric is aware of a vulnerability in the Modicon M218 Logic Controller product.

### Affected Product(s)

Modicon M218 Logic Controller V5.0.0.7 and prior

### Vulnerability Details

CVE ID: **CVE-2020-7524**

CVSS v3.0 Base Score 5.9 | Medium | CVSS:3.0/AV:N/AC:H/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:N/I:N/A:H

A CWE-787:Out-of-bounds Write vulnerability exists which could cause Denial of Service when sending specific crafted IPV4 packet to the controller:

Sending a specific IPv4 protocol package to Schneider Electric Modicon M218 Logic Controller can cause IPv4 devices to go down. The device does not work properly and must be powered back on to return to normal.

### Remediation

This vulnerability is fixed in version Firmware V5.0.0.8 and is available by contacting your [Schneider Electric local support](#) or distributor.

**Note:** A reboot of the device is needed after update.

The following workarounds and mitigations can be applied by customers to reduce the risk:

- Setup network segmentation and implement a firewall to block all unauthorized access

### Product Information

The Modicon M218 programmable controllers provide an optimized solution to repetitive machines based on high speed counting and simple positioning features.

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## Product Category - All Categories

Learn more about Schneider Electric's product categories here: <https://www.se.com/us/en/all-products>

## How to determine if you are affected

Modicon M218 Logic Controller with Firmware V5.0.0.7 and prior versions are impacted

## General Security Recommendations

We strongly recommend the following industry cybersecurity best practices.

- Locate control and safety system networks and remote devices behind firewalls and isolate them from the business network.
- Install physical controls so no unauthorized personnel can access your industrial control and safety systems, components, peripheral equipment, and networks.
- Place all controllers in locked cabinets and never leave them in the “Program” mode.
- Never connect programming software to any network other than the network for the devices that it is intended for.
- Scan all methods of mobile data exchange with the isolated network such as CDs, USB drives, etc. before use in the terminals or any node connected to these networks.
- Never allow laptops that have connected to any other network besides the intended network to connect to the safety or control networks without proper sanitation.
- Minimize network exposure for all control system devices and systems, and ensure that they are not accessible from the Internet.
- When remote access is required, use secure methods, such as Virtual Private Networks (VPNs). Recognize that VPNs may have vulnerabilities and should be updated to the most current version available. Also, understand that VPNs are only as secure as the connected devices.

## For More Information

This document provides an overview of the identified vulnerability or vulnerabilities and actions required to mitigate. For more details and assistance on how to protect your installation, please contact your local Schneider Electric representative or Schneider Electric Industrial Cybersecurity Services. These organizations will be fully aware of this situation and can support you through the process.

<https://www.se.com/ww/en/work/support/cybersecurity/overview.jsp>

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