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## NCSC Alert

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### Critical Vulnerability exists in LiteSpeed Technologies LiteSpeed Cache Wordpress Plugin (CVE-2024-28000, CVSSv3: 9.8)

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## Description

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**Vendor:** LiteSpeed Technologies

**Product:** LiteSpeed Cache

**CVE ID:** CVE-2024-28000

**CVSS3.0 Score<sup>1</sup>:** 9.8

**EPSS<sup>2</sup>:** 0.095360000

For up to date EPSS score, click here: <https://api.first.org/data/v1/epss?cve=CVE-2024-28000>

**Summary:**

Incorrect Privilege Assignment vulnerability in LiteSpeed Technologies LiteSpeed Cache litespeed-cache allows Privilege Escalation in the popular Wordpress plugin.

## Products Affected

LiteSpeed Technologies LiteSpeed Cache

- All versions 1.9 <= 6.3.0.1

## Impact

**Common Weakness Enumeration (CWE)<sup>3</sup>:** CWE-266 Incorrect Privilege Assignment

**Present in CISA Known Exploited Vulnerability(KEV)<sup>4</sup> catalog:** NO

**Used by Ransomware Operators:** Not Known

## Recommendations

The NCSC strongly advises affected organisations to review their Wordpress configurations and review the latest release notes and install version 6.4 of the LiteSpeed Cache and any other the relevant updates.

Additional information can be found in the link(s) below:

- Patch Release Notes: <https://wordpress.org/plugins/litespeed-cache/#developers>
- Vulnerability summary: [https://patchstack.com/database/vulnerability/litespeed-cache/wordpress-litespeed-cache-plugin-6-3-0-1-unauthenticated-privilege-escalation-vulnerability?\\_s\\_id=cve](https://patchstack.com/database/vulnerability/litespeed-cache/wordpress-litespeed-cache-plugin-6-3-0-1-unauthenticated-privilege-escalation-vulnerability?_s_id=cve)
- Vulnerability details: [https://patchstack.com/articles/critical-privilege-escalation-in-litespeed-cache-plugin-affecting-5-million-sites?\\_s\\_id=cve](https://patchstack.com/articles/critical-privilege-escalation-in-litespeed-cache-plugin-affecting-5-million-sites?_s_id=cve)

<sup>1</sup><https://www.first.org/cvss/v3.0/specification-document>

<sup>2</sup>[https://www.first.org/epss/articles/prob\\_percentile\\_bins](https://www.first.org/epss/articles/prob_percentile_bins)

<sup>3</sup><https://cwe.mitre.org/>

<sup>4</sup><https://www.cisa.gov/known-exploited-vulnerabilities-catalog>

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