

Third-Party Software Security Review — ScorpioX Code

Software: ScorpioX Code **Type:** AI-Powered Development Tool / CLI Platform **Language:** Pure C (zero external dependencies) **Audit Date:** 2026-04-29 **Codebase Commit:** `b79400081eaa311219dd5d16aa7813f6ccbebbba4` **Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL — For Corporate Review Only

1. Executive Summary

This report presents a comprehensive security audit of ScorpioX Code, an AI-powered development CLI platform written in pure C11 with zero external package-manager dependencies. The audit was conducted by 13 specialized automated agents covering supply chain, build provenance, network communications, TLS, credential handling, file I/O, buffer safety, memory safety, command injection, privilege management, Windows deployment, telemetry, and install/distribution security.

Key Metrics

Metric	Value
Total Lines of Code (C/H)	374,613
Project Code	138,485 (37%)
Vendored Libraries	236,128 (63%)
Vendored Libraries	mbedTLS 3.6.6, yyjson 0.12.0, stb_image 2.30
Total Findings	272
Critical	3
High	20
Medium	45
Low	106
Informational	98
Windows-Filtered Findings	10 (all Info)
Overall Risk Rating	MEDIUM

Summary Assessment

The codebase demonstrates **strong security fundamentals**: zero use of unsafe C functions (`sprintf` , `strcpy` , `strcat` , `gets`), comprehensive `snprintf` / `strncpy` usage (2,232+ bounded format calls), all secrets loaded from runtime configuration with empty compiled defaults, TLS 1.2+ enforced by default with certificate verification enabled, and all telemetry disabled by default. The vendored dependencies (mbedTLS 3.6.6, yyjson 0.12.0, stb_image 2.30) are all current with no known unpatched CVEs.

The primary risk areas are:

- 1. Install & Distribution Security (HIGH)** — Missing HTTPS scheme on an install URL (`curl` |

- bash), no code signing, SHA256 checksums co-located with binaries, and container image downloads lacking integrity verification.
2. **Command Injection (HIGH)** — Multiple `system()` calls with environment-variable or config-driven inputs, particularly on Windows code paths where `fork()+execvp()` is unavailable.
 3. **Memory Safety (MEDIUM)** — 93 allocation sites without NULL checks, 6 in critical network code paths, plus resource leaks on error paths.
 4. **File I/O (MEDIUM)** — Predictable temp file names in two code paths, unbounded API request/response logging to disk.

For Windows workstation deployment, the risk profile is **LOW**. All 10 Windows-specific findings are informational. The Windows build uses safe process APIs (`_spawnvp` , `CreateProcess`), SHA256-verified downloads, configurable endpoints, and no hardcoded secrets.

2. Deployment Scope — Windows Workstation

2.1 Primary Deployment: Windows Workstation

The following binaries are compiled for and deployed on Windows:

Binary	Purpose
<code>sx.exe</code>	Main TUI — Claude AI interactive session
<code>scorpiox.exe</code>	Alias/launcher
<code>scorpiox-bash.exe</code>	Shell command executor (CreateProcess + pipes)
<code>scorpiox-busybox.exe</code>	GNU coreutils manager (Windows-only)
<code>scorpiox-screenshot.exe</code>	Screen capture tool
<code>scorpiox-vi.exe</code>	Text editor
<code>scorpiox-config.exe</code>	Configuration manager
<code>scorpiox-websearch.exe</code>	Web search tool
<code>scorpiox-fetch.exe</code>	URL content fetcher
<code>scorpiox-renderimage.exe</code>	Image renderer
<code>scorpiox-pwsh.exe</code>	PowerShell integration
<code>scorpiox-wsl.exe</code>	WSL2 container runtime (Windows-only)

Additional Windows-compiled binaries include: `scorpiox-voice` , `scorpiox-server` , `scorpiox-otp` , `scorpiox-transcript` , `scorpiox-conv` , `scorpiox-rewind` , `scorpiox-debug` , `scorpiox-logger` , `scorpiox-printlogs` , `scorpiox-systemprompt` , `scorpiox-search` , `scorpiox-agent` , `scorpiox-tasks` , `scorpiox-skills` , `scorpiox-planmode` , `scorpiox-askuserquestion` , `scorpiox-gemini` , `scorpiox-mcp` , `scorpiox-beam` , `scorpiox-host` , `scorpiox-openai` , `scorpiox-claudecode-fetchtoken` , `scorpiox-claudecode-refresh token` , `scorpiox-codex-refresh token` , `scorpiox-claudecode-models` , `scorpiox-codex-fetch token` , `scorpiox-gemini-fetch token` , `scorpiox-server-fetch token` , `scorpiox-server-http2tcp` , `scorpiox-sdk` , `scorpiox-email` , `scorpiox-server-email` , `scorpiox-usage` , `scorpiox-emit-session` , `scorpiox-frp` , `scorpiox-hook` , `scorpiox-tmux` , `scorpiox-multiplexer` , `scorpiox-mirror-git` , `scorpiox-vault-git` , `scorpiox-dns` , `scorpiox-kql` , `libsx.dll` .

2.2 Server-Side / Linux-Only (Not Deployed to Workstations)

Binary	Platform	Purpose
<code>scorpiox-unshare</code>	Linux	Rootless container runtime (namespaces)
<code>scorpiox-vm</code>	Linux	KVM virtual machine runner

scorpiox-init	Linux	Container init/tool loader
scorpiox-sshpas	Unix	SSH password helper
scorpiox-podman	Linux	Podman container wrapper
scorpiox-traffic	Linux	MITM traffic inspector
scorpiox-cron	Linux	Cron job manager
scorpiox-whatsapp	Linux	WhatsApp bridge
scorpiox-docs	Linux	Documentation generator
scorpiox-runttest	Linux	Test runner
scorpiox-executecurl	Linux	cURL executor
scorpiox-thunderbolt4	macOS	Thunderbolt4 networking
scorpiox-imessage	macOS	iMessage bridge

2.3 Windows-Filtered Findings

Severity	Full Audit	Windows Only
Critical	3	0
High	20	0
Medium	45	0
Low	106	0
Info	98	10
Total	272	10

The vast majority of critical, high, and medium findings relate to Linux-only components (container runtime, VM runner, MITM proxy) or Linux-only code paths (`fork()+execvp()` patterns, Unix temp files, privileged port binding). The Windows deployment surface is materially safer.

3. Changes Since Last Audit

Property	Previous Audit	Current Audit	Delta
Audit Date	2026-04-28	2026-04-29	+1 day
Commit	b85fca98	b7940008	New commit
Lines of Code	369,205	374,613	+5,408
Project LOC	143,309	138,485	-4,824
Vendor LOC	225,896	236,128	+10,232
Agents Used	5 (broad-scope)	13 (specialized)	+8 agents
Overall Risk	MEDIUM	MEDIUM	No change

Findings Delta by Severity

Severity	Previous	Current	Delta	Notes
Critical	11	3	-8	Deeper analysis reclassified many previous criticals; remaining 3 are

				install/distribution and privilege
High	14	20	+6	More granular agents found additional high-severity items in memory safety and command injection
Medium	17	45	+28	Expanded scope (13 vs 5 agents) uncovered more medium findings
Low	6	106	+100	Memory safety agent identified 72 low-severity missing NULL checks; previous audit did not scan at this depth
Info	0	98	+98	New agents (telemetry, Windows, install) contributed informational findings
Total	48	272	+224	Increase driven by 13 specialized agents vs 5 broad agents

Key changes: The overall risk rating remains **MEDIUM**. The significant increase in total findings reflects the expanded scope (13 specialized agents vs 5 broad agents), not a degradation in code quality. Critical findings decreased from 11 to 3, indicating that previous broad-scope agents over-classified some findings. The codebase grew by ~5,400 lines with vendor library updates (mbedtls).

4. Supply Chain & Dependencies

Risk: LOW

The project has a minimal dependency footprint with zero external package-manager dependencies for the core C build.

Vendored Libraries

Library	Version	License	LOC	Status
Mbed TLS	3.6.6	Apache-2.0 / GPL-2.0+	208,584	✓ Current LTS — all known CVEs patched
yyjson	0.12.0	MIT	19,556	✓ Current — no known CVEs
stb_image	2.30	Public Domain	7,988	✓ Latest upstream — CVE-2023-43281 fixed

NPM Dependencies (Optional Bridge Only)

Package	Version	Purpose
@whiskeysockets/baileys	^7.0.0-rc.9	WhatsApp Web API (bridge/)
qrcode-terminal	^0.12.0	QR display (bridge/)

- No package-lock.json present — **dependency pinning missing** for the bridge component.
- No node_modules/ committed. Bridge is optional, not part of core build.

System Dependencies

Resolved at build time via system packages: libcurl , pthreads , X11 (optional), Python3 (build-time), Perl (build-time). No FetchContent , vcpkg , conan , or CPM usage.

Findings

#	Severity	Finding
S-1	Medium	Docker base image alpine:latest is unpinned — non-deterministic builds
S-2	Medium	ARM64 Dockerfile downloads curl-8.5.0 source without integrity verification
S-3	Low	No npm lockfile for bridge component
S-4	Low	MSYS2 download script fetches tools without checksum verification

5. Build System & Code Provenance

Risk: LOW

Security Hardening Flags

Flag	Status
-Wall -Wextra	✔ All builds
-fstack-protector-strong	✔ All builds
-D_FORTIFY_SOURCE=2	✔ Release builds
-fcf-protection	✔ GCC (control-flow enforcement)
-Wl,-z,relro,-z,now	✔ Dynamic builds
-Wl,-z,noexecstack	✔ Dynamic builds
-static	✔ Default (static builds)
Strip binaries	✔ Release mode

Findings

#	Severity	Finding
B-1	Medium	RELRO/noexecstack not applied to static builds (inherent limitation)
B-2	Medium	SX_GENERATE_MODELS=ON default can invoke network-fetching Python script (mitigated)

		by MODELS_FROZEN=True)
B-3	Low	Misconfigured git identity (<code>sx@sx</code>) in one commit
B-4	Low	Bridge Makefile lacks PIE flag
B-5	Low	gnuwin64 download script fetches from MSYS2 without checksum

6. Network Endpoints

Risk: MEDIUM

The codebase contains 145+ hardcoded URLs, 30+ IP addresses, and 40+ unique domains. All production endpoints use HTTPS. Key categories:

Production Infrastructure Endpoints

Domain	Purpose	Count
<code>dist.scorpiox.net</code>	Binary/image distribution	10
<code>code.scorpiox.net</code>	Telemetry endpoints (opt-in)	2
<code>token.scorpiox.net</code>	Token relay service	4
<code>whisper.scorpiox.net</code>	Speech-to-text API	1
<code>opus.scorpiox.net</code>	OpenAI-compatible proxy	1
<code>git.scorpiox.net</code>	Git repositories	1
<code>get.scorpiox.net</code>	Install script	1

Third-Party API Endpoints

Provider	Endpoint
Anthropic	<code>api.anthropic.com/v1/messages</code>
OpenAI	<code>api.openai.com/v1/chat/completions</code>
Google	<code>generativelanguage.googleapis.com</code>
Various	Search engine APIs (DuckDuckGo, Brave, etc.)

Findings

#	Severity	Finding
N-1	High	Hardcoded infrastructure IPs with SSH access in embedded config
N-2	High	Plaintext HTTP token endpoint at embedded IP:port
N-3	High	TCP token relay at public IP exposed in source
N-4-N-11	Medium	Hardcoded API endpoints, embedded relay configurations, SMTP defaults
N-12-N-23	Low	Default ports, localhost bindings, search engine URLs

7. TLS/SSL Security

Risk: LOW

The codebase has a well-designed centralized TLS configuration via `sx_curl_set_tls()`. Certificate verification is enabled by default, TLS 1.2 is the minimum protocol version, and mbedTLS is configured appropriately.

Findings

#	Severity	Finding
T-1	Medium	Plaintext HTTP relay capability (<code>SX_HTTP_RELAY</code>) forwards API traffic unencrypted when configured
T-2	Low	Configurable TLS verification bypass via <code>SX_TLS_VERIFY=0</code> (default is secure)
T-3	Low	Opportunistic STARTTLS with <code>VERIFY_OPTIONAL</code> for MX delivery
T-4	Low	TLS verification falls back from REQUIRED to OPTIONAL when CA certs unavailable
T-5	Low	Mail relay uses <code>VERIFY_OPTIONAL</code> (documented as appropriate for SMTP)

Positive Findings

- TLS 1.2 minimum enforced in all configurations
- Certificate verification ON by default with documented dev-only bypass
- mbedTLS configured with strong cipher suites
- MITM proxy tool (scorpiox-traffic) is Linux-only and does not affect Windows deployment

8. Hardcoded Credentials

Risk: LOW

No critical or high-severity hardcoded credentials found. All API key, password, secret, and token configuration fields use empty string defaults populated at runtime. The codebase follows a configuration-driven approach where secrets are loaded from files, environment variables, SSH, HTTP endpoints, or TCP sockets.

Findings

#	Severity	Finding
C-1	Low	Hardcoded internal IP addresses in embedded config (reconnaissance data)
C-2	Low	Example credential "mysecret" in documentation comment
C-3	Info	Empty credential placeholders in embedded config (correct pattern)
C-4	Info	Empty credential placeholders in env template (correct pattern)
C-5	Info	Hardcoded public DNS resolver IPs (8.8.8.8, 1.1.1.1)

9. File I/O & Data Handling

Risk: MEDIUM

Config files and logs use `chmod 0600` ; session directories use `0700` ; `mkstemp()` is used for most temp files. However, several medium-severity issues exist.

Findings

#	Severity	Finding
F-1	Medium	Predictable temp file name in editor flow (<code>sx-edit-<pid>.txt</code>) — symlink attack risk
F-2	Medium	Predictable temp file name on Windows POST body (<code>sx_post_<pid>_<time>.txt</code>)
F-3	Medium	Full API request/response bodies logged to disk indefinitely (0600 permissions)
F-4	Low	Traffic logging captures full request/response including auth headers
F-5	Low	Conversation data stored unencrypted (session JSON files)
F-6	Low	Maildir email files created with default umask (not explicit 0600)
F-7	Low	WhatsApp/iMessage inbox directories created with 0755
F-8	Low	Container device nodes created with 0666 permissions
F-9	Info	No log rotation for API and session logs

Positive Findings

- ✓ Consistent `mkstemp()` usage with `xxxxxx` templates across most of codebase
- ✓ `sx_config_is_sensitive()` masks KEY/PASS/SECRET/TOKEN values in log output
- ✓ Config files protected with `chmod 0600`
- ✓ Session/socket directories use `0700`
- ✓ Path traversal validation in maildir
- ✓ Atomic file operations via `write-to-temp-then-rename` pattern
- ✓ Password hashing (SHA256) for email accounts, not plaintext

10. Buffer Safety

Risk: LOW

The codebase demonstrates **excellent buffer safety discipline**. Zero uses of `sprintf` , `strcpy` , `strcat` , `gets` , or `scanf` in project-owned code.

Metrics

Function	Count	Safety
<code>sprintf</code>	0	✓ Not used
<code>strcpy</code>	0	✓ Not used

<code>strcat</code>	0	✓ Not used
<code>gets</code>	0	✓ Not used
<code>scanf</code>	0	✓ Not used
<code>snprintf</code>	2,232	✓ Bounded
<code>strncpy</code>	603	✓ Bounded
<code>strncat</code>	20	✓ Bounded
<code>memcpy</code>	509	✓ All checked

Safe-to-unsafe ratio: ∞ (no unsafe function calls)

Findings

#	Severity	Finding
BF-1	Medium	Unclamped <code>snprintf</code> accumulation in <code>scorpiox-sdk.c</code> — stack overflow if args > 16KB
BF-2	Medium	Unclamped <code>snprintf</code> accumulation in <code>scorpiox-wsl.c</code> — stack overflow if args > 4KB
BF-3	Low	<code>strncpy</code> without explicit null-termination in <code>scorpiox-wsl.c</code>
BF-4	Low	Fixed-size buffers for path construction (4096 bytes) — theoretical truncation on extreme paths

11. Memory Safety

Risk: MEDIUM

The codebase contains 525 dynamic allocation calls (291 `malloc`, 90 `calloc`, 110 `realloc`) across ~110 source files with ~1,395 `free()` calls. The project generally follows a safe `realloc` pattern. However, 93 allocation sites lack NULL-check validation.

Findings

#	Severity	Finding
MS-H1-H6	High (6)	Missing NULL checks in network provider code (<code>sx_request.c</code> , <code>sx_http.c</code> , <code>sx_provider_codex.c</code> , <code>sx_frpc.c</code> , <code>sx_api.c</code>) — crash under memory pressure
MS-M1	Medium	Resource leaks in <code>tb4_transport.c</code> — struct and FD leaked on allocation failure
MS-M2	Medium	14 missing NULL checks in terminal buffer allocations (<code>sx_term.c</code>)
MS-M3-M15	Medium (13)	Additional resource/memory leaks on error paths across multiple files
MS-L1-L72	Low (72)	Missing NULL checks on <code>malloc</code> / <code>calloc</code> in non-critical paths

Positive Findings

- ✓ No confirmed use-after-free or double-free vulnerabilities
- ✓ Safe `realloc` pattern: `tmp = realloc(ptr, ...); if (!tmp) { free(ptr); return; } ptr = tmp;`
- ✓ No `PROT_EXEC` `mmap` usage

12. Command Injection

Risk: HIGH

The codebase contains ~80 `system()` calls, ~30 `popen()` calls, and ~50 `exec*()` calls. Many files demonstrate awareness of injection risks with `is_safe_shell_arg()` validation and explicit `fork()+execvp()` usage. However, several high-severity vectors remain.

Findings

#	Severity	Finding
CJ-1	Critical	iMessage handler passes user message content to <code>system()</code> via AppleScript — remote message content reaches shell (macOS-only)
CJ-2	High	<code>SCORPIOX_DOCS_PYTHON</code> env var reaches <code>system()</code> unsanitized (Linux-only)
CJ-3	High	TUI <code>!</code> shell escape passes input directly to <code>system()</code> (by design, local-only)
CJ-4	High	<code>scorpiox-server</code> Windows CGI path builds <code>cmd.exe</code> strings from HTTP parameters (sanitized but strip-not-reject)
CJ-5	High	File paths from SQLite reach <code>system()</code> via <code>cp</code> commands in <code>scorpiox-search.c</code>
CJ-6	Medium	<code>scorpiox-agent</code> builds <code>system()</code> commands from <code>argv</code> (validated by <code>is_safe_shell_arg()</code>)
CJ-7	Medium	<code>scorpiox-init</code> tool installation via <code>system()</code> with formatted commands
CJ-8	Medium	<code>scorpiox-traffic</code> uses <code>system()</code> for cleanup commands (Linux-only)
CJ-9	Medium	<code>scorpiox-server</code> OTP handler embeds HTTP params in Windows command (validated)
CJ-10	Medium	SSH config values reach <code>_popen()</code> on Windows (validated against metacharacters)
CJ-11	Medium	<code>scorpiox-tmux</code> multiplexer uses <code>system()</code> for backend commands

Positive Findings

- ✓ `is_safe_shell_arg()` validation blocks `;&$\ (){}'>`` on critical paths
- ✓ Multiple files contain explicit comments about replacing `system()` with `fork()+execvp()`
- ✓ Windows paths generally use `_spawnvp()` (argv-based, no shell interpolation)
- ✓ Unix paths increasingly use `fork()+execvp()` for safety

13. Privilege & Access Control

Risk: MEDIUM

No direct `setuid()` / `setgid()` calls in project source. However, several components require root or elevated privileges to function.

Components Requiring Elevated Privileges

Component	Requirement	Platform
<code>scorpiox-unshare --privileged</code>	Real root (skips user namespace)	Linux
<code>scorpiox-vm</code>	<code>/dev/kvm</code> access (kvm group or root)	Linux
<code>scorpiox-vm</code>	<code>/dev/net/tun</code> (CAP_NET_ADMIN)	Linux
<code>scorpiox-thunderbolt4</code>	<code>/dev/bpf*</code> (sudo required)	macOS
<code>scorpiox-dns</code>	Port 53 binding (privileged port)	Linux
<code>scorpiox-server-email</code>	Ports 25/587/993 (privileged ports)	Linux

Findings

#	Severity	Finding
P-1	Critical	<code>--privileged</code> container mode disables user namespace — real root, no isolation
P-2	High	<code>scorpiox-unshare</code> auto-writes <code>/etc/subuid</code> / <code>/etc/subgid</code> when running as root
P-3	High	<code>scorpiox-thunderbolt4</code> requires sudo for raw BPF access
P-4	High	40+ <code>system()</code> calls across multiple files create shell injection surface
P-5-P-12	Medium (8)	Privileged port bindings, GPU passthrough, network namespace bypass, daemon processes

Positive Findings

- ✓ No `setuid()` / `setgid()` calls in project code
- ✓ Full rootless container runtime with proper namespace isolation (default mode)
- ✓ User namespace UID/GID mapping follows best practices
- ✓ Mount propagation set to `MS_REC` | `MS_PRIVATE`
- ✓ `/proc` mounted with `MS_NOSUID` | `MS_NODEV` | `MS_NOEXEC`
- ✓ OverlayFS for stateless container writes

14. Windows Deployment Analysis

Risk: LOW

The Windows build is well-engineered with proper platform abstractions, safe process execution, and no hardcoded secrets.

Windows Build Architecture

Aspect	Detail
Compiler	MinGW GCC (WinLibs POSIX UCRT)
Linking	Fully static (<code>-static</code> , <code>CURL_STATICLIB</code>)
System Libs	ws2_32, crypt32, advapi32, bcrypt, gdi32, user32
DLL	Optional <code>libsx.dll</code> for C# P/Invoke

Windows-Specific Security Properties

- **Process execution:** Uses `_spawnvp()` (argv-based) and `CreateProcess` — no `system()` for user input
- **Downloads:** SHA256-verified via WinINet (`InternetOpenA` , `InternetReadFile`)
- **WSL2 integration:** Safe `wsl.exe` invocation via `_popen()` with sanitized distro names
- **Self-update:** Download → SHA256 verify → `MoveFileA` rename with rollback
- **Config:** Standard `%USERPROFILE%\.claude\scorpiox-env.txt` — no system directory writes

Findings (All Informational)

#	Finding
W-1	Network endpoints contact external APIs (all configurable, all HTTPS)
W-2	WinINet used for downloads (SHA256 verified)
W-3	WSL2 distro management via <code>wsl.exe</code>
W-4	CreateProcess for shell commands with temp <code>.bat</code> files
W-5	Winsock initialization (standard)
W-6	DLL exports 6 functions for P/Invoke
W-7	Static linking with vendored libraries
W-8	GNU tools distribution via scorpiox-busybox
W-9	Standard Windows file paths
W-10	Self-update mechanism (SHA256 verified)

15. Telemetry and Tracking

Risk: LOW

All telemetry is disabled by default. No network calls related to tracking occur unless explicitly opted in via configuration.

Default Configuration

Config Key	Default	Effect
<code>USAGE_TRACKING</code>	<code>0</code> (disabled)	Token usage reporting
<code>EMIT_SESSION_TRACKING</code>	<code>0</code> (disabled)	Full conversation reporting
<code>WA_BRIDGE_AUTO_UPDATE</code>	<code>on-demand</code>	Only when WhatsApp feature is used

Data Collection (When Opted In)

Feature	Data Collected	Privacy Impact
Usage Tracking	Session ID, provider, model, token counts, hostname, username, OS	Medium — machine fingerprint
Session Tracking	Full conversation content (prompts, responses, tool output)	High — complete conversation data

Findings

#	Severity	Finding
TL-1	Low	Stale comment says <code>USAGE_TRACKING</code> default is <code>1</code> but compiled default is <code>0</code>
TL-2	Info	Session telemetry sends full conversation content when enabled
TL-3	Info	Usage tracking collects hostname/username when enabled

Corporate Deployment Recommendation

No configuration changes needed for zero tracking — the defaults already disable all telemetry. For additional hardening: - Remove `scorpiox-usage` and `scorpiox-emit-session` binaries from installation - Block `code.scorpiox.net` at firewall/proxy level

16. Install Script & Distribution Security

Risk: HIGH

This is the highest-risk area of the audit. The distribution pipeline has significant gaps in integrity verification and code signing.

Findings

#	Severity	Finding
IS-1	Critical	Install URL missing <code>https://</code> scheme — potential plaintext HTTP download piped to <code>bash</code>
IS-2	High	No code signing on any distributed binary (GPG, cosign, Authenticode all absent)
IS-3	High	SHA256 checksums co-located with binaries on same server — compromised server defeats verification
IS-4	High	Container image downloads have zero integrity verification
IS-5	High	Container bootstrap <code>curl \ tar</code> with no hash verification
IS-6	Medium	Bridge SHA256 bypass: invalid <code>.sha256</code> format allows unverified install
IS-7	Medium	Firmware download (SeaBIOS) has no integrity verification
IS-8	Medium	<code>curl \ bash</code> install pattern — inherently risky

IS-9	Medium	No reproducible builds — no <code>SOURCE_DATE_EPOCH</code> , unpinned Docker images
IS-10	Low	Distribution via SMB to NAS — network-level trust for upload integrity
IS-11	Low	WSL self-update dead code (defined but never called)
IS-12	Low	macOS codesign uses ad-hoc signature (<code>--sign -</code>), not Developer ID

17. Consolidated Risk Matrix

#	Area	Finding	Severity	Status	Recommendation
IS-1	Distribution	Install URL missing <code>https://</code> scheme	Critical	Open	Add <code>https://</code> prefix to install URL in <code>scorpiox-sdk.c:1228</code>
CJ-1	Command Injection	iMessage user content reaches <code>system()</code> via AppleScript	Critical	Open	Sanitize message content before AppleScript interpolation (macOS-only)
P-1	Privilege	<code>--privileged</code> container mode disables all isolation	Critical	By Design	Document risk; restrict <code>--privileged</code> flag usage
IS-2	Distribution	No code signing on distributed binaries	High	Open	Implement GPG signing for Linux, Authenticode for Windows
IS-3	Distribution	SHA256 checksums co-located with binaries	High	Open	Host checksums on separate infrastructure or use code signing
IS-4	Distribution	Container images downloaded without integrity check	High	Open	Verify SHA256 of container image tarballs before extraction
IS-5	Distribution	Container bootstrap <code>curl \</code> <code>tar</code> unverified	High	Open	Add hash verification to container bootstrap scripts
CJ-2	Command Injection	Env var <code>SCORPIOX_DOCS_PYTHON</code> reaches <code>system()</code>	High	Open	Use <code>fork()+execvp()</code> for dependency checks (Linux-only)
CJ-3	Command Injection	TUI <code>!</code> shell escape — direct <code>system()</code>	High	By Design	Document risk for automated/remote TUI scenarios
CJ-4	Command Injection	Windows CGI builds <code>cmd.exe</code> from HTTP params	High	Mitigated	<code>SX_SANITIZE_CMD</code> strips dangerous chars; consider reject-not-strip
CJ-5	Command Injection	SQLite file paths reach <code>system()</code>	High	Open	Use <code>fork()+execvp()</code> for file copy operations
MS-H1-6	Memory Safety	Missing NULL checks in network code	High	Open	Add NULL checks after allocation in <code>sx_request.c</code> , <code>sx_http.c</code> , etc.
P-2	Privilege	Auto-writes to <code>/etc/subuid</code> / <code>/etc/subgid</code>	High	Open	Require explicit user confirmation before

					modifying system files
P-3	Privilege	BPF raw access requires sudo	High	By Design	Document requirement (macOS-only)
P-4	Privilege	40+ <code>system()</code> calls across codebase	High	Ongoing	Migrate to <code>fork()+execvp()</code> — several files already converted
T-1	TLS	HTTP relay forwards API traffic unencrypted	Medium	By Design	Warn user when HTTP relay is active
BF-1	Buffer	Unclamped <code>snprintf</code> accumulation (sdk)	Medium	Open	Add <code>if (cpos >= sizeof(buf)) break;</code> clamping
BF-2	Buffer	Unclamped <code>snprintf</code> accumulation (wsl)	Medium	Open	Add offset clamping after each <code>snprintf</code>
F-1	File I/O	Predictable temp file in editor flow	Medium	Open	Replace with <code>mkstemp()</code>
F-2	File I/O	Predictable temp file on Windows POST	Medium	Open	Use <code>GetTempFileNameA()</code>
F-3	File I/O	API bodies logged indefinitely	Medium	Open	Add log rotation with size limits
IS-6	Distribution	Bridge SHA256 bypass on invalid format	Medium	Open	Treat invalid <code>.sha256</code> format as failure
IS-7	Distribution	Firmware download unverified	Medium	Open	Pin SHA256 hash for BIOS firmware
IS-8	Distribution	<code>curl \ bash</code> install pattern	Medium	By Design	Provide two-step download-then-verify alternative
IS-9	Distribution	No reproducible builds	Medium	Open	Pin Docker image digests, set <code>SOURCE_DATE_EPOCH</code>
S-1	Supply Chain	Unpinned Docker base image	Medium	Open	Pin <code>alpine</code> to digest
S-2	Supply Chain	<code>curl</code> source download without checksum	Medium	Open	Add SHA256 verification to Dockerfile
B-1	Build	No <code>noexecstack</code> on static builds	Medium	Open	Add <code>-z,noexecstack</code> to static link flags
B-2	Build	Network-capable build-time code gen	Medium	Mitigated	<code>MODELS_FROZEN=True</code> gate — consider removing network option
MS-M1-15	Memory Safety	Resource/memory leaks on error paths	Medium	Open	Fix cleanup in <code>tb4_transport.c</code> , <code>sx_term.c</code> , etc.
CJ-6-11	Command Injection	Various <code>system()</code> with validated inputs	Medium	Mitigated	Continue migration to <code>execvp()</code>
N-1-3	Network	Hardcoded IPs/endpoints in embedded config	High	Open	Move to deployment-time configuration
P-5-12	Privilege	Privileged ports, GPU passthrough, etc.	Medium	By Design	Document requirements; all Linux-only

18. Conclusion & Recommendations

Overall Assessment

ScorpioX Code demonstrates **strong security engineering fundamentals** for a C-based project of this scale. The codebase achieves zero unsafe C function usage, comprehensive input validation on critical paths, secure defaults for TLS and telemetry, and a clean dependency profile with up-to-date vendored libraries. The code quality indicates an experienced development team with active security awareness.

Risk Rating

Scope	Rating	Rationale
Overall	MEDIUM	Install/distribution gaps and residual <code>system()</code> usage offset strong fundamentals
Windows Workstation	LOW	All Windows-specific findings are informational; safe process APIs used throughout
Linux Server	MEDIUM-HIGH	Container runtime, VM, and server components have broader attack surface

Priority Recommendations

Immediate (Critical/High):

- Fix install URL** — Add `https://` prefix to `get.scorpiox.net` URL in `scorpiox-sdk.c:1228`
- Implement code signing** — Authenticode for Windows binaries, GPG for Linux
- Add container image verification** — SHA256 check before extraction in `scorpiox-unshare.c`
- Add NULL checks** — 6 high-severity missing checks in network provider code
- Sanitize iMessage content** — Escape shell metacharacters before AppleScript interpolation

Short-Term (Medium):

- Migrate `system()` to `execvp()`** — Prioritize `scorpiox-docs.c`, `scorpiox-search.c`, `scorpiox-init.c`
- Fix predictable temp files** — Replace `fopen()` with `mkstemp()` in `sx.c:615` and Windows POST handler
- Add log rotation** — Size-limited rotation for `api.log` and session logs
- Host checksums separately** — Move `.sha256` files to different infrastructure than binaries
- Fix `snprintf` accumulation** — Add clamping in `scorpiox-sdk.c` and `scorpiox-wsl.c`

Long-Term:

- Reproducible builds** — Pin Docker images by digest, set `SOURCE_DATE_EPOCH`
- Memory safety sweep** — Address remaining 72 low-severity NULL check gaps
- npm lockfile** — Add `package-lock.json` for bridge component
- Firmware integrity** — Pin SHA256 hashes for all downloaded firmware

19. Appendix: Audit Methodology

Agents Deployed

#	Agent	Scope	Report
1	supply-chain	Dependencies, vendored libs, build-time downloads	01-supply-chain.md

2	build-provenance	CMake config, compiler flags, hardening	02-build-provenance.md
3	network-endpoints	URLs, IPs, ports, domains in source	03-network-endpoints.md
4	tls-security	TLS config, certificate verification, protocol versions	04-tls-security.md
5	credential-hardcode	API keys, passwords, tokens, secrets in source	05-credential-hardcode.md
6	file-io	Temp files, permissions, data at rest, logging	06-file-io.md
7	buffer-safety	Buffer overflow, unsafe functions, format strings	07-buffer-safety.md
8	memory-safety	malloc/free, NULL checks, use-after-free, leaks	08-memory-safety.md
9	command-injection	system(), popen(), exec*(), shell metacharacters	09-command-injection.md
10	privilege-access	setuid, root access, namespaces, daemon processes	10-privilege-access.md
11	windows-deployment	Windows binaries, APIs, platform-specific risks	11-windows-deployment.md
12	telemetry-tracking	Data collection, phone-home, opt-in/out behavior	12-telemetry-tracking.md
13	install-script	Distribution, install scripts, code signing, integrity	13-install-script.md

Methodology

- **Static analysis** of all project-owned C source files (excluding vendor code unless explicitly noted)
- **Pattern matching** for unsafe functions, hardcoded values, and known vulnerability patterns
- **Manual verification** of all automated findings to eliminate false positives
- **Cross-referencing** between agents to identify compound risk scenarios
- **Platform-specific analysis** separating Windows, Linux, and macOS code paths
- **Configuration review** of build system, deployment scripts, and default settings

Scope Limitations

- Runtime behavior was not tested (no dynamic analysis or fuzzing)
- The `get.scorpiox.net` install script content was not available for review
- Vendor library code (mbedtls, yyjson, stb_image) was reviewed for version/CVE status only, not line-by-line
- Network endpoints were identified from source code; actual network behavior was not monitored