

**NATIONAL FARMERS UNION**  
**VULNERABILITY DISCLOSURE POLICY**

## **INTRODUCTION**

This vulnerability disclosure policy applies to any vulnerabilities you are considering reporting to the National Farmers' Union of England and Wales, and any of its partners (the "Organisation") so long as the Organisation's website has a published security.txt file that references this policy.

We recommend reading this vulnerability disclosure policy fully before you report a vulnerability and always acting in compliance with it. We value security researchers who take the time and effort to report security vulnerabilities according to this policy. However, we do not offer monetary rewards for vulnerability disclosures.

### **Reporting a vulnerability**

If you have discovered a security vulnerability relating to the Organisation's system, please report it by emailing [itsupport@nfu.org.uk](mailto:itsupport@nfu.org.uk).

In your report please include details of:

- The website url, IP or page where the vulnerability can be observed.
- A brief description of the type of vulnerability, for example; "XSS vulnerability".
- Steps to reproduce. These should be safe, non-harmful, and act as a simple example. Clear steps help the report be reviewed and dealt with quickly, reduce duplicate reports, and lower the risk of issues being misused, such as subdomain takeovers.

### **What to expect**

After you have submitted your report, we will respond to your report within 5 working days and aim to triage your report within 10 working days. We'll also aim to keep you informed of our progress along the way.

Priority for remediation is assessed by looking at the impact, severity and exploit complexity. Vulnerability reports might take some time to triage or address. You are welcome to enquire on the status but should avoid doing so more than once every 14 days. This allows our team to focus on the remediation.

We will let you know once the reported vulnerability has been fixed, and you may be asked to confirm that the solution adequately addresses the issue.

Once your vulnerability has been resolved, we welcome requests to disclose your report.

### **Guidance**

You must NOT:

- Break any applicable law or regulations.
- Use high-intensity invasive or destructive scanning tools to find vulnerabilities.
- Access unnecessary, excessive or significant amounts of data.
- Modify data in the Organisation's systems or services.
- Attempt or report any form of denial of service, e.g. overwhelming a service with a high volume of requests.
- Disrupt the Organisation's services or systems.

- Submit reports detailing non-exploitable vulnerabilities, or reports indicating that the services do not fully align with “best practice”, for example missing security headers.
- Submit reports detailing TLS configuration weaknesses, for example “weak” cipher suite support or the presence of TLS1.0 support.
- Communicate any vulnerabilities or associated details other than by means described in the published security.txt.
- Social engineer, ‘phish’ or physically attack the Organisation's staff or infrastructure.
- Require or demand financial compensation in order to disclose any vulnerabilities.

You must:

- Always comply with data protection rules and must not violate the privacy of any data the Organisation holds. You must not, for example, share, redistribute or fail to properly secure data retrieved from the systems or services.
- Securely delete all data retrieved during your research as soon as it is no longer required or within 1 month of the vulnerability being resolved, whichever occurs first (or as otherwise required by data protection law).

### **Legalities**

This policy is designed to be compatible with common vulnerability disclosure good practice. It does not give you permission to act in any manner that is inconsistent with the law, or which might cause the Organisation or partner organisations to be in breach of any legal obligations.