

CHIMNEYSWEEP, Software S1149 | MITRE ATT&CK®

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Enterprise [T1548 .002 Abuse Elevation Control Mechanism](#): [Bypass User Account Control](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) can make use of the Windows `SilentCleanup` scheduled task to execute its payload with elevated privileges.^[1]

Enterprise [T1071 .001 Application Layer Protocol](#): [Web Protocols](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) can send `HTTP GET` requests to C2.^[1]

Enterprise [T1115 Clipboard Data](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) can capture content from the clipboard.^[1]

Enterprise [T1059 .001 Command and Scripting Interpreter](#): [PowerShell](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) can invoke the PowerShell command `[Reflection.Assembly]::LoadFile("%s\")\n$i=\"\"\"n$r=[%s]:%s(\"%s\",[ref] $i)\necho $r,$i\n` to execute secondary payloads.^[1]

[.005 Command and Scripting Interpreter](#): [Visual Basic](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) has executed a script named `cln.vbs` on compromised hosts.^[1]

Enterprise [T1132 .002 Data Encoding](#): [Non-Standard Encoding](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) can use a custom Base64 alphabet for encoding C2.^[1]

Enterprise [T1005 Data from Local System](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) can collect files from compromised hosts.^[1]

Enterprise [T1074 .001 Data Staged](#): [Local Data Staging](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) can store captured screenshots to disk including to a covert store named `APPX.%x%x%x%x%.tmp` where `%x` is a random value.^[1]

Enterprise [T1140 Deobfuscate/Decode Files or Information](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) can use an embedded RC4 key to decrypt Windows API function strings.^[1]

Enterprise [T1480 Execution Guardrails](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) can execute a task which leads to execution if it finds a process name containing "creensaver."
[\[1\]](#)

Enterprise [T1041 Exfiltration Over C2 Channel](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) can upload collected files to the command-and-control server.
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Enterprise [T1083 File and Directory Discovery](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) has the ability to enumerate directories for files that match a set list.
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Enterprise [T1070 .006 Indicator Removal: Timestomp](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) can time stomp its executable, previously dating it between 2010 to 2021.
[\[1\]](#)

Enterprise [T1105 Ingress Tool Transfer](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) can download additional files from C2.
[\[1\]](#)

Enterprise [T1056 .001 Input Capture: Keylogging](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) has the ability to support keylogging.
[\[1\]](#)

Enterprise [T1112 Modify Registry](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) can use the Windows Registry Environment key to change the `%windir%` variable to point to `c:\Windows` to enable payload execution.
[\[1\]](#)

Enterprise [T1106 Native API](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) can use Windows APIs including `LoadLibrary` and `GetProcAddress`.
[\[1\]](#)

Enterprise [T1027 Obfuscated Files or Information](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) can use a custom Base64 alphabet to encode an API decryption key.
[\[1\]](#)

[.001 Binary Padding](#)

The [CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) installer has been padded with null bytes to inflate its size.
[\[1\]](#)

[.007 Dynamic API Resolution](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) can use `LoadLibrary` and `GetProcAddress` to resolve Windows API function strings at run time.
[\[1\]](#)

[.009 Embedded Payloads](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) can extract RC4 encrypted embedded payloads for privilege escalation.
[\[1\]](#)

Enterprise [T1120 Peripheral Device Discovery](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) can monitor for removable drives.^[1]

Enterprise [T1057 Process Discovery](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) can check if a process name contains "creensaver."^[1]

Enterprise [T1053 .005 Scheduled Task/Job: Scheduled Task](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) can use the Windows `SilentCleanup` scheduled task to enable payload execution.^[1]

Enterprise [T1113 Screen Capture](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) can capture screenshots on targeted systems using a timer and either upload them or store them to disk.^[1]

Enterprise [T1518 .001 Software Discovery: Security Software Discovery](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) is capable of checking whether a compromised device is running DeepFreeze by Faronics.^[1]

Enterprise [T1553 .002 Subvert Trust Controls: Code Signing](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) has been dropped by a self-extracting archive signed with a valid digital certificate.^[1]

Enterprise [T1218 .003 System Binary Proxy Execution: CMSTP](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) can use CMSTP.exe to install a malicious Microsoft Connection Manager Profile.^[1]

Enterprise [T1033 System Owner/User Discovery](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) has included the victim's computer name and username in C2 messages sent to actor-owned infrastructure.^[1]

Enterprise [T1529 System Shutdown/Reboot](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) can reboot or shutdown the targeted system or logoff the current user.^[1]

Enterprise [T1102 Web Service](#)

[CHIMNEYSWEEP](#) has the ability to use Telegram channels to return a list of commands to be executed, to download additional payloads, or to create a reverse shell.^[1]