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Thread: [Exploit failed: The following options failed to validate: LHOST.](#)

iDaniel19 - October 22, 2015, 2:16 pm

Hello. I am really new to this and I was following the "The Hacker Ethos - First Edition Free" book and I got to the 'Metasploit' part -> "-msf exploit(unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor)". I used this to see the list of available exploits "exploit -h", but when I try to use any I get "Exploit failed: The following options failed to validate: LHOST." . What does this mean ? I tried to search it before posting but couldn't find anything to explain or help. Thank you.

CyberGuard - October 22, 2015, 3:31 pm

it probably means you failed to specify the options.

try: show options

and then SET LHOST your ip

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(Oct 22, 2015 03:31 PM)CyberGuard Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) it probably means you failed to specify the options.

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That solved the problem. Thank you. Now I have another:

Code [*] Started reverse double handler

[*] Connected to ip:6667...

:irc.Metasploitable.LAN NOTICE AUTH :*** Looking up your hostname...

[*] Sending backdoor command...

msf exploit(unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor) >

I don't get that part where it should say that the session was opened or something similar.