

# NCL Fall 2022 Team Game Scouting Report

Dear Ethan Brinks (Team "RedTeam 0x02 @ MTU"),

Thank you for participating in the National Cyber League (NCL) 2022 Fall Season! Our goal is to prepare the next generation of cybersecurity professionals, and your participation is helping achieve that goal.

The NCL was founded in May 2011 to provide an ongoing virtual training ground for collegiate students to develop, practice, and validate their cybersecurity skills in preparation for further learning, industry certifications, and career readiness. The NCL scenario-based challenges were designed around performance-based exam objectives of CompTIA certifications and are aligned to the National Initiative for Cybersecurity Education (NICE) Cybersecurity Workforce Framework published by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST).

As you look to a future career in cybersecurity, we hope you find this report to be valuable in both validating skills and identifying areas for improvement across the nine NCL skills categories. You can use this NCL Scouting Report to:

- Validate your skills to employers in any job application or professional portfolio;
- Show case your achievements and strengths by including the Score Card view of your performance as part of your résumé or simply sharing the validation link so that others may view the detailed version of this report.

The NCL 2022 Fall Season had 7,690 students/players and 475 faculty/coaches from more than 470 two- and fouryear schools & 250 high schools across all 50 U.S. states registered to play. The Individual Game Capture the Flag (CTF) event took place from October 21 through October 23. The Team Game CTF event took place from November 4 through November 6. The games were conducted in real-time for students across the country.

NCL is powered by Cyber Skyline's cloud-based skills evaluation platform. Cyber Skyline hosted the scenario-driven cybersecurity challenges for players to compete and track their progress in real-time.

To validate this report, please access: cyberskyline.com/report/E0FQPXPF3P3V

Congratulations for your participation in the NCL 2022 Fall Team Game! We hope you will continue to develop your knowledge and skills and make meaningful contributions as part of the Information Security workforce!

David Zeichick **NCL Commissioner** 



### NATIONAL CYBER LEAGUE SCORE CARD

NCL 2022 FALL TEAM GAME

**NATIONAL RANK** 206TH PLACE **OUT OF 3926 PERCENTILE 95**TH

**ENUMERATION & EXPLOITATION FORENSICS 96TH PERCENTILE** 99TH PERCENTILE **96TH PERCENTILE** 



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Average: 49.6%

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YOUR TOP CATEGORIES



### NCL Fall 2022 Team Game

The NCL Team Game is designed for student players nationwide to compete in realtime in the categories listed below. The Team Game promotes camaraderie and evaluates the collective technical cybersecurity skills of the team members.

206 TH PLACE OUT OF 3926

1080 POINTS OUT OF 3000 PERFORMANCE SCORE





95<sup>th</sup> National Percentile

Average: 649.5 Points

Average: 49.6%

Average: 28.8%

Cryptography	105 POINTS OUT OF 310	100.0% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:	50.0%
Information is key, but it's not going to be easy to get it. messages to learn what is really going on.	Decipher these hidden	7,000,010		
Enumeration & Exploitation	115 POINTS OUT OF 300	100.0% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:	50.0%
Identify actionable exploits and vulnerabilities and use the security measures in code and compiled binaries.	nem to bypass the	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		
Forensics	115 POINTS OUT OF 310	60.0% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:	30.0%
Utilize the proper tools and techniques to analyze, proce investigate digital evidence in a computer-related incide		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		
Log Analysis	40 POINTS OUT OF 320	16.7% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:	17.6%
Utilize the proper tools and techniques to establish a bar operation and identify malicious activities using log files		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		
Network Traffic Analysis	165 POINTS OUT OF 370	68.4% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:	61.9%
Identify malicious and benign network traffic to demons potential security breaches.	trate an understanding of			
Open Source Intelligence	170 POINTS OUT OF 315	46.2% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:	75.0%
Utilize publicly available information such as search eng social media, and more to gain in-depth knowledge on a				
Password Cracking	170 POINTS OUT OF 360	100.0% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:	55.0%
Identify types of password hashes and apply various ted determine plaintext passwords.	hniques to efficiently	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		
Scanning & Reconnaissance	O POINTS OUT OF 315	0.0% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:	0.0%
Identify and use the proper tools to gain intelligence aborevices and potential vulnerabilities.	ut a target including its			
Web Application Exploitation	100 POINTS OUT OF 300	42.9% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:	50.0%

Note: Survey module (100 points) was excluded from this report.



Identify actionable exploits and vulnerabilities and use them to bypass the

security measures in online services.



## Cryptography Module

Convert credit card magnetic stripe audio into numeric data

Information is key, but it's not going to be easy to get it. Decipher these hidden messages to learn what is really going on.

1)4 TH PLACE

100.0% ACCURACY

Average: 78.6%



### TOP NICE WORKROLES

Security Control Assessor Secure Software Assessor **Exploitation Analyst** Cyber Operator Security Architect

NATIONAL RANK

90th National

Average: 119.3 Points

COMPLETION: 100.0% Decoding 1 (Easy) 100.0% **ACCURACY** Identify the cipher scheme used and decrypt the data COMPLETION: 100.0% Decoding 2 (Easy) 100.0% ACCURACY Identify the cipher scheme used and decrypt the data COMPLETION: 100.0% Decoding 3 (Easy) 100.0% **ACCURACY** Identify the cipher scheme used and decrypt the data COMPLETION: 100.0% Decoding 4 (Medium) 100.0% **ACCURACY** Identify the communication scheme used and decode the message COMPLETION: 0.0% 0.0% Decoding 5 (Medium) ACCURACY Identify the cipher scheme used and decrypt the data COMPLETION: 0.0% Problem (Medium) 0.0% **ACCURACY** Identify the steganography technique used and extract the hidden data COMPLETION: 0.0% Magnetic (Hard) 0.0% **ACCURACY** 





## **Enumeration & Exploitation Module**

Identify actionable exploits and vulnerabilities and use them to bypass the security measures in code and compiled binaries.

51 ST PLACE OUT OF 3926 NATIONAL RANK 115 POINTS OUT OF 300 PERFORMANCE SCORE

100.0% ACCURACY 50.0% COMPLETION

### TOP NICE WORKROLES

Cyber Operator Target Developer Exploitation Analyst Software Developer Systems Security Analyst

99<sup>th</sup> National Percentile

Average: 52.0 Points

Average: 51.7%

100.0% ACCURACY

COMPLETION: 100.0%

Channels (Easy)

Analyze Go source code to identify its functionalities and vulnerabilities

Miner (Medium)

15 POINTS OUT OF 100

100.0% ACCURACY COMPLETION: 50.0%

Decompile a binary crypto-miner malware to identify its functionalities

Password Manager (Hard)

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0.0% ACCURACY COMPLETION: 0.0%

Decompile and analyze a binary that implements a virtual machine (VM) for a custom instruction set architecture (ISA) and break the encryption to a custom password manager program

### **Forensics Module**

Utilize the proper tools and techniques to analyze, process, recover, and/or investigate digital evidence in a computer-related incident.

188 TH PLACE OUT OF 3926

NATIONAL RANK

96<sup>th</sup> National

115 POINTS OUT OF 310 PERFORMANCE SCORE

Average: 106.1 Points Average: 57.8%

60.0% ACCURACY

Average: 26.7%

30.0%

COMPLETION

TOP NICE WORKROLES

Cyber Defense Forensics Analyst Cyber Crime Investigator

Cyber Defense Incident Responder Cyber Defense Analyst

Blocked (Easy) 100 POINTS 100.0%

Hiding (Medium)

POINTS OUT OF 0.0%

ACCURACY

COMPLETION:

COMPLETION:

0.0%

100.0%

Identify the compressed data stream without header metadata

Analyze a redacted PDF file to identify techniques to remove the redaction

Unknown (Hard)

15 POINTS

50.0% ACCURACY

COMPLETION: 25.0%

Analyze a ZFS pool to extract hidden files and metadata



## Log Analysis Module

Utilize the proper tools and techniques to establish a baseline for normal operation and identify malicious activities using log files from various services.

89 TH PLACE OUT OF 3926 NATIONAL RANK

PERFORMANCE SCORE

16.7% ACCURACY



### TOP NICE WORKROLES

Cyber Defense Analyst Systems Security Analyst All-Source Analyst Cyber Defense Forensics Analyst Data Analyst

93rd National Percentile

Average: 63.6 Points

Average: 26.9%

27.3%

COMPLETION:

42.9%

Cubes (Easy)

**ACCURACY** 

COMPLETION:

0.0%

Analyze a DNS server log to identify potentially malicious domains

Lunch (Medium)

0.0% **ACCURACY** 

Analyze a web server log using MessagePack encoding and identify anomalies

Collection (Hard)

0.0%

COMPLETION: 0.0%

Analyze employee badge and motion sensor logs to compute outliers and identify anomalous behavior

# Network Traffic Analysis Module

Identify malicious and benign network traffic to demonstrate an understanding of potential security breaches.

**TH PLACE OUT OF 3926** 

NATIONAL RANK

PERFORMANCE SCORE

68.4% ACCURACY



TOP NICE WORKROLES Cyber Defense Analyst

All-Source Analyst Cyber Defense Incident Responder Target Network Analyst Cyber Operator

95<sup>th</sup> National Percentile

Average: 111.9 Points

Average: 41.6%

VPN (Easy) Extract sensitive information transferred in a VPN packet capture

60.0% ACCURACY COMPLETION: 33.3%

WiFi Cracking (Medium)

75.0% ACCURACY COMPLETION: 75.0%

Identify vulnerable WiFi encryption scheme and crack the WiFi password

Kick Back (Medium)

71.4% **ACCURACY**  COMPLETION: 100.0%

Analyze the unencrypted IOT device traffic to extract personal information from a smart home packet capture

Extraction (Hard)

66.7% ACCURACY COMPLETION: 66.7%

Identify and extract the hidden RTMP video stream transferred in a comprehensive packet capture





# Open Source Intelligence Module

Utilize publicly available information such as search engines, public repositories, social media, and more to gain in-depth knowledge on a topic or target.

28 TH PLACE OUT OF 3926

PERFORMANCE SCORE





### TOP NICE WORKROLES

Systems Security Analyst Target Developer System Administrator Research & Development Specialist Cyber Intel Planner

NATIONAL RANK

Rules of Conduct (Easy)

Defense Acquisition (Easy)

Introductory challenge on acceptable conduct during NCL

92<sup>nd</sup> National

Average: 150.0 Points

50.0% **ACCURACY** 

100.0% **ACCURACY** 

COMPLETION:

COMPLETION:

100.0%

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100.0%

Identify the common organizations responsible for purchases for the government

Vehicle (Easy)

100.0% ACCURACY

COMPLETION:

Utilize reverse image search tools to identify the make and model of a vehicle

Targets (Medium)

0.0% **ACCURACY**  COMPLETION: 0.0%

Investigate an unknown number scheme to identify the IP address associated with the number

District (Medium)

100.0% **ACCURACY** 

COMPLETION: 100.0%

Utilize Geographic Information System (GIS) to identify land plot and owner data

Tracking (Hard)

0.0%

COMPLETION: 0.0%

Investigate commonalities in the locations from a sequence of GPS coordinates to identify the potential next target location



# Password Cracking Module

Crack the password hashes stored in a Linux wpa\_supplicant.conf file

Identify types of password hashes and apply various techniques to efficiently determine plaintext passwords.

193 RD PLACE OUT OF 3926 NATIONAL RANK

170 POINTS OUT OF 360 PERFORMANCE SCORE

100.0% ACCURACY



### TOP NICE WORKROLES

Cyber Operator Exploitation Analyst Systems Security Analyst Cyber Defense Incident Responder Cyber Crime Investigator

96<sup>th</sup> National

Average: 123.5 Points

Average: 87.0%

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Cracking 1 (Easy)	45 POINTS OUT OF	100.0% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:	100.0%
Crack MD5, SHA1, and SHA256 password hashes				
Cracking 2 (Easy)	45 POINTS OUT OF	100.0% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:	100.0%
Crack Windows NTLM password hashes using rainbow	tables			
Cracking 3 (Medium)	60 POINTS OUT OF	100.0% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:	100.0%
Build a wordlist or pattern config to crack password has	hes of a known pattern			
Cracking 4 (Hard)	20 POINTS OUT OF	100.0% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:	33.3%
Build a wordlist to crack passwords not found in commo	on wordlists			
PPTX (Medium)	O POINTS OUT OF 50	0.0% accuracy	COMPLETION:	0.0%
Crack the password for a protected PowerPoint file				
WiFi (Hard)	O POINTS OUT OF 60	0.0% accuracy	COMPLETION:	0.0%



## Scanning & Reconnaissance Module

Identify and use the proper tools to gain intelligence about a target including its services and potential vulnerabilities.

94 TH PLACE OUT OF 3926

PERFORMANCE SCORE

0.0% ACCURACY

0.0% COMPLETION

Average: 9.3%

TOP NICE WORKROLES

Vulnerability Assessment Analyst Target Network Analyst Cyber Operations Planner Target Developer Security Control Assessor

NATIONAL RANK

90th National

Average: 33.4 Points

Average: 19.0%

0.0%

COMPLETION: 0.0%

Scan the available UDP ports on a target system

Catch Me If You Can (Easy)

Interstellar (Medium)

0.0% **ACCURACY** 

**ACCURACY** 

COMPLETION: 0.0%

Scan an InterPlanetary File System (IPFS) server and retrieve a file from the service

Tracker (Hard)

0.0% ACCURACY COMPLETION: 0.0%

Scan and analyze the results from an UDP BitTorrent Tracker service

# Web Application Exploitation Module

Identify actionable exploits and vulnerabilities and use them to bypass the security measures in online services.

25 TH PLACE OUT OF 3926 NATIONAL RANK

95<sup>th</sup> National

PERFORMANCE SCORE

Average: 59.4 Points

42.9% ACCURACY

Average: 38.0%

50.0% COMPLETION Average: 29.5% TOP NICE WORKROLES

Cyber Operator Software Developer **Exploitation Analyst** Systems Security Analyst Database Administrator

Ticket Scalper (Easy)

50.0% **ACCURACY**  COMPLETION: 100.0%

Exploit a ticket booking app by analyzing the partial logic in the browser side JavaScript code

Pesto's Pizza (Medium)

0.0%

COMPLETION: 0.0%

Identify and exploit a PHP type juggling vulnerability to gain unauthorized access

Mercury Lotto (Hard)

0.0% **ACCURACY**  COMPLETION: 0.0%

Identify and exploit a seeded random number generator by analyzing the deterministic server behavior