



BTCD

Security Assessment

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Executive Summary

TYPES

DeFi

ECOSYSTEM

Bitcoin | EVM Compatible

METHODS

Manual Review, Static Analysis

LANGUAGE

Solidity

TIMELINE

Preliminary comments published on 10/08/2025

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Vulnerability Summary



34

Total Findings

25

Resolved

0

Partially Resolved

9

Acknowledged

0

Declined

2 Centralization

2 Acknowledged



Centralization findings highlight privileged roles & functions and their capabilities, or instances where the project takes custody of users' assets.

0 Critical

Critical risks are those that impact the safe functioning of a platform and must be addressed before launch. Users should not invest in any project with outstanding critical risks.

3 Major

3 Resolved



Major risks may include logical errors that, under specific circumstances, could result in fund losses or loss of project control.

14 Medium

13 Resolved, 1 Acknowledged



Medium risks may not pose a direct risk to users' funds, but they can affect the overall functioning of a platform.

12 Minor

8 Resolved, 4 Acknowledged



Minor risks can be any of the above, but on a smaller scale. They generally do not compromise the overall integrity of the project, but they may be less efficient than other solutions.

3 Informational

1 Resolved, 2 Acknowledged



Informational errors are often recommendations to improve the style of the code or certain operations to fall within industry best practices. They usually do not affect the overall functioning of the code.

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CODEBASE | BTCD

Repository

<https://github.com/nbwfoundation/ArbitrationProtocol>

<https://github.com/nbwfoundation/btcd-stablecoins>

https://github.com/nbwfoundation/loan_unlock_tx

Commit

[2b13defab3cbd768ba31d6ce737c4adeef9ef2d4](#)

[ff7fd27c9f30c0e598a13d332163b0dcd6d9387f](#)

[69a35a298795f0801ab82091ea08f1d05c3d65a2](#)

Audit Scope

The file in scope is listed in the appendix.

APPROACH & METHODS | BTCD

This audit was conducted for BTCD to evaluate the security and correctness of the smart contracts associated with the BTCD project. The assessment included a comprehensive review of the in-scope smart contracts. The audit was performed using a combination of Manual Review and Static Analysis.

The review process emphasized the following areas:

- Architecture review and threat modeling to understand systemic risks and identify design-level flaws.
- Identification of vulnerabilities through both common and edge-case attack vectors.
- Manual verification of contract logic to ensure alignment with intended design and business requirements.
- Dynamic testing to validate runtime behavior and assess execution risks.
- Assessment of code quality and maintainability, including adherence to current best practices and industry standards.

The audit resulted in findings categorized across multiple severity levels, from informational to critical. To enhance the project's security and long-term robustness, we recommend addressing the identified issues and considering the following general improvements:

- Improve code readability and maintainability by adopting a clean architectural pattern and modular design.
- Strengthen testing coverage, including unit and integration tests for key functionalities and edge cases.
- Maintain meaningful inline comments and documentations.
- Implement clear and transparent documentation for privileged roles and sensitive protocol operations.
- Regularly review and simulate contract behavior against newly emerging attack vectors.

FINDINGS | BTCD



34

Total Findings

0

Critical

2

Centralization

3

Major

14

Medium

12

Minor

3

Informational

This report has been prepared for BTCD to identify potential vulnerabilities and security issues within the reviewed codebase. During the course of the audit, a total of 34 issues were identified. Leveraging a combination of Manual Review & Static Analysis the following findings were uncovered:

ID	Title	Category	Severity	Status
BTC-01	Centralized Control Of Contract Upgrade	Centralization	Centralization	● Acknowledged
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BTC-06	Arbitrator-Controlled Revenue Address Can Permanently DoS Settlement And Trap Funds	Denial of Service	Medium	● Resolved
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BTC-27	Unbounded State Growth Via Public Decoder Enables Storage-Bloat DoS	Denial of Service	Medium	● Resolved
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BTC-30	Function Calls User-Provided Addresses With No Access Control Modifier	Access Control	Medium	● Resolved
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BTC-53	Zero ArbitratorFee Enables DOS On Orders	Denial of Service	Medium	● Acknowledged
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BTC-58	Inconsistent And Weak Require Statements	Logical Issue, Inconsistency	Medium	● Resolved
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BTC-23	Presence Of Debugging Code	Logical Issue	Informational	● Resolved
BTC-69	Missing Emit Events	Coding Style	Informational	● Acknowledged
BTC-71	Unused Modifier	Coding Issue	Informational	● Acknowledged

APPENDIX | BTCD

Audit Scope

nbwfoundation/ArbitrationProtocol

-  contracts/core/ConfigManager.sol
-  contracts/core/ArbitratorManager.sol
-  contracts/core/CompensationManager.sol
-  contracts/core/TransactionManager.sol
-  contracts/core/ArbitratorWhitelist.sol
-  contracts/core/AssetManager.sol
-  contracts/core/DAppRegistry.sol
-  contracts/core/TokenWhitelist.sol
-  contracts/ArbitrationProtocol.sol
-  contracts/MultiSignWallet.sol
-  contracts/Timelock.sol

nbwfoundation/btcd-stablecoins

-  contracts/interest/Interest.sol
-  contracts/issuer/Issuer.sol
-  contracts/order/Order.sol
-  contracts/order/OrderProxy.sol
-  contracts/orderTools/LoanTools.sol
-  contracts/stableCoin/StableCoin.sol
-  contracts/Pledge.sol

nbwfoundation/btcd-stablecoins

-  contracts/order/OrderFactory.sol
-  contracts/orderTools/GetLoanTools.sol
-  contracts/proof/ProofSubmitters.sol
-  contracts/scriptBuilder/LoanScript.sol
-  contracts/staking/StakingFactory.sol
-  contracts/LoanContract.sol
-  contracts/issuer/IIssuer.sol
-  contracts/libraries/ConfigManagerKeys.sol
-  contracts/libraries/DataTypes.sol
-  contracts/libraries/Errors.sol
-  contracts/order/IOrder.sol
-  contracts/order/IOrderFactory.sol
-  contracts/scriptBuilder/ILoanScript.sol
-  contracts/stableCoin/IStableCoin.sol
-  contracts/staking/Staking.sol
-  contracts/utills/Bech32.sol
-  contracts/utills/Bytes.sol
-  contracts/utills/BytesLib.sol
-  contracts/utills/ContractConst.sol
-  contracts/utills/Memory.sol
-  contracts/utills/MerkleProof.sol
-  contracts/utills/MerkleVerifier.sol

nbwfoundation/btcd-stablecoins

 contracts/Utils/MyMath.sol contracts/Utils/TransferHelper.sol contracts/MultiSignWallet.sol contracts/Multicall3.sol contracts/Timelock.sol

nbwfoundation/loan_unlock_tx

 contracts/btcAddress/BtcAddress.sol contracts/MsgTxSerialize.sol contracts/btcAddress/ScriptBuilder.sol contracts/btcScript/Opcode.sol contracts/btcScript/SigHash.sol contracts/btcTx/BtcConst.sol contracts/btcTx/BtcTx_Factory.sol contracts/btcTx/MsgTx.sol contracts/LoanUnLock.sol

Finding Categories

Categories	Description
Coding Style	Coding Style findings may not affect code behavior, but indicate areas where coding practices can be improved to make the code more understandable and maintainable.
Coding Issue	Coding Issue findings are about general code quality including, but not limited to, coding mistakes, compile errors, and performance issues.
Denial of Service	Denial of Service findings indicate that an attacker may prevent the program from operating correctly or responding to legitimate requests.

Categories	Description
Access Control	Access Control findings are about security vulnerabilities that make protected assets unsafe.
Inconsistency	Inconsistency findings refer to different parts of code that are not consistent or code that does not behave according to its specification.
Volatile Code	Volatile Code findings refer to segments of code that behave unexpectedly on certain edge cases and may result in vulnerabilities.
Logical Issue	Logical Issue findings indicate general implementation issues related to the program logic.
Centralization	Centralization findings detail the design choices of designating privileged roles or other centralized controls over the code.
Financial Manipulation	Financial Manipulation findings indicate issues in design that may lead to financial losses.
Design Issue	Design Issue findings indicate general issues at the design level beyond program logic that are not covered by other finding categories.

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