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OAuth 2.0 Security Best Current Practice

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What is it?

- Complements and enhances RFC 6819
- Systematically captures additional security threats and respective mitigations
- Recommends mitigations beyond security considerations in RFC 6749

Recommendations

- Exact redirect URI matching at AS (**token leakage**)
- Avoid any redirects or forwards, which can be parameterized by URI query parameters (**open redirection**)
- One-time use tokens carried in the STATE parameter for **CSRF** prevention
- AS-specific redirect URIs (**mix-up**)
- Clients shall use PKCE (or nonce) to prevent **code injection/replay**
- TLS-based methods for sender constraint access tokens (**token replay**)
- Use end-to-end TLS whenever possible (**token leakage**)
- Access Token Privileges Restriction (**privilege escalation**) **NEW**

Implicit Grant & Access Token Replay **NEW**

- Options to protect implicit grant are in an early stage of adoption
  - Token binding
  - JARM
- Recommendation: use Authorization code instead of implicit
  - OpenID Connect clients may use response type "token id_token" and "nonce"
- Single Page Applications can be built with authorization code due to CORS