

RE: Remote Desktop & Terminal Services Security

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RDP is as secure as your password policy, i.e. if users have strong passwords TS is very secure, if you have simple passwords, then it's somewhat vulnerable to password attack, although TS will drop repeated failed logon attempts.

RDP is natively encrypted via 128-bit, bi-directional RC4 encryption. Only one port is required for TS to operate, the default port is 3389. I assume the second port you're referring to is for Remote Desktop Web, i.e. port 80 or 443.

I have never seen or heard of a cracked network due to vulnerability in the current RDP protocol.

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"Ron Boetger" wrote:

- > How safe is it to use Remote Desktop and Terminal Services? I have a
- > router using NAT and I have forwarded the 2 ports needed for Terminal
- > Services and Remote desktop to my test server.
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- > I would like to know how secure this is?
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- > What are best practices for using both?
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- > Thanks
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