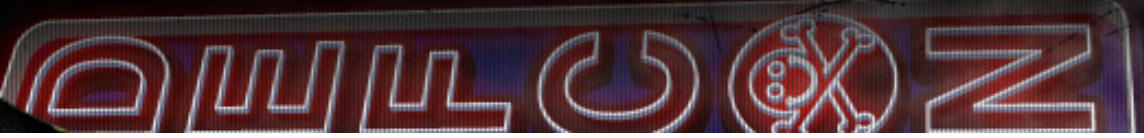


EXHIBIT 2



OFFICIAL DEFCON FAQ v0.95

[NOTE: Before this
FAQ goes production
1.0 it will be split into
two, one for general
DEF CON questions,
and another for the

What is DEFCON?

DEFCON is one of the oldest continuous running hacker conventions around, and also one of the largest.

How did DEFCON start?

Originally started in 1993, it was meant to be a party for members of "Platinum Net", a Fido protocol based hacking network out of Canada. As the main U.S. hub I was helping the Platinum Net organizer (I forget his name) plan a closing party for all the

member BBS systems and their users. He was going to shut down the network when his dad took a new job and had to move away. We talking about where we might hold it, when all of a sudden he left early and disappeared. I was just planning a party for a network that was shut down, except for my U.S. nodes. I decided what the hell, I'll invite the members of all the other networks my BBS (A Dark Tangent System) system was a part of including Cyber Crime International (CCI), Hit Net, Tired of Protection (ToP), and

remember. Why not invite everyone on #hack? Good idea!

Where did the name come from?

The short answer is a combination of places.

There as a

SummerCon in the summer, a HoHoCon in the winter, a

PumpCon during

Halloween, etc. I

didn't want any

association with a time

of year. If you are a

Phreak, or just use

your phone a lot you'll

notes "DEF" is #3 on

the phone. If you are

into military lingo

DEFCON is short for

"Defense Condition."

Now being a fan of the movie War Games I took note that the main character, David Lightman, lived in Seattle, as I do, and chose to nuke Las Vegas with W.O.P.R. when given the chance. Well I knew I was doing a con in Vegas, so it all just sort of worked out.

There are several resources that will give you an idea of what DEFCON is all about.

DEFCON Press:
through the prism of the media
DEFCON Pics: visual evidence, thousands of pictures, some NSFW
DEFCON Groups:

Local groups that meet

DEFCON Media

archives: Speeches

from DC 1 to the

present, captured

Google: always a good

research starting point

Just remember,

DEFCON is what you

make of it.

When and where is

DEFCON?

DEFCON is generally

in the last week of July

or first week of August

in Las Vegas. DEFCON

16 will be held August

8-10 at the Riviera

Hotel & Casino in Las

Vegas. Many people

arrive a day early, and

many stay a day later.

Isn't there a
DEFCON FAQ
already?

Yes, an unofficial one.
It's quite humorous,
somewhat outdated,
sometimes
informative, and
DEFCON takes no
responsibility for its
content. It can be
found at <http://defcon.stotan.org/faq/>

What are the rules
of DEFCON?

Physical violence is
prohibited. We don't
support illegal drug
use. Minors should be
accompanied by their
parent(s) or guardian

doing anything that might jeopardize the conference or attendees such as lighting your hair on fire or throwing lit road flares in elevators. DEFCON Goons are there to answer your questions and keep everything moving. Hotel security is there to watch over their property. Each has a different mission, and it is wise to not anger the hotel people. Please be aware that if you engage in illegal activities there is a large contingency of feds that attend DEFCON. Talking about how you are

going to bomb the
RNC convention in
front of an FBI agent is
a Career Limiting
Move!

Is DEFCON
canceled?

No.

What is there to do
at DEFCON?

DEFCON is a unique
experience for each
con-goer. If you google
around you'll find
dozens of write-ups
that will give you an
idea of what people
have experienced at
DEFCON. Trust write-
ups more than media

articles about the con. Some people play capture the flag 24x7, while many people never touch a computer at DEFCON. Some people see every speech they can, while others miss all speeches. Other activities include coffee wars, WI-FI shoot outs, robot contests, TCP/IP contests, movie marathons, scavenger hunts, sleep deprivation, lock picking, warez trading, drunken parties, spot the fed contest, charity dunk tanks, the Black and White Ball. Because DEFCON is what the attendees make of it, there are

more events than even
we are aware of. Half
the fun is learning
what happened at
DEFCON after the fact!

I'm not a hacker,
should I go to
DEFCON?

Many people have
different definitions of
what is a 'hacker'. I
would recommend
looking at previous
years speeches, and
write-ups from past
attendees - this should
give you a good idea if
DEFCON is for you.
This hacker FAQ
might give you some
insight into the matter
as well. If you do not
have any technical

interests, DEFCON is probably not for you. Sure there is a lot of socializing you can do, but technology and hacking is the core of the con.

Do criminals go to DEFCON?

Yes. They also go to high school, college, work in your workplace, and the government. There are also lawyers, law enforcement agents, civil libertarians, cryptographers, and hackers in attendance. Ssshhh. Don't tell anyone.

What are Goons?

They are the staff at DEFCON. They have many roles including security, speaker coordination, vendor room coordination, network operations, et cetera... Please try to be helpful to them if they make requests of you. If any goon tells you to move, please do so immediately as there may be safety issues they are attempting to address. Security Goons generally wear red shirt, Speaker and Content Control wear Blue.

How can I help out

or become a Goon?

The staff at DEFCON has grown organically.

All positions have some degree of trust associated with them, so typically new goons are 'inducted' by friends of existing goons. There are many random points when goons need help and may ask people for help, generally for helping move stuff or other tasks that don't require high amounts of trust or unsupervised work.

Just because you help out doesn't make you a goon. If you really want to be a goon, talk with one and see how much work they

actually do (hint: you may want to enjoy being at DEFCON, not working full-time at it). Last year the network group got a new Goon when a networking engineer was need, and he came to the rescue. The intent behind the goons is not to be elitist, but to have a network of trusted people who can help run the conference - please do not feel upset if you are not chosen to be a goon.

How can I help or participate?

DEFCON is not a spectator sport! Before

the con, during, and after there are chances for you to get involved. Before the con you can read about the contests and maybe sign up for one like Capture the Flag. There are artwork contests for shirt and posters. You can build a bot for Robot Wars, practice your lock pick skills, or just get your laptop all locked down and ready to do battle. Organize your .mp3s. Check out the DEFCON Forums to see what other people are up to. If you want to create your own event, you can do that as well - you will not get official space or sanctions, but virtually

every official event at DEFCON started out as an unofficial event.

After DEFCON you can help support the conference by posting links to your DEFCON photographs at defconpics.org, writing a review of your experiences and posting it online (Don't forget to mailing us (press [at] DEFCON dot org) a copy) or just sending us feedback so we can improve in the future. If you ran a contest write it up and we'll link to it. If you have the results of a contest or a new event we'd love to hear about it.

I would love to see XYZ event, how do I make this happen?

Virtually all events at DEFCON were conceived by the attendees. The DEFCON forums are a great place for recruiting help for an event you want to put on, and making sure your efforts aren't being duplicated. If it doesn't require resources from DEFCON (space, namely) you generally don't have to ask anyone's permission. Most events are unofficial until they've been going on for a couple of years. Please

let us know if you have an idea for an event, we may help facilitate or promote it. Email [suggestions at DEFCON dot org] to keep us in the loop.

How can I speak at DEFCON?

You can submit a response to our CFP (call for papers). All entries are read and evaluated by a selection committee. We would love to have your submission. The call for papers opens March 1, 2008.

I'm press, how do I sign up, why can't I

get in for free (I'm just doing my job)?

Please email [press\[at\]defcon\[dot\]org](mailto:press[at]defcon[dot]org) if you wish press credentials.

Lots of people come to DEFCON and are doing their job;

security professionals, federal agents, and the press. It wouldn't be

fair to DEFCON attendees if we

exempted one group from paying. If you are a major network and

plan on doing a two minute piece showing all the people with

blue hair, you probably shouldn't

bother applying for a press pass - you won't get one. If you are a

security writer or from

a real publication
please submit, and
someone will respond
with an answer.

I want to sell stuff,
how do I do this?

If you want a space in
our vendor area, you
need to apply. Because
of limited space and
our attempt to have a
diversity of vendors,
you may not be able to
get a booth. It is wise
to think of staffing
issues - if you are one
person do you want to
spend your entire time
behind a vendors
booth?

What are the

different price rates?

Everyone pays the same: The government, the media, the 'well known hackers', the unknown script kiddies. The only discount is for Goons and speakers, who get to work without paying for the privilege.

How much is admission DEFCON, and do you take credit cards?

DEFCON costs \$120 USD cash. Do we take credit cards? Are you JOKING? No, we only

accept cash - no checks, no money orders, no travelers checks. We don't want to be a target of any State or Federal fishing expeditions.

Can I pre-register for DEFCON?

No. We used to do this a long time ago, but found that managing the registration list, and preventing one 'Dr. Evil' from impersonating another 'Dr. Evil' too much of a hassle. Seeing how we would only take case in the first place, and things becomes time consuming and easy to abuse. Cash at

the door works every time.

DEFCON is too expensive, how can I afford it?

DEFCON is cheaper than many concerts, and certainly cheaper than many shows in Vegas. Many people have made an art and science out of coming to DEFCON very cheaply. Here are a couple of tips.

Travel: Buy airfare in advance, go Greyhound, Carpool, hitch-hike. (Note: this may be dangerous and/or illegal.)

Lodging: Share rooms

- some people have up

to 10 people they share a room with, find a hotel cheaper than the one that the conference is scheduled at, stay up for three days, etc. (note: this can be hazardous to your health.)

Food: Pack food for your trip, go off site to find food, eat in your hotel rooms, and look for cheap Vegas food at Casinos. (Look for deals and specials that are trying to get you in the door to gamble.)
Booze: You don't need to drink. Brew your own and bring it. (It's been done.)
Entrance: \$120 can be saved, mow some

lawns. Try to go to another 3 day event for cheaper than this that offers so much.

We have increased the fees slowly over the years, but also the amount and quality of events have increased.

With a new hotel for DC-14 some costs have increased, and we have to pass those along.

Inevitably people will try to do some math and pretend that DT gets rich each DEFCON - they seem to lack the ability to subtract.

How many people typically attend DEFCON?

There have been roughly 3,000-5,000 attendees in the last few years of DEFCON.

Is there a network at DEFCON?

Yes. It would be fair to describe the network as 'hostile'. It has been described as 'the worlds most hostile network', but such descriptions are just attempts at flattery. It is recommended that if you want to connect to the DEFCON network pretend that you are sharing out your entire hard drive to 5,000 hackers. You may want to bring a 'clean' computer that you

don't mind being infected/hacked/etc. It is considered very poor form to attempt to DoS the network; while the DEFCON staff may not do anything about such attempts it is reasonable to assume that 'peer justice' may be meted out. If you're unhappy about the possible risks associated with connecting to DEFCON networks there are a couple of options: refrain from computer use for a few days or connect using another network elsewhere in Vegas (another hotel or something).

At DEFCON 13 we rolled out a new WiFi network using Aruba gear. If you were inside the coverage area of the DEFCON access points the new network switch would do things like detect rogue APs and attack them, reset or FIN network connections it didn't like, and prevent one user from being able to scan another user. Nothing is foolproof, but it brought a new level of sanity and stability to the network. We plan to do this again for DC-14. Look in the printed program for the correct MAC and IP address of the gateway router.

What is the age limit?

People have brought children to DEFCON - it is not recommended to do this unless you are going to constantly supervise them. It is generally an 'adult' atmosphere (language, booze, et cetera). If you've never been to DEFCON, you may want to refrain from bringing your children (unless they are demanding that you bring them). While there are no age limits, we have consistently cooperated with parents and/or private investigators who are

looking for children that 'ran away from home' to go to DEFCON. You will have to be 18 to reserve a room.

That said I think NullTone ties with the youngest person to attend DEFCON at 13 year old. Years later he is in college and set up the DEFCON Forums. See, DEFCON won't destroy you completely.

What is a DEFCON "Black Badge"?

The Black Badge is the highest award DEFCON gives to contest winners of

winners sometimes earn these, as well as Hacker Jeopardy winners. The contests that are awarded Black Badges vary from year to year, and a Black Badge allows free entrance to DEFCON for life—potentially a value of thousands of dollars.

How can I get a hold of DT? I tried to mail him and haven't seen a response yet.

DT doesn't dislike you, isn't trying to hurt your feelings, and bears you no ill will.

The fact is he gets an unmanageable load of

mail continually.
Mailing him again may elicit a response. Try mailing FAQ (at) DEFCON.ORG if you have a general question that isn't answered here or in the forums.

What about having a DEFCON in XYZ city/country?

We've been in the city of sin since DC 1. We are not looking to franchise. It's always fun to see people organize conventions in their local areas, and if you do, we'll include you in our calendar, but not with the name "DEFCON".

Is it hot in Vegas?

Yes. Bring sunscreen (high SPF), do not fall asleep near the pool (lest you wake up to sunburn), and do not walk far in the sun unless you are experienced in dealing with extreme heat. The sun is dangerous in Las Vegas. Sleeping in lawn chairs is a sure way to wake up to severe burns in the morning when that bright yellow thing scorches your skin. Drink plenty of water and liquids - remember that alcohol will dehydrate you.

What should I bring?

It depends on what you're going to do at DEFCON. This is discussed in quite some depth on the unofficial DC FAQ, as well as a thread in the DC Forums. You may want to bring fancy (or outrageously silly) clothes for the Black and White Ball, an annual Saturday night event where everyone shows off nifty attire.

Will the Riviera allow free parking?

Yes. You will be able to park for free

regardless if you have a room at the Riviera.

I looked at a map of the convention space and noticed there are sky boxes.

Can I reserve one?

No. If you have any great ideas for what a sky box should be used for, feel free to send us suggestions, but individual attendees will not be able to reserve sky boxes.

How much do rooms at the Riviera cost, and how do I reserve a room?

The Riviera has reservations online or over the phone (800) 634-6753. Room Rates are "flat-fee" based on quantity of occupants. \$98 + tax with 1 or 2 people, \$118 + tax with 3 or 4 people. Priority for room assignment when you say you're with DEFCON is "Deluxe" when making reservations on the phone.

How much is internet access in the rooms of the Riviera?

\$9.00 for 24 hours.
Free (and more dangerous) internet access is available for

free in the convention area.

Will the Riviera broadcast the speeches on their cable system?

No. There will be two DEFCON channels that will provide 'extra' content (short clips, hacker related videos, etc.). It is our intention that everyone who wishes to attend a speech will be able to - this was a primary motivation for moving hotels.

Will we have DEFCON branded poker chips?

You will have to attend DEFCON to find out.

Will conference attendees have entire floors of hotel rooms to themselves?

Probably not. The hotel is very cooperative in attempting to centralize the DEFCON attendees, for their convenience and ours, but there will be non-DEFCON attendees in hotel rooms next to us.

This FAQ didn't answer my

unclear, how can I
get further
information?

There is a forum
discussion thread in
which you can ask
follow up questions.

Get involved
with DEF CON
Groups in
your area!

DEF CON
DEF CON Forums
DEF CON Features
DEF CON Events
DEF CON Merchandise

Discuss hacker
related issues at
the DEF CON
Forums

Upload all your
photos and
videos from
DEF CON at pics.
defcon.org

The graphic features a dark background with a grid of glowing lines. It includes several icons: a stylized 'DEF CON' logo, a film strip with a skull and crossbones, and a screenshot of the DEF CON website. The text is arranged in a grid-like fashion, with some elements rotated 90 degrees.

