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We Heart It Breached, 8 Million Affected

The online image sharing website We Heart It told its members late last week that more than 8 million of its accounts were compromised in a data breach that took place four years ago.

The social media site said in a press statement that any member who created an account between 2008 and 2013 needs to change their password for We Heart It and any other site it might also be used to access. Although We Heart It did not say exactly when the breach occurred it did say that it was notified on 11 OCT that at some point several years ago its system had been compromised and member information including email addresses, usernames, and encrypted passwords were leaked.

We Heart it said the exposed passwords were encrypted, but warned that the algorithm technology used at that time is no longer secure.