

# The Security Layer Between Your AI Agents and the Internet

Pipelock gives security teams an enforcement and inspection boundary for AI agent traffic across HTTP, WebSocket, and MCP.

[Open source core](#) · [Signed releases + SBOM](#) · [OWASP mappings](#) · [Proxy + Scan API](#)

## Why Teams Are Evaluating Agent Egress Controls Now

- Agents now have credentials, tool access, and outbound network reach.
- Prompt injection and poisoned tools can turn normal workflows into exfiltration paths.
- Most teams still lack a dedicated boundary that inspects and controls what agents send out.

## What Pipelock Is

Pipelock sits between the agent and external systems. It does not replace model guardrails or sandboxing. It adds a separate runtime security layer at the traffic boundary.

Agent (secrets, no network) → Pipelock (inspection + policy) → Internet / MCP / APIs

The agent process keeps credentials but cannot reach the internet directly. Pipelock has full network access but holds no agent secrets. Enforced at the deployment layer: Docker, Kubernetes NetworkPolicy, iptables, or macOS PF.

## What Pipelock Is Designed to Reduce

**Credential exfiltration.** 46 DLP patterns across URLs, headers, and request bodies. Decodes base64, hex, URL-encoding, and Unicode evasion before matching.

**Prompt injection.** 6-pass normalization pipeline handles zero-width characters, homoglyphs, leetspeak, and encoded payloads in fetched content and tool responses.

**SSRF and metadata access.** Blocks private IPs, link-local, cloud metadata endpoints. DNS rebinding protection.

**MCP tool poisoning.** Scans tool descriptions for hidden instructions. Detects mid-session changes. 17 pre-execution policy rules.

**Crypto address poisoning.** ETH/BTC/SOL/BNB validation against allowlist. BIP-39 seed phrase detection with checksum.

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layer scanning pipeline

  

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DLP patterns with checksum validators

  

17MB

single static binary

*"Fail-closed everywhere. Timeouts, parse errors, and ambiguous state all default to block."*

**Defense in Depth**

- Sandbox** isolates execution
- Guardrails** shape model output
- Pipelock** inspects the traffic

**Framework Mapping**

- OWASP Agentic AI Top 10
- OWASP LLM Top 10
- EU AI Act (Art. 9, 12-15, 26)
- NIST AI RMF 1.0

## Fits Into Existing Agent Workflows

Mode	What It Does
Proxy	Outbound HTTP/HTTPS scanning via HTTPS_PROXY. Optional TLS interception.
MCP proxy	Wraps stdio or HTTP MCP servers with bidirectional scanning.
IDE hooks	One command for Claude Code, Cursor, or VS Code.
Scan API	POST /api/v1/scan for out-of-band verdicts from orchestrators, CI/CD, SIEM.

Use proxy mode in the data plane. Use Scan API when you need a verdict service in the control plane.

## Built for Evaluation, Control, and Auditability

- **Fail-closed behavior** on parse errors, context cancellation, timeouts, and ambiguous state.
- **Structured audit logs** with MITRE ATT&CK technique IDs. Webhook, syslog, and OTLP emission. 30 Prometheus metric families.
- **Policy enforcement at runtime**, not just prompt-time guidance.
- **Signed artifacts** with cosign signatures, CycloneDX SBOM, and SLSA v1.0 provenance attestation.
- **Documented limitations** and honest gap analysis. Published OWASP coverage mappings.

## Serious Engineering, Not a Demo

- 7,000+ tests with race detection across all proxy, scanner, MCP, and policy paths. 90%+ coverage.
- Private adversarial testing (800+ cases) against the production binary before every release
- Cross-platform release validation (Linux, macOS, Windows on amd64 + arm64)
- Open source core with public docs, threat model, and evasion resistance test matrix
- Single static binary, 17MB, 12 direct Go dependencies

## Typical Evaluation Scenarios

- Teams deploying AI coding agents internally (Claude Code, Cursor, VS Code)
- Enterprises adopting MCP-based tooling across multiple teams
- Security teams reviewing agent egress risk
- Control-plane builders who need a verdict service via API

### Kill Switch

4 independent sources: config file, SIGUSR1, sentinel file, remote API. Any one active blocks all traffic. OR-composed. Agent cannot self-deactivate.

### Supply Chain

- Cosign-signed releases
- CycloneDX SBOM per release
- SLSA v1.0 provenance
- OpenSSF Scorecard 8.7/10
- OpenSSF Best Practices Silver
- 12 direct Go dependencies
- Apache 2.0 (auditable core)

### Licensing

**Community** — Free forever. Full scanning engine, all DLP patterns, all proxy modes.

**Pro** — Multi-agent coordination with named profiles and per-agent policies.

**Enterprise** — Custom annual. Multi-team governance and support.

## Evaluating Pipelock for your team?

We can help scope deployment mode, logging, and policy fit for your environment.

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