

PIC16F87X Rev. B3 Silicon Errata Sheet

The PIC16F87X (Rev. B3) parts you have received conform functionally to the Device Data Sheet (DS30292A), except for the anomalies described below.

All the problems listed here will be addressed in future revisions of the PIC16F87X silicon.

This errata applies to all PIC16F877-20/P production devices marked with an assembly date code prior to 9925.

1. Module: MSSP - SPI mode

The SDI pin is controlled by the module and not by the state of the TRIS bit. This means that the SDI pin cannot be an output when the MSSP module is in SPI mode.

Work Around

None for current silicon revision (fixed in silicon revision B4)

2. Module: Electrical Specifications

The Supply Voltage specification has not yet met the design target (Data Sheet specification). The specification for these devices is shown in Table 1.

3. Module: A/D Specifications

The Offset Error specification has not yet met the design target (Data Sheet specification). The specification for these devices is shown in Table 1.

4. Module: TMR1

When operating in external clock mode (TMR1CS is set), reading either of the timer 1 registers (TMR1H or TMR1L) may cause the timer not to increment as expected. This occurs for both synchronous and asynchronous inputs.

The scenarios which display this are:

- a) When a read operation of the TMR1H register occurs, the TMR1L register may not increment.
- b) When a read operation of the TMR1L register occurs, the TMR1H register may not increment. This improper operation is only an issue when the TMR1L register increments from FFh to 00h (FFh → 00H) during the read of the TMR1L register.

Work Around

Do not read either the TMR1H or the TMR1L registers when operating in external clock mode (TMR1CS is set). If the application needs to read the 16-bit counter, evaluate if this function can be moved to the TMR0 or one of the other timer resources on the device.

TABLE 1: DC SPECIFICATION CHANGES FROM DATA SHEET

Param No.	Sym.	Characteristic	Tested Specification			Data Sheet Specification			Units
			Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
D001	VDD	Supply Voltage	2.5	—	5.5	2.0	—	5.5	V
A06	EOFF	Offset Error	—	—	< ± 2	—	—	< ± 1	LSb

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5. Module: I/O Ports

The IOL condition for the VOL specification has been relaxed for the I/O ports. Table 2 shows what the current data sheet specification is, as well as the limit that the device is currently tested to.

Work Around

None

Clarifications/Corrections to the Data Sheet:

In the Device Data Sheet (DS30292A), the following clarifications and corrections should be noted:

None.

TABLE 2: DC SPECIFICATION CHANGES FROM DATA SHEET

Param No.	Sym.	Characteristic	Tested Specification				Data Sheet Specification				Units
			Min	Typ	Max	Condition	Min	Typ	Max	Condition	
D080	VoL	Output Low Voltage I/O ports	—	—	0.6	IOL = 3.0 mA VDD = 4.5 V -40°C -to 85°C	—	—	0.6	IOL = 8.5 mA VDD = 4.5 V -40°C -to 85°C	V
D080A			—	—	0.6	IOL = TBD mA VDD = 4.5 V -40°C -to 125°C	—	—	0.6	IOL = 7.0 mA VDD = 4.5 V -40°C -to 125°C	V

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