

Section 23. CodeGuardTM Security

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Note: This family reference manual section is meant to serve as a complement to device data sheets. Depending on the device variant, this manual section may not apply to all dsPIC33E/PIC24E devices.

Please consult the note at the beginning of the "**CodeGuard™ Security**" chapter in the current device data sheet to check whether this document supports the device you are using.

Device data sheets and family reference manual sections are available for download from the Microchip Worldwide Web site at: http://www.microchip.com

23.1 CODE PROTECTION OVERVIEW

Depending on the type of dsPIC33E/PIC24E device, the on-chip program Flash memory can be organized into two code space segments. Each of these segments has an implied security privilege level and system function.

- General Segment (GS) This segment is designed for the end-user's system code (all devices contain a General Segment)
- Auxiliary Segment (AS) This segment is designed for the end-user's system code or EEPROM emulation.

Note: Not all devices incorporate an Auxiliary Segment. Refer to the "Memory Organization" chapter in the specific device data sheet to determine availability.

Any operation of the system that potentially allows exposure of the code or data contents is restricted, based on the segment from which the operation originated, or the segment to which the operation targets.

Restricted operations include:

- Programming, erase or verify operations
- · Reads or writes of code space
- Reads or writes of protected data space
- Code flow change into a Secure Segment from outside the segment
- Interrupt vectors into a Secure Segment

Configuration bits are provided to set the security level of the segments. Some devices include key bits in the Configuration registers, which increase the tamper resistance for the Configuration bit, thereby enhancing overall security.

23.2 CONTROL REGISTERS

Several Configuration and Special Function Registers (SFRs) control the security functions. The key registers for supporting the code security features are:

- FGS: General Segment Configuration Register
- FAS: Auxiliary Segment Configuration Register^(1,2)

Register 23-1: FGS: General Segment Configuration Register												
U-0	U-0	R/P	R/P	U-0	U-0	R/P	R/P					
_	—	GSSK<1:0> ⁽¹⁾		—	—	GSS	GWRP					
bit 7	·					•	bit 0					
Legend:		r = Reserved		P = Progra	ammable bit							
R = Readable	e bit	W = Writable	bit	U = Unimpler	mented bit, read	as '0'						
-n = Value at	POR	'1' = Bit is set	İ.	'0' = Bit is cle	ared	x = Bit is unkr	nown					
bit 7-6	Unimplemen	ted: Read as '	0'									
bit 5-4	GSSK<1:0>:	General Segm	ent Key bits ⁽¹)								
	These bits m	ust be set to '0	0' if GWRP =	1 and GSS = 1								
	These bits mu	ust be set to '1	1' for any othe	er value of the	GWRP and GSS	S bits.						
	Any mismatch	n between eith	er the GWRP	or GSS bits, a	nd the GSSK bit	s (as describe	d above), will					
	result in code protection getting enabled. A Flash bulk erase will be required to unlock the device.											
bit 3-2	Unimplemen	ted: Read as '	0'									
bit 1	GSS: Genera	al Segment Pro	gram Flash C	ode Protection	bit							
	1 = General Segment not protected											
	0 = High secu	urity; general p	rogram Flash	segment is pro	otected							
bit 0	GWRP: Gene	eral Segment F	Program Flash	Write Protection	on bit							
	1 = General S	Segment can b	e written									
	0 = General S	Segment is writ	e-protected									

Note 1: These bits are not available on all devices. Refer to the "Special Features" chapter of the specific device data sheet to determine availability.

Register 23-2:	FAS: Auxiliary	Segment	Configuration	Register ^(1,2)

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U-0	U-0	R/P R/P		U-0 R/P R/P U-0		U-0	U-0	R/P	R/P
—	—	APLK<1:0>		—	—	APL	AWRP		
bit 7							bit 0		

Legend:	r = Reserved	P = Programmable bit							
R = Readable bit	W = Writable bit	U = Unimplemented bit,	read as '0'						
-n = Value at POR	'1' = Bit is set	'0' = Bit is cleared	x = Bit is unknown						

DIL 7-0	Unimplemented: Read as 0
bit 5-4	APLK<1:0>: Auxiliary Segment Key bits
	These bits must be set to '00' if AWRP = 1 and APL = 1.
	These bits must be set to '11' for any other value of the AWRP and APL bits.
	Any mismatch between either the AWRP or APL bits, and the APLK bits (as described above), will result in code protection getting enabled. A Flash bulk erase will be required to unlock the device.
bit 3-2	Unimplemented: Read as '0'
bit 1	APL: Auxiliary Segment Program Flash Code Protection bit
	1 = Auxiliary Segment not protected
	0 = High security; general program Flash segment is protected
bit 0	AWRP: Auxiliary Segment Program Flash Write Protection bit
	1 = Auxiliary Segment can be written
	0 = Auxiliary Segment is write-protected
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pter of the specific device data sheet to determine availability of this register.

2: The FAS configuration register can only be modified when code and write protection are disabled for both the general and auxiliary segments.

23.3 DEFINITION OF SECURITY PRIVILEGES

It is important to understand the relative privilege levels of the two code protection segments. Operations can be described as being relative to higher or lower privilege segments. The lower privilege segment can only access code from the higher segment by issuing calls.

Rules governing access privileges are discussed in sections 23.4 "Rules Concerning Program Flow" through 23.6.1 "Rules for Programming Devices in RTSP". Table 23-1 presents a summary overview of these rules during normal run-time operation.

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Table 23-1: Privileged Operations Rules Summary

Target	Segment	(General	Segmer	nt	A	Auxiliary	y Segme	nt	IVT			
Protect	tion Level	No	one	Hi	igh	No	one	H	igh	None		High	
Write-Protected			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Requested Operation (Yes/No)													
PC Rollover into Target Segment		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A (N	lote 3)	
Program Flow Change (PFC) from General Segment reset vector instruction to Target Segment (Note 1)		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Note 2	Note 2		Not	te 4	
Program Flow Change (PFC) from Auxiliary Segment reset vector instruction to Target Segment (Note 1)		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Not	te 4	
Vector Flow Change (VFC) to Target Segment (Note 5)		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Note 2	Note 2		Not	te 4	
PFC from AS to Target Segment (Note 1)		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Not	te 4	
PFC from GS to Target Segment (Note 1)		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Note 2	Note 2		Not	te 4	
R/W of Target Segment RAM while executing from:	AS	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A				
Note: Stack assumed to be in GS RAM space, access needed.	GS	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	- N/A			
Table Read/PSV of Target Segment Program Flash	AS	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
while executing from: (Note 7)	GS	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Table Write of Target Segment (load write latches)		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Note 1: Program Flow Change (PFC) is defined as when the PC is loaded with a new value instead of the normal automatic increment. It includes JUMP, CALL, RETURN, RETFIE, Computed Jump, etc.

- 2: PFC is allowed only to the last 32 instruction locations of the segment.
- 3: Since execution is not permitted in the VS segment, this condition is not possible.
- 4: A PFC operation (i.e., branch, call, etc.) into the IVT segment is possible. But as soon as execution is attempted out of this segment an illegal address trap will result (unless pointed to Reset vector at address 0x000000).
- 5: Vector Flow Change (VFC) is defined as when the PC is loaded with a interrupt or trap vector address.
- 6: Operation allowed if there is no higher security privilege-segment defined.
- 7: TBLRD or DS read will execute, but returns all '0's if not allowed.
- 8: The FAS configuration register can be modified only when code and write protection are disabled for both the general and auxiliary segments.

Table 23-1: Privileged Operations Rules Summary (Continued)

Target	Target Segment				nt	A	uxiliary	Segment IVT					
Protect	Protection Level		one	Hi	gh	No	one	Hi	gh	None		High	
Write-Protected		No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Requested Operation (Yes/No)													
Program/Erase row of Target Segment program Flash	AS	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No
while executing from:	GS	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No
Erase All		Command not valid in RTSP mode											
Erase GS Segment/code-protect		Erase GS segment and GS code protection fuses, Erase VS											
Erase AS Segment/code-protect		Erase AS segment and AS code protection fuses											
Erase AS Segment			Erase AS segment only										
Erase GS Segment						Eras	se GS S	egment	Only				
Program configuration register							Ye	s ⁽⁸⁾					

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23.4 RULES CONCERNING PROGRAM FLOW

Program flow refers to the execution sequence of program instructions in program memory. Normally, instructions are executed sequentially as the Program Counter (PC) increments.

Program Flow Change (PFC) occurs when the PC is reloaded as a result of Call, Jump, Computed Jump, Return, Return from Subroutine, or other form of branch instruction. A PFC allows the program flow to follow an alternate path. A normal PFC only allows the program to branch within the same segment. A Restricted PFC allows the program to branch to a special Segment Access Area of a higher security segment.

Vector Flow Change (VFC) occurs when the PC is reloaded with an Interrupt or Trap vector.

Jumping into secure code at unintended locations can expose code to algorithm detection. Therefore, PFC and VFC operations are restricted if they violate the privilege hierarchy.

PFCs within a segment are unrestricted. Generally, PFC and VFC changes from one segment to another segment are not restricted, except as follows:

- To ensure the integrity of the operations of code within the Auxiliary Segment, the user must restrict program flow options to this segment
- · Program flow can be limited to only allow the segment access areas to be a branch target
- The segment access areas are the last 32 instruction locations of the Auxiliary Segment code space

The owners of the code within the Auxiliary Segment code space can ensure that the access area contains branches to specified sections of the application code, verified to not expose the algorithm.

If a PFC or VFC targets a restricted location, that operation will cause a security reset. The device will Reset and set the IOPUWR (RCON<14>) status bit, indicating an illegal operation.

In addition to this specific security reset, there are also program flow checks that are built into all devices.

If a program flow or vector flow change targets unimplemented program memory space, an address error trap occurs.

Code execution from the vector segment, other than the instruction at the Reset location, is not allowed. If attempted, it results in an address error trap.

23.5 RULES CONCERNING INTERRUPTS

23.5.1 Interrupts and Traps in Secure Modes

Interrupt handling is restricted for the following reasons:

- A Return from Interrupt is one way to corrupt intended program flow (by changing the return address in the stack)
- The secure code should have the opportunity to clear sensitive information before
 responding to an interrupt

23.5.1.1 AUXILIARY SEGMENT INTERRUPT VECTOR

Note: Interrupts occurring when code executes in the Auxiliary Segment causes the processor to vector to the special interrupt vector for that segment. Users may employ a special ISR within the protected segment to hide critical data, and then manually vector to the real ISR by reading the INTTREG SFR.

If an interrupt occurs while the program is running in the Auxiliary Segment, the processor obtains the interrupt vector from the special interrupt vector location at 0x7FFFEA.

Note: Refer to the "**Interrupts**" chapter in the specific device data sheet for the actual interrupt vector address location.

23.5.1.2 INTERRUPT AND TRAP HANDLING SEQUENCE WHILE EXECUTING FROM THE AUXILIARY SEGMENT

The sequence for handling interrupts and traps is as follows:

- 1. Interrupt or trap occurs while code is executing in a Auxiliary Segment.
- 2. Return address is pushed on the Stack.
- 3. The interrupt vector of 0x7FFEA is loaded into the PC instead of the usual interrupt vector.
- 4. Special ISR is executed at address 0x7FFFEA.
- 5. A determination is made if execution of the GS interrupt is allowed. If execution is not allowed, the following two sub-steps are performed; otherwise, if execution is allowed, step 6 through step 14 are performed:
 - a) The INTTREG SFR is read to determine which interrupt to clear.
 - b) Clear the interrupt and return from the special interrupt back to the Auxiliary Segment.
- 6. Actual return address is retrieved from Stack and saved.
- 7. Actual return address is replaced with new return address. For example, 0x7FFFFA.
- 8. INTTREG SFR is read to determine which interrupt vector to jump to.
- 9. Interrupt vector is read from the vector table and executes an indirect jump.
- 10. User application's ISR begins execution.
- 11. User application code executes.
- 12. Return from interrupt (back to location 0x7FFFA).
- 13. Read actual return address from saved location.
- 14. Execute indirect jump to go back to Auxiliary Segment.

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23.6 SECURITY FEATURES AND DEVICE OPERATIONAL MODE

Security functions are dependent on the operational mode of the device. Each device can operate in one of following modes:

- In Run-Time Self-Programming (RTSP) mode (normal device operation), the application code is running and the application code can invoke self programming
- In the In-Circuit Serial Programming[™] (ICSP[™]) mode, the programming mode provides native, low-level programming capability to erase, program and verify the chip. The device is under the command of a device programmer such as PRO MATE[®] 3 or MPLAB[®] ICD 3.

23.6.1 Rules for Programming Devices in RTSP

The device programs itself by using erase commands to first clear a portion of the code. It then writes the new code or data into the write latches, and finally uses a programming command to program the write latch contents into the Flash array. Erase or programming commands are specified by the device specific NVMCON SFR. The NVMOP bit field selects the particular function and the ERASE bit selects between programming and erase functions. The WR bit within the NVMCON register invokes programming operations. Consequently, to protect code integrity, the device restricts the operations that occur on setting the WR bit.

23.6.1.1 ERASING AND PROGRAMMING CODE ROWS OR PAGES

Depending on the implementation of the Flash array, the NVMOP bit specifies erasing or programming a page of the program Flash array.

- If segment write protection is enabled, no erase or programming operations occurs within that segment
- If segment write protection is disabled and high security is enabled, code running within a segment can always erase or program part of its own segment. The exception to this is the IVT in the General Segment. If the General Segment has high security enabled, the page containing the IVT cannot be erased or programmed.

23.6.1.2 ERASING A SEGMENT AND CLEARING CODE PROTECTION

In order to erase a segment and clear code protection in RTSP, the entire segment must be erased. While executing from the Auxiliary Segment, the General Segment can be erased. Conversely, when executing from the General Segment, the Auxiliary Segment can be erased. Two NVMOP commands exist to erase these segments and clear code protection.

23.6.2 Rules for Programming Devices Using ICSP

When the device is connected to a device programmer, the allowable operations are limited to erasing, programming and verifying the device code memory.

- The device programmer uses segment erase commands to erase the device and clear the code protection.
- Programming commands are ignored, if any level of code protection is selected. To program, the General and Auxiliary Segments must have no code protection.
- Devices with any level of code protection cannot be verified. Attempts to verify code-protected devices results in reading '0's.

Once the device is programmed with the desired code, the Configuration bits are written to enable the code protection level. After this operation, the only way to change the device code is by the code itself, or by erasing and clearing the code protection once more.

23.7 TYPICAL PROCEDURES FOR BOOT LOADING A DEVICE

23.7.1 Boot Loader in Auxiliary Flash

A typical scenario for boot loading a device using code protection of these devices, is a system upgraded in the field. Here, the device uses two segments, the Auxiliary Segment and the General Segment. The General Segment contains the application. The Auxiliary Segment contains a secure boot loader. Both segments have high security enabled.

At system Reset, the device vectors to the application in the General Segment.

As the system is operating in the field, a technician connects a reprogramming tool to the system. The application recognizes this connection and branches to a location within the Auxiliary Segment access area. This branch is highly secure and the attempt to modify this branch likely results in a device Reset.

The Auxiliary Segment contains code that allows encrypted communication with the tool. The encryption keys are safe within the contents of the Auxiliary Segment code because only the Auxiliary Segment can access them. If serialized programming is used when the boot loader is initially programmed into the system, the encryption key could be specific to a particular system, further enhancing the strength of the encrypted communication.

Once the boot loader verifies valid communication with the external programming tool, it can then erase the code within the General Segment and clear the General Segment code protection.

The boot loader then receives the encrypted code update from the tool, decrypts it and programs it into the general space.

As the boot loader is running, it is immune from the disruption from interrupts or traps as it can vector those to a secure location within the boot loader itself.

As the boot loader finishes, it can program the Configuration bits to reprotect the general space, make any necessary updates to the vectors and then return to the general application.

23.7.2 Boot Loader in the General Segment

In this scenario, the General Segment contains the application and the boot loader. The General Segment has high security enabled. As the system is operating in the field, a technician connects a reprogramming tool to the system. The application recognizes this connection and branches to the boot loader application. Once the boot loader verifies valid communication with the external programming tool, it can then erase the code within the General Segment and clear the General Segment code protection. The boot loader then receives the code update from the tool and programs it into the general space. Once the boot loader finishes it can then return to the general application.

23.7.2.1 LIMITATIONS

Because there is only one segment, it is not possible to erase the segment and clear code protection without also erasing any boot loader that might be resident within the General Segment. This limits the options for boot loading, but does not prevent it. The boot loader needs to erase and reprogram Flash in "less than segment" partitions, and the loader cannot select write protection for the General Segment. It is also not possible to protect the loaded code from compromises caused by the boot loader itself. Also note that the page containing the interrupt vector table cannot be erased or reprogrammed when high security is enabled. In this situation, a jump-table or fixed ISR locations must be used.

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23.8 RELATED DOCUMENTS

This section lists documents related to this section of the manual. These documents may not be written specifically for the dsPIC33E/PIC24E Product Family, but the concepts are pertinent and could be used with modification and possible limitations. The current documents related to CodeGuard[™] Security are:

Title

Document

No applications notes at this time.

N/A

Note: For additional Application Notes and code examples for the dsPIC33E/PIC24E device family, visit the Microchip web site (www.microchip.com).

23.9 REVISION HISTORY

Revision A (February 2011)

This is the initial released version of this document.

Revision B (December 2011)

This revision includes the following updates:

- Updated 23.1 "Code Protection Overview"
- Added Note 1 to FGS: General Segment Configuration Register (see Register 23-1)
- Added Notes 1 and 2 to FAS: Auxiliary Segment Configuration Register (see Register 23-2)
- Added Note 8 to Privileged Operations Rules Summary (see Table 23-1)
- Updated 23.6.1.1 "Erasing and Programming Code Rows or Pages"
- Updated 23.6.1.2 "Erasing a Segment and Clearing Code Protection"
- Added new heading 23.7.1 "Boot Loader in Auxiliary Flash" in 23.7 "Typical Procedures for Boot Loading a Device"
- Added 23.7.2 "Boot Loader in the General Segment"
- · Minor updates to text and formatting were incorporated throughout the document

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NOTES:

Note the following details of the code protection feature on Microchip devices:

- · Microchip products meet the specification contained in their particular Microchip Data Sheet.
- Microchip believes that its family of products is one of the most secure families of its kind on the market today, when used in the intended manner and under normal conditions.
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