# **PIC18F6X2X/8X2X MICROCHIP**

# **FLASH Microcontroller Programming Specification**

# **1.0 DEVICE OVERVIEW**

This document includes the programming specifications for the following devices:

- PIC18F6525
- PIC18F6621
- PIC18F8525
- PIC18F8621

# **2.0 PROGRAMMING OVERVIEW OF THE PIC18F6X2X/8X2X**

PIC18F6X2X/8X2X devices can be programmed using either the high voltage In-Circuit Serial Programming™ (ICSPTM) method, or the low voltage ICSP method. Both of these can be done with the device in the users' system. The low voltage ICSP method is slightly different than the high voltage method, and these differences are noted where applicable. This programming specification applies to PIC18F6X2X/8X2X devices in all package types.

#### **2.1 Hardware Requirements**

In High Voltage ICSP mode, PIC18F6X2X/8X2X devices require two programmable power supplies: one for VDD and one for MCLR/VPP. Both supplies should have a minimum resolution of 0.25V. Refer to Section 6.0 for additional hardware parameters.

#### 2.1.1 LOW VOLTAGE ICSP PROGRAMMING

In Low Voltage ICSP mode, PIC18F6X2X/8X2X devices can be programmed using a VDD source in the operating range. This only means that MCLR/VPP does not have to be brought to a different voltage, but can instead be left at the normal operating voltage. Refer to Section 6.0 for additional hardware parameters.

# **2.2 Pin Diagrams**

The pin diagrams for the PIC18F6X2X/8X2X family are shown in Figure 2-1 and Figure 2-2. The pin descriptions of these diagrams do not represent the complete functionality of the device types. Users should refer to the appropriate device data sheet for complete pin descriptions.



### **TABLE 2-1: PIN DESCRIPTIONS (DURING PROGRAMMING): PIC18F6X2X/8X2X**

Legend:  $I = Input, O = Output, P = Power$ 

**Note 1:** See Section 5.3 for more detail.

**2:** All power supply (VDD/AVDD) and ground (VSS/AVSS) must be connected.





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#### **2.3 Memory Map**

The code memory space extends from 0000h to 0FFFFh (64 Kbytes) in four 16-Kbyte blocks. Addresses 0000h through 07FFh, however, define a "Boot Block" region that is treated separately from Block 1. All of these blocks define code protection boundaries within the code memory space.

In contrast, code memory panels are defined in 8-Kbyte boundaries. Panels are discussed in greater detail in Section 3.2.

#### **TABLE 2-2: IMPLEMENTATION OF CODE MEMORY**



#### **FIGURE 2-3: MEMORY MAP AND THE CODE MEMORY SPACE FOR PIC18F6X2X/8X2X DEVICES**



In addition to the code memory space, there are three blocks in the configuration and ID space that are accessible to the user through table reads and table writes. Their locations in the memory map are shown in Figure 2-4.

Users may store identification information (ID) in eight ID registers. These ID registers are mapped in addresses 200000h through 200007h. The ID locations read out normally, even after code protection is applied.

Locations 300000h through 30000Dh are reserved for the configuration bits. These bits select various device options and are described in Section 5.0. These configuration bits read out normally, even after code protection.

Locations 3FFFFEh and 3FFFFFh are reserved for the device ID bits. These bits may be used by the programmer to identify what device type is being programmed and are described in Section 5.0. These device ID bits read out normally, even after code protection.

#### 2.3.1 MEMORY ADDRESS POINTER

Memory in the address space 0000000h to 3FFFFFh is addressed via the Table Pointer register, which is comprised of three Pointer registers:

- TBLPTRU, at RAM address 0FF8h
- TBLPTRH, at RAM address 0FF7h
- TBLPTRL, at RAM address 0FF6h



The 4-bit command, '0000' (Core Instruction), is used to load the Table Pointer prior to using many read or write operations.



#### **FIGURE 2-4: CONFIGURATION AND ID LOCATIONS FOR PIC18F6X2X/8X2X DEVICES**

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### **2.4 High Level Overview of the Programming Process**

Figure 2-6 shows the high level overview of the programming process. First, a bulk erase is performed. Next, the code memory, ID locations, and data EEPROM are programmed. These memories are then verified to ensure that programming was successful. If no errors are detected, the configuration bits are then programmed and verified.

# **2.5 Entering High Voltage ICSP Program/Verify Mode**

The High Voltage ICSP Program/Verify mode is entered by holding PGC and PGD low and then raising MCLR/VPP to VIHH (high voltage). Once in this mode, the code memory, data EEPROM, ID locations, and configuration bits can be accessed and programmed in serial fashion.

The sequence that enters the device into the Program/ Verify mode places all unused I/Os in the high-impedance state.

#### 2.5.1 ENTERING LOW VOLTAGE ICSP PROGRAM/VERIFY MODE

When the LVP configuration bit is '1' (see Section 5.3), the Low Voltage ICSP mode is enabled. Low Voltage ICSP Program/Verify mode is entered by holding PGC and PGD low, placing a logic high on PGM, and then raising MCLR/VPP to VIH. In this mode, the RB5/PGM pin is dedicated to the programming function and ceases to be a general purpose I/O pin.

The sequence that enters the device into the Program/ Verify mode places all unused I/Os in the high-impedance state.



# **FIGURE 2-6: HIGH LEVEL**



#### **FIGURE 2-7: ENTERING LOW VOLTAGE PROGRAM/ VERIFY MODE**



### **2.6 Serial Program/Verify Operation**

The PGC pin is used as a clock input pin and the PGD pin is used for entering command bits and data input/ output during serial operation. Commands and data are transmitted on the rising edge of PGC, latched on the falling edge of PGC, and are Least Significant bit (LSb) first.

#### 2.6.1 4-BIT COMMANDS

All instructions are 20 bits, consisting of a leading 4-bit command followed by a 16-bit operand which depends on the type of command being executed. To input a command, PGC is cycled four times. The commands needed for programming and verification are shown in Table 2-3.

Depending on the 4-bit command, the 16-bit operand represents 16 bits of input data or 8 bits of input data and 8 bits of output data.

Throughout this specification, commands and data are presented as illustrated in Table 2-4. The 4-bit command is shown MSb first. The command operand, or "Data Payload", is shown <MSB><LSB>. Figure 2-8 demonstrates how to serially present a 20-bit command/operand to the device.

#### 2.6.2 CORE INSTRUCTION

The core instruction passes a 16-bit instruction to the CPU core for execution. This is needed to setup registers as appropriate for use with other commands.

#### **TABLE 2-3: COMMANDS FOR PROGRAMMING**



#### **TABLE 2-4: SAMPLE COMMAND SEQUENCE**





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# **3.0 DEVICE PROGRAMMING**

### **3.1 High Voltage ICSP Bulk Erase**

Erasing code or data EEPROM is accomplished by writing an "erase option" to address 3C0004h. Code memory may be erased portions at a time, or the user may erase the entire device in one action. "Bulk Erase" operations will also clear any code protect settings associated with the memory block erased. Erase options are detailed in Table 3-1.





The actual Bulk Erase function is a self-timed operation. Once the erase has started (falling edge of the 4th PGC after the NOP command), serial execution will cease until the erase completes (parameter P11). During this time, PGC may continue to toggle but PGD must be held low.

The code sequence to erase the entire device is shown in Figure 3-2 and the flow chart is shown in Figure 3-1.

**Note:** A bulk erase is the only way to reprogram code protect bits from an on-state to an off-state.

# **FIGURE 3-2: BULK ERASE TIMING**



**TABLE 3-2: BULK ERASE COMMAND SEQUENCE**







### 3.1.1 LOW VOLTAGE ICSP BULK ERASE

When using low voltage ICSP, the part must be supplied by the voltage specified in parameter #D111 if a bulk erase is to be executed. All other bulk erase details as described above apply.

If it is determined that a program memory erase must be performed at a supply voltage below the bulk erase limit, refer to the erase methodology described in Sections 3.1.2 and 3.2.2.

If it is determined that a data EEPROM erase must be performed at a supply voltage below the bulk erase limit, follow the methodology described in Section 3.3 and write '1's to the array.

#### 3.1.2 ICSP MULTI-PANEL SINGLE ROW ERASE

Regardless of whether high or low voltage ICSP is used, it is possible to erase a single row (64 bytes of data) in all panels at once. For example, in the case of a 64-Kbyte device (8 panels), 512 bytes through 64 bytes in each panel can be erased simultaneously during each erase sequence. In this case, the offset of the erase within each panel is the same (see Figure 3-5). Multipanel single row erase is enabled by appropriately configuring the Programming Control register located at 3C0006h.

The multi-panel single row erase duration is externally timed and is controlled by PGC. After a "Start Programming" command is issued (4-bit command, '1111'), a NOP is issued, where the 4th PGC is held high for the duration of the programming time, P9.

After PGC is brought low, the programming sequence is terminated. PGC must be held low for the time specified by parameter P10 to allow high voltage discharge of the memory array.

The code sequence to erase a PIC18F6X2X/8X2X device is shown in Table 3-3. The flow chart shown in Figure 3-3 depicts the logic necessary to completely erase a PIC18F6X2X/8X2X device. The timing diagram that details the "Start Programming" command, and parameters P9 and P10 is shown in Figure 3-6.

**Note:** The TBLPTR register must contain the same offset value when initiating the programming sequence as it did when the write buffers were loaded.

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# **TABLE 3-3: ERASE CODE MEMORY CODE SEQUENCE**

# **FIGURE 3-3: MULTI-PANEL SINGLE ROW ERASE CODE MEMORY FLOW**



# **3.2 Code Memory Programming**

Programming code memory is accomplished by first loading data into the appropriate write buffers and then initiating a programming sequence. Each panel in the code memory space (see Figure 2-3) has an 8-byte deep write buffer that must be loaded prior to initiating a write sequence. The actual memory write sequence takes the contents of these buffers and programs the associated EEPROM code memory.

Typically, all of the program buffers are written in parallel (Multi-Panel Write mode). In other words, in the case of a 64-Kbyte device (8 panels with an 8-byte buffer per panel), 64 bytes will be simultaneously programmed during each programming sequence. In this case, the offset of the write within each panel is the same (see Figure 3-4). Multi-Panel Write mode is enabled by appropriately configuring the Programming Control register located at 3C0006h.

The programming duration is externally timed and is controlled by PGC. After a "Start Programming" command is issued (4-bit command, '1111'), a NOP is issued, where the 4th PGC is held high for the duration of the programming time, P9.

After PGC is brought low, the programming sequence is terminated. PGC must be held low for the time specified by parameter P10 to allow high voltage discharge of the memory array.

The code sequence to program a PIC18F6X2X/8X2X device is shown in Table 3-4. The flow chart shown in Figure 3-5 depicts the logic necessary to completely write a PIC18F6X2X/8X2X device. The timing diagram that details the "Start Programming" command, and parameters P9 and P10, is shown in Figure 3-6.

**Note:** The TBLPTR register must contain the same offset value when initiating the programming sequence as it did when the write buffers were loaded.

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#### **FIGURE 3-4: ERASE AND WRITE BOUNDARIES**





### **TABLE 3-4: WRITE CODE MEMORY CODE SEQUENCE**

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#### 3.2.1 SINGLE PANEL PROGRAMMING

The programming example presented in Section 3.2 utilizes multi-panel programming. This technique greatly decreases the total amount of time necessary to completely program a device and is the recommended method of completely programming a device.

There may be situations, however, where it is advantageous to limit writes to a single panel. In such cases, the user only needs to disable the multi-panel write feature of the device by appropriately configuring the Programming Control register located at 3C0006h.

The single panel that will be written will automatically be enabled based on the value of the Table Pointer.

**Note:** Even though multi-panel writes are disabled, the user must still fill the 8-byte write buffer for the given panel.

#### 3.2.2 MODIFYING CODE MEMORY

All of the programming examples up to this point have assumed that the device has been bulk erased prior to programming (see Section 3.1). It may be the case, however, that the user wishes to modify only a section of an already programmed device.

The minimum amount of data that can be written to the device is 8 bytes. This is accomplished by placing the device in Single Panel Write mode (see Section 3.2.1), loading the 8-byte write buffer for the panel, and then initiating a write sequence. In this case, however, it is assumed that the address space to be written already has data in it (i.e., it is not blank).

The minimum amount of code memory that may be erased at a given time is 64 bytes. Again, the device must be placed in Single Panel Write mode. The EECON1 register must then be used to erase the 64-byte target space prior to writing the data.

When using the EECON1 register to act on code memory, the EEPGD bit must be set (EECON1 $<$ 7 $>$  = 1) and the CFGS bit must be cleared (EECON1<6 $>$  = 0). The WREN bit must be set (EECON1<2> = 1) to enable writes of any sort (e.g., erases), and this must be done prior to initiating a write sequence. The FREE bit must be set (EECON1<4> $=$  1) in order to erase the program space being pointed to by the Table Pointer. The erase sequence is initiated by the setting the WR bit  $(EECON1<1>=1)$ . It is strongly recommended that the WREN bit be set only when absolutely necessary.

To help prevent inadvertent writes when using the EECON1 register, EECON2 is used to "enable" the WR bit. This register must be sequentially loaded with 55h and then AAh, immediately prior to asserting the WR bit in order for the write to occur.

The erase will begin on the falling edge of the 4th PGC after the WR bit is set. After the erase sequence terminates, PGC must still be held low for the time specified by parameter #P10 to allow high voltage discharge of the memory array.

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### **TABLE 3-5: MODIFYING CODE MEMORY**

### **3.3 Data EEPROM Programming**

Data EEPROM is accessed one byte at a time via an address pointer (register pair EEADR:EEADRH) and a data latch (EEDATA). Data EEPROM is written by loading EEADR:EEADRH with the desired memory location, EEDATA with the data to be written, and initiating a memory write by appropriately configuring the EECON1 and EECON2 registers. A byte write automatically erases the location and writes the new data (erase-before-write).

When using the EECON1 register to perform a data EEPROM write, both the EEPGD and CFGS bits must be cleared (EECON1<7:6 $>$  = 00). The WREN bit must be set (EECON1<2> =  $1$ ) to enable writes of any sort, and this must be done prior to initiating a write sequence. The write sequence is initiated by setting the WR bit (EECON1<1> $= 1$ ). It is strongly recommended that the WREN bit be set only when absolutely necessary.

To help prevent inadvertent writes when using the EECON1 register, EECON2 is used to "enable" the WR bit. This register must be sequentially loaded with 55h and then AAh immediately prior to asserting the WR bit in order for the write to occur.

The write begins on the falling edge of the 4th PGC after the WR bit is set. It ends when the WR bit is cleared by hardware.

After the programming sequence terminates, PGC must still be held low for the time specified by parameter P10 to allow high voltage discharge of the memory array.





#### **FIGURE 3-7: PROGRAM DATA FLOW**





### **TABLE 3-6: PROGRAMMING DATA MEMORY**

**Note 1:** See Figure 4-4 for details on shift out data timing.

### **3.4 ID Location Programming**

The ID locations are programmed much like the code memory, except that multi-panel writes must be disabled. The single panel that will be written will automatically be enabled, based on the value of the Table Pointer. The ID registers are mapped in addresses 200000h through 200007h. These locations read out normally even after code protection.



Table 3-7 demonstrates the code sequence required to write the ID locations.

In order to modify the ID locations, refer to the methodology described in Section 3.2.2, "Modifying Code Memory". As with code memory, the ID locations must be erased before modified.



### **TABLE 3-7: WRITE ID SEQUENCE**

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#### **3.5 Boot Block Programming**

The Boot Block segment is programmed in exactly the same manner as the ID locations (see Section 3.4). Multi-panel writes must be disabled so that only addresses in the range 0000h to 07FFh will be written.

The code sequence detailed in Table 3-7 should be used, except that the address data used in "Step 2" will be in the range 000000h to 0007FFh.

#### **3.6 Configuration Bits Programming**

Unlike code memory, the configuration bits are programmed a byte at a time. The "Table Write, Begin Programming" 4-bit command (1111) is used, but only 8 bits of the following 16-bit payload will be written. The LSB of the payload will be written to even addresses and the MSB will be written to odd addresses. The code sequence to program two consecutive configuration locations is shown in Table 3-8.



#### **TABLE 3-8: SET ADDRESS POINTER TO CONFIGURATION LOCATION**



**Note 1:** If the code protection bits are programmed while the program counter resides in the same block, then the interaction of code protection logic may prevent further table write. To avoid this situation, move the program counter outside the code protection area (e.g., GOTO 100000h).

**2:** Enabling the write protection of configuration bits (WRTC = 0 in CONFIG6H) will prevent further writing of configuration bits. Always write all the configuration bits before enabling the write protection for configuration bits.



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# **4.0 READING THE DEVICE**

### **4.1 Read Code Memory, ID Locations, and Configuration Bits**

Code memory is accessed one byte at a time via the 4-bit command, '1001' (table read, post-increment). The contents of memory pointed to by the Table Pointer (TBLPTRU:TBLPTRH:TBLPTRL) is loaded into the Table Latch and then serially output on PGD.

The 4-bit command is shifted in LSb first. The read is executed during the next 8 clocks, then shifted out on PGD during the last 8 clocks, LSb to MSb. A delay of P6 must be introduced after the falling edge of the 8th PGC of the operand to allow PGD to transition from an input to an output. During this time, PGC must be held low (see Figure 4-1). This operation also increments the Table Pointer pointer by one, pointing to the next byte in code memory for the next read.

This technique will work to read any memory in the 000000h to 3FFFFFh address space, so it also applies to the reading of the ID and Configuration registers.



### **TABLE 4-1: READ CODE MEMORY SEQUENCE**

# **FIGURE 4-1: TABLE READ POST-INCREMENT INSTRUCTION TIMING (1001)**



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### **4.2 Verify Code Memory and ID locations**

The verify step involves reading back the code memory space and comparing it against the copy held in the programmer's buffer. Memory reads occur a single byte at a time, so two bytes must be read to compare against the word in the programmer's buffer. Refer to Section 4.1 for implementation details of reading code memory.

The Table Pointer must be manually set to 200000h (base address of the ID locations) once the code memory has been verified. The post-increment feature of the table read 4-bit command may not be used to increment the Table Pointer beyond the code memory space. In a 64-Kbyte device, for example, a postincrement read of address FFFFh will wrap the Table Pointer back to 0000h, rather than point to unimplemented address 10000h.



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### **4.3 Verify Configuration Bits**

A configuration address may be read and output on PGD via the 4-bit command, '1001'. Configuration data is read and written in a byte-wise fashion, so it is not necessary to merge two bytes into a word prior to a compare. The result may then be immediately compared to the appropriate configuration data in the programmer's memory for verification. Refer to Section 4.1 for implementation details of reading configuration data.

# **4.4 Read Data EEPROM Memory**

Data EEPROM is accessed one byte at a time via an address pointer (register pair EEADR:EEADRH) and a data latch (EEDATA). Data EEPROM is read by loading EEADR:EEADRH with the desired memory location and initiating a memory read by appropriately configuring the EECON1 register. The data will be loaded into EEDATA, where it may be serially output on PGD via the 4-bit command, '0010' (Shift Out Data Holding register). A delay of P6 must be introduced after the falling edge of the 8th PGC of the operand to allow PGD to transition from an input to an output. During this time, PGC must be held low (see Figure 4-4).

The command sequence to read a single byte of data is shown in Table 4-2.



#### **TABLE 4-2: READ DATA EEPROM MEMORY**

**Note 1:** The <LSB> is undefined. The <MSB> is the data.

# **FIGURE 4-3: READ DATA EEPROM**

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# **4.5 Verify Data EEPROM**

A data EEPROM address may be read via a sequence of core instructions (4-bit command, '0000') and then output on PGD via the 4-bit command, '0010' (Shift Out Data Holding register). The result may then be immediately compared to the appropriate data in the programmer's memory for verification. Refer to Section 4.4 for implementation details of reading data EEPROM.

### **4.6 Blank Check**

The term "Blank Check" means to verify that the device has no programmed memory cells. All memories must be verified: code memory, data EEPROM, ID locations, and configuration bits. The Device ID registers (3FFFFEh:3FFFFFh) should be ignored.

A "blank" or "erased" memory cell will read as a '1'. So, "Blank Checking" a device merely means to verify that all bytes read as FFh except the configuration bits. Unused (reserved) configuration bits will read '0' (programmed). Refer to Table 5-2 for blank configuration expect data for the various PIC18F6X2X/8X2X devices.

Given that "Blank Checking" is merely code and data EEPROM verification with FFh expect data, refer to Section 4.4 and Section 4.2 for implementation details.



### **FIGURE 4-5: BLANK CHECK FLOW**



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# **5.0 CONFIGURATION WORD**

The PIC18F6X2X/8X2X devices have several configuration words. These bits can be set or cleared to select various device configurations. All other memory areas should be programmed and verified prior to setting configuration words. These bits may be read out normally even after read or code protected.

### **5.1 ID Locations**

A user may store identification information (ID) in eight ID locations mapped in 200000h:200007h. It is recommended that the Most Significant nibble of each ID be 0Fh. In doing so, if the user code inadvertently tries to execute from the ID space, the ID data will execute as a NOP.

### **5.2 Device ID Word**

The device ID word for the PIC18F6X2X/8X2X is located at 3FFFFEh:3FFFFFh. These bits may be used by the programmer to identify what device type is being programmed and read out normally even after code or read protected.

### **5.3 Low Voltage Programming (LVP) Bit**

The LVP bit in Configuration register, CONFIG4L, enables low voltage ICSP programming. The LVP bit defaults to a '1' from the factory.

If Low Voltage Programming mode is not used, the LVP bit can be programmed to a '0' and RB5/PGM becomes a digital I/O pin. However, the LVP bit may only be programmed by entering the High Voltage ICSP mode, where MCLR/VPP is raised to VIHH. Once the LVP bit is programmed to a '0', only the high voltage ICSP mode is available and only the high voltage ICSP mode can be used to program the device.

- **Note 1:** The normal ICSP mode is always available, regardless of the state of the LVP bit, by applying VIHH to the MCLR/VPP pin.
	- **2:** While in Low Voltage ICSP mode, the RB5 pin can no longer be used as a general purpose I/O.
	- **3:** If the device Master Clear is disabled, verify that either of the following is done to ensure proper entry into ICSP mode:
		- a) disable Low Voltage Programming  $(CONFIG4L < 2 > 0)$ ; or
		- b) make certain that RB5/PGM is held low during entry into ICSP.





**Note:** The 'x's in DEVID1 contain the device revision code.

<b>File Name</b>		Bit 7	Bit 6	Bit 5	Bit 4	Bit 3	Bit 2	Bit 1	Bit 0	Default/ Unprogrammed Value
300001h	CONFIG1H			<b>OSCSEN</b>		Fosc <sub>3</sub>	Fosc <sub>2</sub>	Fosc1	Fosc <sub>0</sub>	0010 1111
300002h	CONFIG2L					BORV1	BORV <sub>0</sub>	<b>BODEN</b>	<b>PWRTEN</b>	0000 1111
300003h	CONFIG2H				WDTPS3	WDTPS2	WDTPS1	WDTPS0	<b>WDTEN</b>	0001 1111
300004h <sup>(1)</sup>	CONFIG3L	WAIT						PM <sub>1</sub>	PM <sub>0</sub>	1000 0011
300005h	CONFIG3H	MCLRE <sup>(3)</sup>						ECCPMUX <sup>(1)</sup>	CCP2MX	1000 0011
300006h	CONFIG4L	<b>DEBUG</b>					<b>LVP</b>		<b>STVREN</b>	1000 0101
300008h	CONFIG5L					$CP3^{(2)}$	CP <sub>2</sub>	CP <sub>1</sub>	CP <sub>0</sub>	0000 1111
300009h	CONFIG5H	<b>CPD</b>	<b>CPB</b>		—					1100 0000
30000Ah	CONFIG6L					<b>WRT3<sup>(2)</sup></b>	WRT <sub>2</sub>	WRT1	<b>WRT0</b>	0000 1111
30000Bh	CONFIG6H	<b>WRTD</b>	<b>WRTB</b>	<b>WRTC</b>						1110 0000
30000Ch	<b>CONFIG7L</b>					EBTR3 <sup>(2)</sup>	EBTR <sub>2</sub>	EBTR1	EBTR0	0000 1111
30000Dh	CONFIG7H		<b>EBTRB</b>							0100 0000
3FFFFEh	DEVID1	DEV <sub>2</sub>	DEV <sub>1</sub>	DEV <sub>0</sub>	REV4	REV3	REV <sub>2</sub>	REV <sub>1</sub>	REV <sub>0</sub>	Table 5-1
3FFFFFh	DEVID <sub>2</sub>	DEV <sub>10</sub>	DEV <sub>9</sub>	DEV8	DEV7	DEV <sub>6</sub>	DEV <sub>5</sub>	DEV4	DEV <sub>3</sub>	Table 5-1

**TABLE 5-2: PIC18F6X2X/8X2X CONFIGURATION BITS AND DEVICE IDS** 

Legend:  $x =$  unknown,  $u =$  unchanged,  $-$  = unimplemented,  $q =$  value depends on condition.

Shaded cells are unimplemented, read as '0'.

**Note 1:** Unimplemented in PIC18F6X2X devices; maintain this bit set.

**2:** Unimplemented in PIC18FX525 devices; maintain this bit set.

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#### **TABLE 5-3: PIC18F6X2X/8X2X CONFIGURATION BIT DESCRIPTIONS**

**Note 1:** Unimplemented in PIC18F6X2X devices; maintain this bit set.

**2:** Unimplemented in PIC18FX525 devices; maintain this bit set.



#### **TABLE 5-3: PIC18F6X2X/8X2X CONFIGURATION BIT DESCRIPTIONS (CONTINUED)**

**Note 1:** Unimplemented in PIC18F6X2X devices; maintain this bit set.

**2:** Unimplemented in PIC18FX525 devices; maintain this bit set.

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### **TABLE 5-3: PIC18F6X2X/8X2X CONFIGURATION BIT DESCRIPTIONS (CONTINUED)**

**Note 1:** Unimplemented in PIC18F6X2X devices; maintain this bit set.

**2:** Unimplemented in PIC18FX525 devices; maintain this bit set.



#### **TABLE 5-3: PIC18F6X2X/8X2X CONFIGURATION BIT DESCRIPTIONS (CONTINUED)**

**Note 1:** Unimplemented in PIC18F6X2X devices; maintain this bit set.

**2:** Unimplemented in PIC18FX525 devices; maintain this bit set.

## **5.4 Embedding Configuration Word Information in the HEX File**

To allow portability of code, a PIC18F6X2X/8X2X programmer is required to read the configuration word locations from the HEX file. If configuration word information is not present in the HEX file, then a simple warning message should be issued. Similarly, while saving a HEX file, all configuration word information must be included. An option to not include the configuration word information may be provided. When embedding configuration word information in the HEX file, it should start at address 300000h.

Microchip Technology Inc. feels strongly that this feature is important for the benefit of the end customer.

# **5.5 Embedding Data EEPROM Information In the HEX File**

To allow portability of code, a PIC18F6X2X/8X2X programmer is required to read the data EEPROM information from the HEX file. If data EEPROM information is not present, a simple warning message should be issued. Similarly, when saving a HEX file, all data EEPROM information must be included. An option to not include the data EEPROM information may be provided. When embedding data EEPROM information in the HEX file, it should start at address F00000h.

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# **5.6 Checksum Computation**

The checksum is calculated by summing the following:

- The contents of all code memory locations
- The configuration word, appropriately masked
- ID locations

The Least Significant 16 bits of this sum are the checksum.

Table 5-4 (pages 33 through 34) describes how to calculate the checksum for each device.

**Note:** The checksum calculation differs depending on the code protect setting. Since the code memory locations read out differently depending on the code protect setting, the table describes how to manipulate the actual code memory values to simulate the values that would be read from a protected device. When calculating a checksum by reading a device, the entire code memory can simply be read and summed. The configuration word and ID locations can always be read.



#### **TABLE 5-4: CHECKSUM COMPUTATION**

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# **TABLE 5-4: CHECKSUM COMPUTATION (CONTINUED)**



# **6.0 AC/DC CHARACTERISTICS TIMING REQUIREMENTS FOR PROGRAM/VERIFY TEST MODE**



**Note 1:** Do not allow excess time when transitioning MCLR between VIL and VIHH; this can cause spurious program executions to occur. The maximum transition time is:

1 TCY + TPWRT (if enabled) + 1024 TOSC (for LP, HS, HS/PLL, and XT modes only)

+ 2 ms (for HS/PLL mode only) + 1.5 µs (for EC mode only)

where TCY is the instruction cycle time, TPWRT is the Power-up Timer period, and TOSC is the oscillator period. For specific values, refer to the Electrical Characteristics section of the device data sheet for the particular device.

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**NOTES:**

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