

RE46C194

CMOS Low-Voltage Photoelectric Smoke Detector ASIC with Interconnect and Timer Mode

Features

- 3V Lithium or Two AA Battery Operation
- Low Quiescent Current Consumption
- Programmable IRED Drive Current
- Programmable Photo Amp Setup
- 6-Bit ADC
- Programmable Alarm Limits
- Long-Term Drift Adjustment
- Chamber Test
- 9-Minute Timer for Hush Operation
- Programmable Feature Selection
- Low Battery Test
- Temporal or Continuous Horn Pattern
- Horn Synchronization
- Auto-Alarm Locate
- Local Alarm Memory
- Interconnect Up to 40 Detectors
- Remote CO Alarm Response
- Compatible with the RE46C191

Description

The RE46C194 is a low-power, low-voltage CMOS photoelectric-type smoke detector IC. With minimal external components, this circuit will provide all the required features for a photoelectric smoke detector.

The design incorporates a programmable gain photo amplifier for use with an infrared emitter/detector pair.

An internal oscillator strobes power to the smoke detection circuitry every ten seconds to keep the standby current to a minimum. If smoke is sensed, the detection rate is increased to verify an Alarm condition. A High-Gain mode is available for push button chamber testing.

A check for a low battery condition is performed every 86 seconds and chamber integrity is tested once every 43 seconds when in Standby mode. The temporal horn pattern supports the NFPA 72 emergency evacuation signal.

An interconnect pin allows multiple detectors to be connected, such that when one unit alarms, all units will sound.

An internal 9-minute timer can be used for a Hush mode.

Package Type

RE46C194

Functional Block Diagram

Typical Application

NOTES:

1.0 ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

1.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings[†](#page-4-0)

† Notice: Stresses above those listed under "Absolute Maximum Ratings" may cause permanent damage to the device. This is a stress rating only and the functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions above those indicated in the operation listings of this specification is not implied. Exposure to maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

DC Electrical Characteristics

Note 1: Wherever a specific V_{VBST} value is listed under test conditions, the V_{BST} is forced externally with the inductor disconnected and the DC-DC converter NOT running.

2: Typical values are for design information only.

3: Limits over the specified temperature range are not production tested and are based on characterization data. Unless otherwise stated, production test is at room temperature with guardbanded limits.

4: Not production tested.

DC Electrical Characteristics (Continued)

DC Electrical Characteristics: Unless otherwise indicated, all parameters apply at $T_A = 0^\circ C$ to +60 $^\circ C$, $V_{BAT} = 3V$, V_{BST} = 4.2V, **Typical Application** (unless otherwise noted) (Note 1 through Note 4).

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2: Typical values are for design information only.

3: Limits over the specified temperature range are not production tested and are based on characterization data. Unless otherwise stated, production test is at room temperature with guardbanded limits.

4: Not production tested.

AC Electrical Characteristics

Note 1: See timing diagram for horn pattern ([Figure 4-2\)](#page-22-0).

2: T_{PCLK} and T_{IRON} are 100% production tested. All other AC parameters are verified by functional testing.

3: Typical values are for design information only.

4: Limits over the specified temperature range are not production tested and are based on characterization data.

5: See timing diagram for horn synchronization and AAL.

AC Electrical Characteristics (Continued)

Note 1: See timing diagram for horn pattern (Figure 4-2).

2: T_{PCLK} and T_{IRON} are 100% production tested. All other AC parameters are verified by functional testing.

3: Typical values are for design information only.

4: Limits over the specified temperature range are not production tested and are based on characterization data.

5: See timing diagram for horn synchronization and AAL.

AC Electrical Characteristics (Continued)

Note 1: See timing diagram for horn pattern (Figure 4-2).

2: T_{PCLK} and T_{IRON} are 100% production tested. All other AC parameters are verified by functional testing.

- **3:** Typical values are for design information only.
- **4:** Limits over the specified temperature range are not production tested and are based on characterization data.
- **5:** See timing diagram for horn synchronization and AAL.

AC Electrical Characteristics (Continued)

Note 1: See timing diagram for horn pattern (Figure 4-2).

- 2: T_{PCLK} and T_{IRON} are 100% production tested. All other AC parameters are verified by functional testing.
- **3:** Typical values are for design information only.
- **4:** Limits over the specified temperature range are not production tested and are based on characterization data.
- **5:** See timing diagram for horn synchronization and AAL.

Temperature Characteristics

Electrical Specifications: All limits specified for $V_{BAT} = 3V$, $V_{BST} = 4.2V$ and $V_{SS} = 0V$, except where noted in the Electrical Characteristics.

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2.0 PIN DESCRIPTIONS

TABLE 2-1: PIN FUNCTION TABLE

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3.0 DEVICE DESCRIPTION

3.1 Standard Internal Timing

The internal oscillator is trimmed to ±6% tolerance. In standby operation, the boost regulator is powered on once every ten seconds, the IRCAP is charged from V_{BST} and then the detection circuitry is active for 3 ms. Prior to completion of the 3 ms period, the infrared LED, IRED, is active for a user-programmable duration of 100-400 µs. During this IRED pulse, the photo diode current is integrated and then digitized. The result is compared to a limit value stored in EEPROM during calibration to determine the photo chamber status. If a smoke condition is present, the period to the next detection decreases and additional checks are made.

3.2 Smoke Detection Circuit

The smoke detection circuitry consists of an IRED driver and an integrating photo amplifier with gain. The output of the photo amp is digitized by a 6-bit ADC. A smoke check consists of two integrations: one with the IRED off and one with the IRED on. The integration with the IRED off allows light leakage, leakage current and offset effects to be measured. This digitized result is subtracted from the result with the IRED on to produce the final digitized result. The digitized result is compared to the stored alarm limit at the conclusion of the smoke check.

When the digitized result is greater than or equal to the alarm limit, a smoke detection occurs. Three consecutive smoke detections will cause the device to go into local alarm, and activate the horn and interconnect circuits. The RLED will turn on for 10 ms at a 1 Hz rate in local alarm. Once in local alarm, the alarm limit is changed to the hysteresis alarm limit. In local alarm, the boost regulator operates in High Boost mode, which provides consistent audibility of the horn over battery life.

The IRED driver is all internal and both the IRED on time and the IRED current are user programmable. The IRED on time and the photo amp integration period are the same.

The integrating photo amp has three separate gain settings:

- Normal Gain for Standby and Hysteresis **Operation**
- Low Gain for Hush Operation
- High Gain for Chamber Test and Push-to-Test **Operation**

There are four separate sets of alarm limits which are user programmable:

- Normal Alarm Limit
- Hysteresis Alarm Limit
- Hush Alarm Limit
- Chamber Test Alarm Limit

3.3 Battery Test

Once every 86 seconds, the status of the battery voltage is checked by enabling the boost converter for 10 ms and comparing a fraction of the V_{DD} voltage to an internal reference. In each period of 344 seconds, the battery voltage is checked four times. Three checks are unloaded and one check is performed with the RLED enabled, which provides a battery load. The High Boost mode is active only for the loaded low battery test. If the low battery test fails, the horn will pulse on for 10 ms, every 43 seconds, and will continue to pulse until the failing condition passes.

As an option, a Low Battery Hush mode can be invoked. If a Low Battery condition exists and the TEST input is driven high, the RLED will turn on. If the TEST input is held for more than 0.5 seconds, the unit will enter the Push-to-Test operation (see **[Section 3.5](#page-15-0) ["Push-to-Test"](#page-15-0)**). After the TEST input is driven low, the unit enters Low Battery Hush mode and the 10 ms horn pulse is silenced for eight hours. At the end of the eight hours, the audible indication will resume if the low battery condition still exists. The activation of the test button will also initiate the 9-minute Hush mode (see **[Section 3.6 "Hush Operation"](#page-15-1)**).

3.4 Chamber Test

Once every 43 seconds, a chamber test is activated. A check of the photo chamber is made by amplifying the background reflections of the chamber. In chamber test, the normal gain is doubled and the chamber test alarm limit is used for the alarm limit. If the signal level exceeds the chamber test alarm limit, the chamber test passes. If two consecutive chamber tests fail, the horn will pulse on for 10 ms, three times, with a pulse separation of 330 ms and a 43 second period. The three-pulse sequence will continue until the failing condition passes. The boost regulator operates in Low Boost mode for the chamber test.

The chamber test and battery test audible indicators are separated by approximately 20 seconds.

3.5 Push-to-Test

Push-to-Test (PTT) occurs when the TEST input pin is driven high (V_{H}) . The smoke detection rate increases to once every 250 ms after one internal clock cycle. A check of the photo chamber is made by amplifying the background reflections of the chamber. In Push-to-Test, the normal gain is doubled and the chamber test alarm limit is used for the alarm limit. After the required three consecutive smoke detections, the device will go into a Local Alarm condition. When the TEST input is driven low $(V_{|L})$, the photo amplifier normal gain and normal alarm limit are selected after one clock cycle. The detection rate continues once every 250 ms until three consecutive No Smoke conditions are detected. At this point, the device returns to standby timing. In addition, after the TEST input goes low, the device enters the Hush mode (see **[Section 3.6](#page-15-1) ["Hush Operation"](#page-15-1)**).

3.6 Hush Operation

When Hush mode is started, the unit is immediately reset out of local alarm and the horn is silenced. In Hush mode, the photo amp gain is reduced to one half the normal gain setting to lower the unit's sensitivity. In addition, there is a separate user-selectable hush alarm level which sets the Local Alarm condition in hush. When a High Local Smoke condition exceeds the hush alarm level, the unit can be placed into a Local Alarm condition. The RLED is turned on for 10 ms, every 10s, to indicate the unit is in Hush mode. The Hush mode period is nine minutes. After this period times out, the unit goes back to its standby operation.

If the unit is currently in Hush mode, then PTT will test the unit with the chamber test gain and alarm limits. Upon release of PTT, a new Hush mode will be initiated.

Four user-selectable options control hush operation.

The first option allows the hush function to be disabled.

The Hush-In-Alarm-Only option allows the unit to enter hush operation only for a Local Alarm condition when the TEST input goes low. The unit is immediately reset out of alarm and the horn is silenced. If the Hush-In-Alarm-Only option is not selected, then anytime a release of PTT occurs, the Hush mode is initiated. This is Hush-On-Demand.

The smart hush option allows Hush mode to be terminated early. Hush mode can be canceled by a high local smoke alarm, a remote smoke alarm or PTT. A high local smoke alarm is the local smoke alarm caused by a smoke level which exceeds the hush alarm level.

Hush with no alarm is another user-selectable option. This option allows the local alarm to be canceled with the PTT, but a High Local Smoke condition will not place the unit into a Local Alarm condition.

3.7 Long-Term Drift Adjustment

As an option, a Long-Term Drift (LTD) adjustment for the photo chamber can be enabled. If this option is selected during calibration, a normal no smoke baseline integration measurement must be made using Test mode T8. This value is stored in EEPROM. During normal operation, a new baseline value is calculated by making 64 integration measurements over a period of eight hours. The measurements are averaged and the averaged value is used to calculate the Long-Term Drift adjustment.

The Long-Term Drift adjustment is calculated by subtracting the original baseline Long-Term Drift value from the averaged Long-Term Drift value. The Long-Term Drift adjustment is scaled for the operating mode and added to the alarm limits stored in EEPROM during calibration. The new alarm limits are not stored in EEPROM. The LTD adjustment only affects the normal, hysteresis and hush alarm limits. The chamber test limit is not changed by the LTD adjustment.

Long-Term Drift sampling is suspended during the Hush, Local Alarm or Remote Alarm conditions. Any Long-Term Drift values being saved for a new Long-Term Drift average calculation are discarded when Long-Term Drift sampling is suspended. The Long-Term Drift sampling is restarted after the Hush, Local Alarm or Remote Alarm condition has ended.

In order to limit the amount of change the Long-Term Drift adjustment can make, a normal alarm limit maximum value, NAM[5:0], must be set. The NAM[5:0] value must be larger than the normal alarm limit value. When the LTD adjustment to the normal alarm limit is equal to or greater than the NAM[5:0] value, the chamber failure triple horn chirp is sounded.

3.8 Alarm Memory

The alarm memory feature allows easy identification of any unit that had previously been in a Local Alarm condition. The local alarm memory feature is user-programmable.

When a detector exits a Local Alarm condition, the alarm memory latch is set. The GLED can be used to visually identify any unit that had previously been in a Local Alarm condition. The GLED flashes three times. The duration of the flash is 10 ms. Each flash is separated by 1.3s from the next flash. This pattern will repeat every 43 seconds. In order to preserve battery power, this visual indication will stop after a period of 24 hours.

The user will still be able to identify a unit with an active alarm memory by pressing the Push-to-Test button. When this button is active, the horn will pulse on for 10 ms every 250 ms.

If the Alarm Memory condition is set, then any time the Push-to-Test button is pressed and released, the alarm memory latch is reset.

The initial 24-hour visual indication is not displayed if a low battery condition exists.

3.9 Interconnect Operation

The bidirectional IO pin allows the interconnection of multiple detectors. In a Local Alarm condition, this pin is driven high immediately through a constant-current source that is biased by the boost regulator, V_{BST} , operating in High Boost mode (see **[Section 3.13 "Boost](#page-17-0) [Regulator"](#page-17-0)**). Shorting this output to ground will not cause excessive current. The IO is ignored as an input during a local alarm.

The IO pin also has a NMOS discharge device that is active for 1.3 seconds after the conclusion of any type of local alarm. This device helps to quickly discharge any capacitance associated with the interconnect line.

If a remote, active-high signal is detected, the device goes into remote alarm and the horn will be active. RLED will be off, indicating a Remote Alarm condition. Internal protection circuitry allows the signaling unit to have a higher supply voltage than the signaled unit, without excessive current draw.

The interconnect input has a 336 ms nominal digital filter. This allows the interconnection to other types of alarms (carbon monoxide, for example) that may have a pulsed interconnect signal.

As a user-programmable option, the smart interconnect (smart IO) function can be selected. If the IO input is pulsed high twice with a nominal pulse on time greater than 23 ms, and with a period of less than 5.4s, a CO Alarm condition is detected and the CO temporal horn pattern will sound. The CO temporal pattern will sound at least two times if a CO Alarm condition is detected.

3.10 Horn Pattern

The smoke alarm horn pattern can either be a temporal horn pattern or a continuous horn pattern, depending on user selection. The temporal horn pattern supports the NFPA 72 emergency evacuation signal. The continuous horn pattern is a 70% duty cycle continuous horn pattern.

If a CO alarm is detected through the IO, the unit will sound the CO horn pattern. The CO horn pattern consists of four chirps every 5.8s. Each chirp is 100 ms long and the chirps are separated by 100 ms.

The RLED will not turn on when the horn is sounding.

3.11 Horn Synchronization

The horn synchronization function is a user-programmable function.

In an interconnected system, if one unit goes into local alarm, then other units will go into remote alarm. The IO line is driven high by the originating local smoke unit and stays high during the alarm.

If the horn synchronization function is enabled, then at the end of every temporal horn pattern and when the horn is off, the origination unit will drive IO low, then high again. This periodic IO pulsing high and low will cause the remote smoke units to go into and out of remote alarm repeatedly. Each time when a unit goes into remote alarm, its timing is reset. The horn pattern of all remote smoke units will be synchronized with the horn pattern of the originating unit.

A protection circuit ensures that the unit which goes into local alarm first will be the master unit, which conducts the horn synchronization. The units which go into local alarm later will not drive the IO line. This avoids bus contention problems.

This function works with the temporal horn pattern only.

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3.12 Auto-Alarm Locate

Auto-Alarm Locate (AAL) is a user-programmable function. To use AAL, horn synchronization must be selected for the temporal horn pattern. AAL may be used with either the temporal or the continuous horn pattern.

The purpose of AAL is to let users quickly find the local alarm units just by listening. The local alarm units will sound the horn pattern without interruption. The remote alarm units will sound the pattern with an interruption. Every 16s, the remote units are silenced for 4.7s.

The originating unit conducts the IO cycling. For the temporal horn pattern, every fourth temporal pattern, the IO is driven low for one temporal pattern. In the remaining three temporal patterns, IO is still pulsing to keep the horn synchronized. For continuous horn patterns, the IO sends no synchronization pulse but drives IO low for 4.4s to produce a 4.7s silence on remote alarms.

The RLED of the origination unit, and other units in local alarm, will be turned on for 10 ms every 1s. RLED of remote smoke units will be off.

3.13 Boost Regulator

The RE46C194 uses a boost regulator to provide a regulated voltage of 3.6V in standby operation. This provides consistent operation during Low Battery conditions. During a local alarm, remote alarm, PTT or battery test, the boost regulator operates in High Boost mode. This high boost voltage insures the horn achieves the correct sound pressure level and the IO signal is compatible with products that operate from 9V. The high boost voltage is user selectable and may be set to 8.5V or 10.0V.

The boost regulator uses an adjustable minimum off time hysteretic architecture with Current-mode control. The peak inductor current is 0.6A with a minimum fixed off time of 1.6 µs.

The boost regulator uses soft start when switching from low boost to high boost operation to limit inrush current. The inrush current is the result of charging the boost capacitor from the low boost voltage to the high boost voltage. Once the high boost voltage is reached, the boost regulator only has to provide the load current. Limiting the boost voltage ramp rate controls the magnitude of the inrush current.

During soft start, the effective charging current will be about 12 mA. This corresponds to a maximum boost voltage ramp rate of 2 ms for a boost voltage of 8.5V. RLED will not turn on during a boost regulator soft start.

4.0 USER PROGRAMMING AND TEST MODES

User Programming and Test modes provide the means to configure the RE46C194 for a particular application and evaluate the smoke detector's performance. Parametric programming allows the photo amp gain and integration time, along with the IRED current and low

battery voltage, to be selected. [Table 4-1](#page-18-1) lists the parametric characteristics that can be selected for the application. The typical full-scale photodiode current that a particular combination of photo amp gain and integration time can accommodate is included in the table. Only one gain factor, GF, and one integration time can be used for the smoke detector.

Note 1: GF is the user-selectable photo integration Gain Factor. Once selected, it applies to all modes of operation. For example, if GF = 1 and the integration time is selected to be 100 µs, the ranges will be as follows: Normal/Hysteresis = 58 nA, Hush = 116 nA, Chamber Test = 29 nA.

2: Nominal measurement resolution in each case will be 1/63 of the maximum input range.

3: The same current resolution and ranges apply to the limits.

In addition to the parametric setup of the smoke detector, different features can be selected to customize the device for a particular application. The features are described in [Table 4-2.](#page-19-0)

TABLE 4-2: FEATURES PROGRAMMING

4.1 Calibration and Programming Procedures

Fourteen separate Programming and Test modes are available for user customization of the RE46C194. To enter these modes after power-up, TEST2 must be driven to V_{BAT} and held at that level. The TEST input is then clocked to step through the Test modes. The TEST input has two logic high conditions. FEED and IO are reconfigured to become Test mode inputs, while RLED, GLED and HB become Test mode outputs. The Test mode functions for each pin are outlined in [Table 4-3](#page-20-4).

When TEST2 is held at V_{BAT} , TEST becomes a tri-state input with nominal input levels at V_{SS} , V_{BAT} and V_{BST} . A test clock occurs whenever the TEST input switches

between V_{SS} and V_{BST} . The 'TEST Data' column represents the state of TEST when used as a data input, which would be either V_{SS} or V_{BAT} . The TEST pin can therefore be used as both a clock to change modes and as a data input once a mode is set. Other pin functions are described in [Table 4-3](#page-20-4).

The 6-bit ADC used to digitize the integrator output is composed of a counter, a DAC and a comparator. The comparator output is available on the HB output for certain Test modes and is designated as 'SmkComp' in [Table 4-3.](#page-20-4) The DAC output is available in certain Test modes on the RLED pin and is designated as 'DAC' in [Table 4-3.](#page-20-4)

Mode	Description	TEST Clock	TEST Data	TEST2	FEED	Ю	RLED	GLED	HВ
	V _{IH}	V_{BST}	V _{BAT}	V_{BAT}	V _{BAT}	V _{BAT}			
	V_{IL}	V_{SS}	V_{SS}	V_{SS}	V_{SS}	V_{SS}			
T0	Horn Test	0	HornEn	V _{BAT}	FEED	IO	RLED	GLED	HB
T1	Low Battery Test	1	not used	V _{BAT}	FEED	LBstrb	RLED	GLED	LBout
T2	System Setup (22 bits)	2	ProgData	$\rm V_{BAT}$	ProgCLK	ProgEn	RLED	GLED	HB
T3	Norm Lim Set (6 bits)	3	not used	V _{BAT}	CalCLK	IntLat ⁽³⁾	DAC	IntegOut	SmkComp ⁽¹⁾
Τ4	Hyst Lim Set (6 bits)	4	not used	V_{BAT}	CalCLK	IntLat ⁽³⁾	DAC	IntegOut	SmkComp ⁽¹⁾
T ₅	Hush Lim Set (6 bits)	5	not used	V _{BAT}	CalCLK	Int $Lat(3)$	DAC	IntegOut	SmkComp ⁽¹⁾
T ₆	Ch Test Lim Set (6 bits)	6	not used	V_{BAT}	CalCLK	Int $Lat(3,4)$	DAC	IntegOut	SmkComp ⁽¹⁾
T7	Normal Alarm Max. Limit (6 bits)	$\overline{7}$	not used	V _{BAT}	CalCLK	IntLat ^(3,4) , ProgEn	DAC	IntegOut	SmkComp ⁽¹⁾
T8	Serial Read/Write (58 bits)	8	ProgData	V _{BAT}	ProgCLK	ProgEn	RLED	GLED	Serial Out
T9	LTD Baseline (6 bits)	9	not used	V _{BAT}	MeasEn	ProgEn	DAC	IntegOut	HB
T ₁₀	Norm Lim Check	10	not used	V_{BAT}	MeasEn	not used	DAC	IntegOut	SCMP ⁽²⁾
T ₁₁	Hyst Lim Check	11	not used	V_{BAT}	MeasEn	not used	DAC	IntegOut	SCMP ⁽²⁾
T ₁₂	Hush Lim Check	12	not used	V _{BAT}	MeasEn	not used	DAC	IntegOut	SCMP ⁽²⁾
T ₁₃	Ch Test Lim Check	13	not used	V_{BAT}	MeasEn	not used	DAC	IntegOut	SCMP ⁽²⁾
T ₁₄	Normal Alarm Max Limit Check	14	not used	V _{BAT}	MeasEn	not used	DAC	IntegOut	SCMP ⁽²⁾

TABLE 4-3: TEST MODE FUNCTIONS[\(5\)](#page-20-5)

Note 1: SmkComp (HB) – digital comparator output (high if DAC < IntegOut; low if DAC > IntegOut).

2: SCMP (HB) – digital output representing comparison of measurement value and associated limit. Signal is valid only after MeasEn has been asserted and measurement has been made (SCMP high if measured value > limit; low if measured value < limit).

- **3:** IntLat (IO) – digital input used for two purposes. If FEED is at a logic high level, then a low-to-high transition on IntLat will initiate an integration cycle. If FEED is at a logic low level, then a low-to-high transition on IntLat will latch the present state of the limits (DAC level) for later storage. T3-T6 limits are latched, but not stored until ProgEn is asserted in T7 mode.
- **4:** At the end of T7 mode, in order to store the limits, the IO input must be pulsed twice consecutively with FEED held low. The first pulse will latch the data and the second will store the data in EEPROM.
- **5:** Test modes are only intended for product development and agency qualification, and are not intended for use during the normal operation of the smoke detector.

The HS pin is used as an error flag when programming the RE46C194. When an Error condition exists, the HS pin will be asserted high after the program enable, ProgEn, pulse on the IO pin is driven low. The HS pin will remain high until the particular Test mode is exited. The HS error flag can be asserted for Test modes T7, T8 and T9.

Two possible Error conditions can cause HS to be asserted high. First, if the hysteresis alarm limit is set to a value greater than or equal to the normal alarm limit, this can cause a problem in normal operation. Second, if the normal alarm limit maximum is set to a value less than or equal to the normal alarm limit when LTD is enabled. In the second case, the RE46C194 can indicate a chamber fail after power-up.

4.2 Horn Test

Test mode T0 allows the horn to be enabled indefinitely for audibility testing. The detailed steps are as follows:

- 1. Power up with bias conditions as shown in [Figure 4-3](#page-23-0) or [Figure 4-5.](#page-28-0)
- 2. The TEST input should be driven to V_{BAT} while TEST2 is held at V_{SS} .
- 3. TEST2 pin should be driven high to V_{BAT} to enable the horn and driven to V_{SS} to disable the horn.

FIGURE 4-1: Timing Diagram for Mode T0.

4.3 Low Battery Test

This mode allows the user to enable the internal low battery circuitry to perform a low battery test. To enter this mode, follow these steps:

- 1. Power up with the bias conditions shown in [Figure 4-3](#page-23-0) or [Figure 4-5](#page-28-0). V_{BST} should be connected to 5V through a diode, so V_{BST} can enter high boost operation.
- 2. Drive TEST2 input from V_{SS} to V_{BAT} to enter the Programming mode. TEST2 must remain high at V_{BAT} through the following steps.
- 3. Apply one clock pulse to the TEST input to enter the T1 mode. The RLED and GLED will turn on.
- 4. Drive the IO input from V_{SS} to V_{BAT} . This will enable the boost converter. Monitor the HB output for the low battery comparator status.
- 5. Lower or increase V_{BAT} and repeat Step 4.

4.4 System Setup

Test mode T2 allows the parametric and feature selections to be programmed into EEPROM. For Test mode T2, only 22 bits (36 to 57) of [Register 4-1](#page-24-0) will be loaded. Alternatively, Test mode T8 "Serial Read/Write," allows the parametric selections, feature selections and alarm limits to be programmed into EEPROM and read back. For Test mode T8, all 58 bits of [Register 4-1](#page-24-0) will be loaded. For Test mode T2, 22 bits are clocked in serially using TEST as a data input and FEED as a clock input, and are then stored in EEPROM.

The system setup steps are as follows:

- 1. Power up with bias conditions as shown in [Figure 4-3](#page-23-0) or [Figure 4-5.](#page-28-0)
- 2. At power-up, $TEST = TEST2 = FEED = IO = V_{SS}$.
- 3. Drive the TEST2 input from V_{SS} to V_{BAT} to enter the Programming mode. TEST2 must remain high at V_{BAT} through Step 5.
- 4. Using TEST as the data input and FEED as the clock, shift in the values selected from [Register 4-1.](#page-24-0)
- 5. After shifting in the data, pulse IO high to V_{BAT} ten times with a 5 ms on, 5 ms off, cycle to store the shift register contents into EEPROM.
- 6. If any changes are required, drive TEST2 low to V_{SS} and return to Step 2. All bit values must be reentered.

FIGURE 4-3: Nominal Application Circuit for Programming RE46C194.

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REGISTER 4-1: CONFIGURATION AND CALIBRATION SETTINGS REGISTER (CONTINUED)

For the following options, the sequence to be loaded into the register is shown in [Example 4-1:](#page-27-0)

- Photo Amp Gain Factor = 1
- Integration Time = $200 \mu s$
- IRED Current = 100 mA
- Low Battery Trip = 2.2V
- Smart Hush Option = Never Cancel
- Tone Select = Temporal
- High Boost Voltage = 8.5V
- Enable: Low Battery Hush, Hush Option, Hush In Alarm Only, Smart IO, Alarm Memory
- Disable: Long-Term Drift, Horn Synchronization, Auto-Alarm Locate, Smart Hush, Hush No Alarm Option

EXAMPLE 4-1:

The timing diagram for Test mode T2 is shown in [Figure 4-4.](#page-27-1) The minimum pulse width for FEED is 10 µs, while the minimum pulse width for TEST is 100 µs.

FIGURE 4-4: Timing Diagram for Mode T2.

FIGURE 4-5: Circuit for Programming in the Typical Application.

4.5 Smoke Calibration

A separate Calibration mode is entered for each Measurement mode (Normal, Hysteresis, Hush, Chamber Test and Alarm Max) so that independent limits can be set for each. In all Calibration modes, the integrator output can be accessed at the GLED output. The DAC output voltage, which represents the smoke detection level, can be accessed at the RLED output. The SmkComp output voltage is the result of the comparison of the DAC with the integrator output and can be accessed at HB. The FEED input can be clocked to step up the smoke detection level at RLED. Once the desired smoke threshold is reached, the IO input is pulsed from low-to-high to store the result.

The calibration procedure is described in the following steps:

- 1. Power up with the bias conditions shown in [Figure 4-3](#page-23-0) or [Figure 4-5.](#page-28-0)
- 2. Drive the TEST2 input from V_{SS} to V_{BAT} to enter the Programming mode. TEST2 must remain high at V_{BAT} through Step 8.
- 3. Apply three clock pulses to the TEST input to enter T3 mode. This initiates the Calibration mode for normal limit setting. The integrator output will appear at GLED and the smoke detection level at RLED.
- 4. At this point, clock FEED to increase the smoke detection level as needed. Pulling IO high with FEED at a logic high level will initiate an integration measurement. The integrator output signal will appear at GLED. The sequence of incrementing the limit, performing an integration measurement and monitoring the HB output for the resulting comparison can be repeated until the desired threshold is reached. Once the desired smoke threshold is reached, with FEED held low, the IO input should be pulsed low-to-high to latch the smoke detection level.
- 5. Apply a clock pulse to the TEST input to enter T4 mode. This initiates the Calibration mode for the hysteresis limit. The sequence in Step 4 should be repeated to set the hysteresis limit.
- 6. Apply a clock pulse to the TEST input to enter T5 mode and initiate calibration for the hush limit. Repeat Step 4 to set the hush limit.
- 7. Apply a clock pulse to the TEST input to enter T6 mode and initiate calibration for the chamber test limit. Repeat Step 4 to set the chamber test limit.
- 8. Apply a clock pulse to the TEST input to enter T7 mode and initiate calibration for the normal alarm max limit. Repeat Step 4 to set the normal alarm max limit. If LTD is not enabled, this limit set function does not have to be performed, but the value must be latched as described in the next step.
- 9. After pulsing the IO input to latch the normal alarm max limit, the IO input must be pulsed ten times, with 5 ms pulses, using a 10 ms period to store the latched limits into EEPROM.
- 10. HS will be asserted high if the normal alarm max limit is less than or equal to the normal alarm limit, or if the hysteresis alarm limit is greater than or equal to the normal alarm limit.

FIGURE 4-6: Timing Diagram for Modes T3 to T7.

4.6 Serial Read/Write

The alarm limits, LTD baseline and system setup information can be entered directly from the Serial Read/Write mode.

To enter the Serial Read/Write mode, follow these steps:

- 1. Power up with the bias conditions shown in [Figure 4-3](#page-23-0) or [Figure 4-5.](#page-28-0)
- 2. Drive TEST2 input from V_{SS} to V_{BAT} to enter into Programming mode. TEST2 must remain high at V_{BAT} until all data have been entered and stored in EEPROM.
- 3. Pulse the TEST input eight times to V_{BST} to enter Test mode T8. This enables the Serial Read/Write mode.
- 4. TEST now acts as a data input (High = V_{BAT} , Low = V_{SS}). FEED acts as the clock input (High = V_{BST} , Low = V_{SS}). Clock in the alarm limits, LTD baseline, functional and parametric options. The data sequence follows the pattern described in [Register 4-1](#page-24-0). A serial data output is available at HB.
- 5. After the 58 bits have been entered, pulse IO high to V_{BAT} ten times with a 5 ms pulse width and a 10 ms period to store the shift register contents into EEPROM.
- 6. HS will be asserted high if the normal alarm max limit is less than or equal to the normal alarm limit, or if the hysteresis alarm limit is greater than or equal to the normal alarm limit.

FIGURE 4-7: Timing Diagram for Mode T8.

4.7 LTD Baseline Measurement

If the Long-Term Drift adjustment is enabled, a Long-Term Drift baseline must be set. If an accurate value is known based on previous chamber characterization, it can be loaded above in T8 with the serial data. If not, zeros can be entered as placeholders in T8 and a Long-Term Drift (LTD) baseline measurement must be made. To do this, the unit should be connected to its smoke chamber and placed in a No Smoke condition.

- 1. Power up with the bias conditions shown in [Figure 4-3](#page-23-0) or [Figure 4-5.](#page-28-0)
- 2. Drive TEST2 input from V_{SS} to V_{BAT} to enter the Programming mode. TEST2 must remain high at V_{BAT} until the measurement is completed.
- 3. Apply nine clock pulses (V_{SS} to V_{BST}) to the TEST input to enter T9 mode. This initiates the LTD baseline measurement. The integrator output will appear at GLED and the smoke detection level at RLED.
- 4. Pulse FEED from V_{SS} to V_{BST} to make the baseline measurement. The duration of this pulse should be at least 2 ms.
- 5. To save the LTD baseline measurement to EEPROM, pulse IO ten times from V_{SS} to V_{BAT} with FEED held low. The pulse should be 5 ms wide with a 10 ms period.
- 6. HS will be asserted high if the normal alarm max limit is less than or equal to the normal alarm limit, or if the hysteresis alarm limit is greater than or equal to the normal alarm limit.

FIGURE 4-8: Timing Diagram for Mode T9.

4.8 Limits Verification

After all limits and the LTD baseline have been entered and stored into the memory, additional Test modes are available to verify if the limits are functioning as expected.

The procedure is described in the following steps:

- 1. Power up with the bias conditions shown in [Figure 4-3](#page-23-0) or [Figure 4-5.](#page-28-0)
- 2. Drive TEST2 input from V_{SS} to V_{BAT} to enter the Programming mode. TEST2 must remain high at V_{BAT} through Step 7 described below.
- 3. Apply ten clock pulses to the TEST input to enter the T10 Test mode. This initiates the Verification mode for the normal limits setting. The integrator output will appear at GLED and the smoke detection level, DAC, at RLED.
- 4. At this point, pulse FEED high for at least 2 ms to initiate a smoke check. When the smoke detection level exceeds the alarm threshold, the HB output will be asserted high. The test is repeated each time FEED is clocked high.
- 5. Apply a clock pulse to the TEST input to enter the T11 mode and initiate verification for hysteresis limits. Repeat Step 4 to verify the hysteresis limit.
- 6. Apply a clock pulse to the TEST input to enter the T12 mode and initiate verification for hush limits. Repeat Step 4 to verify the hush limit.
- 7. Apply a clock pulse to the TEST input to enter the T13 mode and initiate verification for chamber test limits. Repeat Step 4 to verify the chamber test limit.
- 8. Apply a clock pulse to the TEST input to enter the T14 mode and initiate verification for alarm max limits. Repeat Step 4 to verify the alarm max limit.

FIGURE 4-9: Timing Diagram for Modes T10-14.

5.0 APPLICATION NOTES

5.1 Standby Current Calculation and Battery Life

The supply current shown in the **[DC Electrical Char](#page-5-2)[acteristics](#page-5-2)** table is only one component of the average standby current, and in most cases, can be a small fraction of the total because power consumption generally occurs in relatively infrequent bursts and depends on many external factors. These include the values selected for the IRED current and integration time, the V_{BST} and IR capacitor sizes and leakages, the V_{BAT} level and the magnitude of any external resistances that will adversely affect the boost converter efficiency.

A calculation of the standby current for the battery life is shown in [Table 5-1](#page-34-0) based on the following parameters:

- $V_{BAT} = 3$
- $V_{BST1} = 3.6$
- $V_{\text{BST2}} = 9$
- Boost Capacitor Size = 4.70E-06
- Boost Efficiency = 8.50E-01
- IRED On Time = 2.000E-04
- \bullet IRED Current = 1.000E-01

TABLE 5-1: STANDBY CURRENT CALCULATION

The following sections explain the components in [Table 5-1](#page-34-0) and the calculations in the example.

$5.1.1$ FIXED I_{BAT}

The I_{BAT} is the "Supply Current" shown in the [DC](#page-5-2) **[Electrical Characteristics](#page-5-2)** table.

5.1.2 PHOTO DETECTION CURRENT

The photo detection current is the current draw caused by the smoke test every 10.75 seconds and the chamber test every 43 seconds. The current for both the IR diode and the internal measurement circuitry comes primarily from V_{BST} , so the average current must be scaled for both on time and boost voltage.

The contribution to I_{BAT} is determined by first calculating the energy consumed by each component given its duration. An average power is then calculated based on the period of the event and the boost converter efficiency (assumed to be 85% in this case). An I_{BAT} contribution is then calculated based on this average power and the given V_{BAT} . For example, the IR drive contribution during the chamber test is detailed in [Equation 5-1.](#page-35-0)

EQUATION 5-1:

 $3.6V \times 0.1A \times 200$ ms $\frac{43s \times 0.1A \times 200 \text{ ms}}{43s \times 0.85 \times 3V} = 0.657 \text{ mA}$

5.1.3 LOW BATTERY CHECK CURRENT

The low battery check current is the current required for the low battery test. It includes both the loaded (RLED on) and unloaded (RLED off) tests. The boost component of the loaded test represents the cost of charging the boost capacitor to the higher voltage level. This has a fixed cost for every loaded check, because the capacitor is gradually discharged during subsequent operations and the energy is generally not recovered. The other calculations are similar to those shown in [Equation 5-1.](#page-35-0) The unloaded test has a minimal contribution because it involves only some internal reference and comparator circuitry. The value of the RLED resistor, R6, in the typical application should be set to match the average horn current.

5.1.4 BATTERY LIFE

When estimating the battery life, several additional factors must be considered. These include battery resistance, battery self-discharge rate, capacitor leakages and the effect of the operating temperature on all of these characteristics. Some number of false alarms and user tests should also be included in any calculation.

For 10-year applications, a 3V spiral wound lithium manganese dioxide battery with a laser seal is recommended. These can be found with capacities of 1400 mAh to 1600 mAh.

5.1.5 BOOST REGULATOR

The boost regulator uses a Current-mode hysteretic architecture. The nominal peak current of the Current-mode control is 0.6A. The boost regulator has two operating modes: Low Boost mode operation provides a nominal boost voltage of 3.6V and is typically used in standby operation. The High Boost mode operation provides 8.5V or 10V. The High Boost mode operation is used for Alarm conditions and loaded low battery check. The boost regulator uses soft start when switching from Low Boost to High Boost mode operation to limit inrush current.

The boost regulator efficiency is sensitive to series resistance in the high-current switching path, especially during High Boost mode. From the **[Typical Applica](#page-2-0)[tion](#page-2-0)** schematic, the critical components of this resistance are the inductor DC resistance, the internal resistance of the battery and the resistance in the connections from the inductor to the battery, from the inductor to the LX pin and from the V_{SS} pin to the battery. In order to function properly under full load at V_{DD} = 2V, the total of the inductor and interconnect resistances should not exceed 0.3Ω . The internal battery resistance should be no more than 0.5Ω and a low ESR capacitor of 10 µF or more should be connected in parallel with the battery to average the current draw over the boost converter cycle. The Schottky diode, D1, must have a maximum peak current rating of at least 0.8A. For best results, it should have a forward voltage specification of less than 0.5V at 0.8A and low reverse leakage. Inductor L1 must have a peak current rating of at least 0.8A.

FIGURE 5-1: RE46C194 Timing Diagram – Standby, No Alarm, Low Supply Test Failure and Chamber Test Failure.

FIGURE 5-2: RE46C194 Timing Diagram – Local Alarm with Temporal Horn Pattern, Local Alarm with International Horn Pattern.

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FIGURE 5-4: Timing Diagram – CO Alarm.

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Notes:

- 1. Pin 1 visual index feature may vary, but must be located within the hatched area.
- 2 § Significant Characteristic
- 3. Dimension D does not include mold flash, protrusions or gate burrs, which shall not exceed 0.15 mm per end. Dimension E1 does not include interlead flash or protrusion, which shall not exceed 0.25 mm per side.
- 4. Dimensioning and tolerancing per ASME Y14.5M
	- BSC: Basic Dimension. Theoretically exact value shown without tolerances. REF: Reference Dimension, usually without tolerance, for information purposes only.
- 5. Datums A & B to be determined at Datum H.

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Notes:

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BSC: Basic Dimension. Theoretically exact value shown without tolerances.

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APPENDIX A: REVISION HISTORY

Revision B (January 2020)

The following is the list of modifications:

• Added Note 5 at [Table 4-3](#page-20-6).

Revision A (June 2019)

• Original Release of this Data Sheet.

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