

# Small, Low Power, 3-Axis, $\pm 16 g$ Accelerometer

Data Sheet ADXL316

#### **FEATURES**

3-axis sensing with  $\pm 16~g$  minimum measurement range Small, low profile package

12-lead, 4 mm × 4 mm × 1.45 mm LFCSP
Low quiescent supply current: 350 μA typical
Single-supply operation: 1.8 V to 3.6 V
10,000 g shock survival
Excellent temperature stability
Bandwidth (BW) adjustment with a single capacitor per axis
ROHS/WEEE lead-free compliant
-40°C to +105°C operating temperature range
Qualified for automotive applications

#### **APPLICATIONS**

Cost sensitive, low power, motion and tilt sensing applications
Mobile devices
Gaming systems
Disk drive protection
Image stabilization
Active noise control (ANC)
Sports and health devices

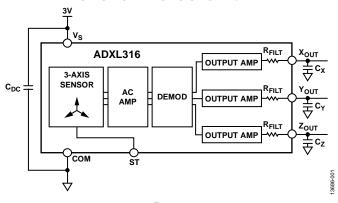
#### **GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

The ADXL316 is a small, thin, low power, complete 3-axis accelerometer with signal conditioned voltage outputs. The product measures acceleration with a minimum measurement range of  $\pm 16~g$ . It can measure the static acceleration of gravity in tilt sensing applications, as well as dynamic acceleration resulting from motion, shock, or vibration.

The user selects the bandwidth of the accelerometer using the  $C_X$ ,  $C_Y$ , and  $C_Z$  capacitors at the  $X_{OUT}$ ,  $Y_{OUT}$ , and  $Z_{OUT}$  pins. Bandwidths can be selected to suit the application, with a range of 0.5 Hz to 1600 Hz for the x and y axes, and a range of 0.5 Hz to 550 Hz for the z axis.

The ADXL316 is available in a small, low profile,  $4 \text{ mm} \times 4 \text{ mm} \times 1.45 \text{ mm}$ , 12-lead, plastic lead frame chip scale package (LFCSP).

#### **FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM**



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# **SPECIFICATIONS**

 $T_A = 25$ °C,  $V_S = 3$  V,  $C_X = C_Y = C_Z = 0.1$   $\mu$ F, acceleration = 0 g, unless otherwise noted. All minimum and maximum specifications are guaranteed. Typical specifications are not guaranteed.

Table 1.

Parameter	Test Conditions/Comments	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
SENSOR INPUT	Each axis				
Measurement Range <sup>1</sup>		±16	±19		g
Nonlinearity	% of measurement range		±0.2		%
Package Alignment Error			±1		Degrees
Interaxis Alignment Error			±0.1		Degrees
Cross Axis Sensitivity			±2		%
SENSITIVITY (RATIOMETRIC) <sup>2</sup>	Each axis				
Sensitivity at X <sub>OUT</sub> , Y <sub>OUT</sub> , and Z <sub>OUT</sub>	$V_S = 3 V$	50	57	64	mV/g
Sensitivity Change due to Temperature <sup>3</sup>	$V_S = 3 V$		±0.5		mV/g
ZERO g BIAS LEVEL (RATIOMETRIC)	Each axis				
0 g Voltage at Хоит, Yоит, and Zоит	V <sub>S</sub> = 3 V, 25°C	1.2	1.5	1.8	V
Initial 0 g Output Deviation from Ideal	V <sub>S</sub> = 3 V, 25°C		±100		mV
0 g Offset vs. Temperature			±1		m <i>g/</i> °C
NOISE PERFORMANCE					-
Output Noise	$<4 \text{ kHz}, V_S = 3 \text{ V}$		1		mV
Noise Density	·				
X <sub>OUT</sub> and Y <sub>OUT</sub>			210		μ <i>g</i> /√Hz rms
Zout			450		μ <i>g</i> /√Hz rms
FREQUENCY RESPONSE <sup>4</sup>					
X <sub>OUT</sub> and Y <sub>OUT</sub> Bandwidth <sup>5</sup>	No external filter		1600		Hz
Z <sub>OUT</sub> Bandwidth <sup>5</sup>	No external filter		550		Hz
R <sub>FILT</sub> Tolerance		27	32	37	kΩ
Sensor Resonant Frequency			4.2		kHz
SELF TEST (ST) <sup>6</sup>					
Logic Input Low				0.3	V
Logic Input High		2.7			V
ST Input Resistance to Ground		30	50		kΩ
Output Change	ST = 0 to ST = 1				
At X <sub>OUT</sub>		-65	-50	-35	mV
At Y <sub>OUT</sub>		35	50	65	mV
At Z <sub>OUT</sub>		70	90	110	mV
OUTPUT AMPLIFIER					
Output Swing					
Low	No load		0.1		V
High	No load		2.8		V
POWER SUPPLY					
Operating Voltage Range		1.8		3.6	V
Quiescent Supply Current			350		μΑ
Turn-On Time <sup>7</sup>			10		ms
OPERATING TEMPERATURE RANGE		-40		+105	°C

 $<sup>^1</sup>$  Guaranteed by measurement of initial offset and sensitivity.  $^2$  Sensitivity is essentially ratiometric to  $V_5$ . Calculate sensitivity by using a scale factor (mV/V/g). Sensitivity = Scale Factor  $\times$   $V_5$ . To calculate minimum and maximum sensitivity, the scale factors are 15 mV/V/g and 23 mV/V/g, respectively.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> This parameter is defined as the output change from ambient to maximum temperature or ambient to minimum temperature.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Actual frequency response controlled by user-supplied external filter capacitors (C<sub>x</sub>, C<sub>y</sub>, and C<sub>z</sub>).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Bandwidth =  $1/(2 \times \pi \times 32 \text{ k}\Omega \times \text{C})$ . For C<sub>x</sub>, C<sub>Y</sub> = 0.003  $\mu\text{F}$ , the bandwidth = 1.6 kHz. For C<sub>z</sub> = 0.01  $\mu\text{F}$ , the bandwidth = 500 Hz. For C<sub>x</sub>, C<sub>y</sub>, and C<sub>z</sub> = 10  $\mu\text{F}$ , the bandwidth = 0.5 Hz.

 $<sup>^{6}</sup>$  Self test response changes cubically with  $V_{s}$ .

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Larger values of  $C_X$ ,  $C_Y$ , and  $C_Z$  increase turn-on time. Turn-on time is approximately  $160 \times (C_X, C_Y, and C_Z) + 4$  ms, where  $C_X$ ,  $C_Y$ ,  $C_Z$  are in  $\mu$ F.

# **ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS**

## Table 2.

Parameter	Rating
Acceleration	
Shock Survival, Any Axis, and Unpowered	10,000 <i>g</i>
Shock Survival, Any Axis, and Powered	10,000 <i>g</i>
$V_S$	-0.3 V to +4.5 V
All Other Pins	(COM – 0.3 V) to
	$(V_S + 0.3 V)$
Output Short-Circuit Duration (Any Pin to COM)	Indefinite
Temperature Range (Powered)	–55°C to +125°C

Stresses at or above those listed under Absolute Maximum Ratings may cause permanent damage to the product. This is a stress rating only; functional operation of the product at these or any other conditions above those indicated in the operational section of this specification is not implied. Operation beyond the maximum operating conditions for extended periods may affect product reliability.

# **ESD CAUTION**



**ESD** (electrostatic discharge) sensitive device. Charged devices and circuit boards can discharge without detection. Although this product features patented or proprietary protection circuitry, damage may occur on devices subjected to high energy ESD. Therefore, proper ESD precautions should be taken to avoid performance degradation or loss of functionality.

# PIN CONFIGURATION AND FUNCTION DESCRIPTIONS

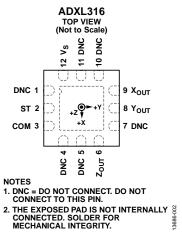


Figure 2. Pin Configuration

**Table 3. Pin Function Descriptions** 

Pin No.	Mnemonic	Description
1	DNC	Do Not Connect.
2	ST	Self Test.
3	COM	Ground.
4	DNC	Do Not Connect.
5	DNC	Do Not Connect.
6	Zout	Z Channel Output.
7	DNC	Do Not Connect.
8	Yout	Y Channel Output.
9	X <sub>OUT</sub>	X Channel Output.
10	DNC	Do Not Connect.
11	DNC	Do Not Connect.
12	Vs	Supply Voltage (1.8 V to 3.6 V).
	EP	Exposed Pad. The exposed pad is not internally connected. Solder for mechanical integrity.

# TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

N (number of devices tested) > 1000 for all typical performance plots, unless otherwise noted.

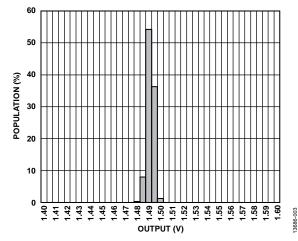


Figure 3. X-Axis Zero g Bias at 25°C,  $V_S = 3 V$ 

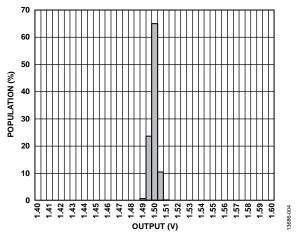


Figure 4. Y-Axis Zero g Bias at 25°C,  $V_S = 3 V$ 

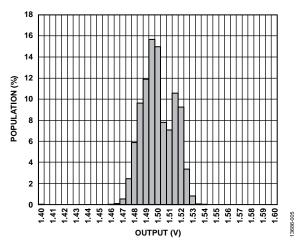


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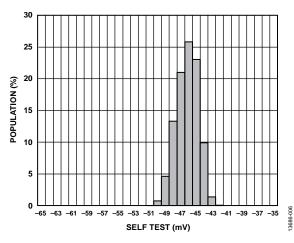


Figure 6. X-Axis Self Test Response at 25°C,  $V_S = 3 V$ 

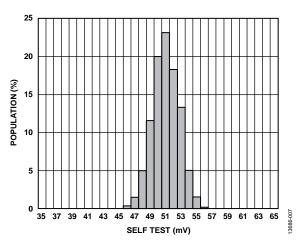


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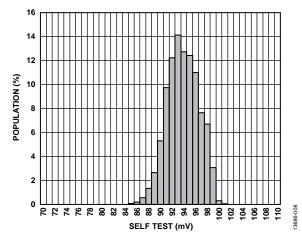


Figure 8. Z-Axis Self Test Response at 25°C,  $V_S = 3 V$ 

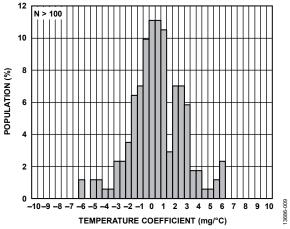


Figure 9. X-Axis Zero g Bias Temperature Coefficient,  $V_S = 3 V$ 

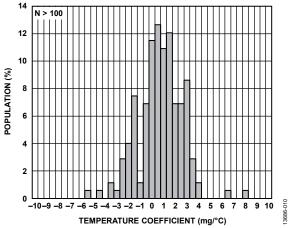


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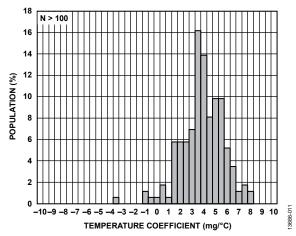


Figure 11. Z-Axis Zero g Bias Temperature Coefficient,  $V_S = 3 V$ 

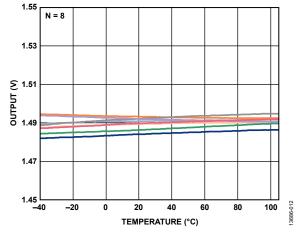


Figure 12. X-Axis Zero g Bias vs. Temperature

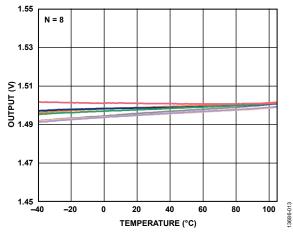


Figure 13. Y-Axis Zero g Bias vs. Temperature

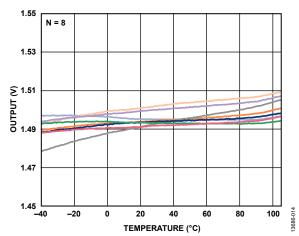


Figure 14. Z-Axis Zero g Bias vs. Temperature

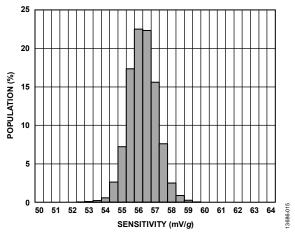


Figure 15. X-Axis Sensitivity at 25°C,  $V_S = 3 V$ 

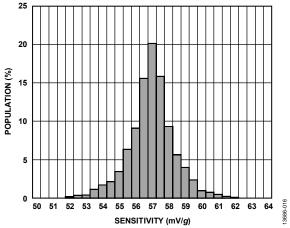


Figure 16. Y-Axis Sensitivity at 25°C,  $V_S = 3 V$ 

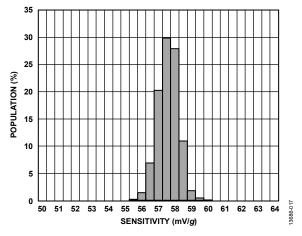


Figure 17. Z-Axis Sensitivity at 25°C,  $V_S = 3 V$ 

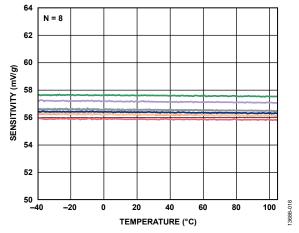


Figure 18. X-Axis Sensitivity vs. Temperature,  $V_S = 3 V$ 

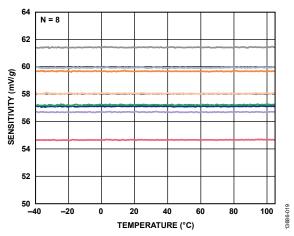


Figure 19. Y-Axis Sensitivity vs. Temperature,  $V_S = 3 V$ 

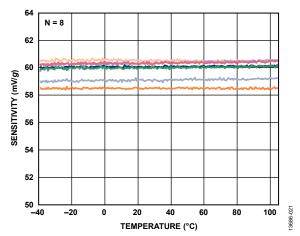
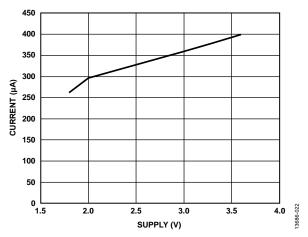


Figure 20. Z-Axis Sensitivity vs. Temperature,  $V_S = 3 V$ 



 ${\it Figure~21. Typical~Current~Consumption~vs.~Supply~Voltage}$ 

# THEORY OF OPERATION

The ADXL316 is a complete 3-axis acceleration measurement system. The ADXL316 has a measurement range of  $\pm 16~g$  minimum. It contains a polysilicon surface micromachined sensor and signal conditioning circuitry to implement an openloop acceleration measurement architecture. The output signals are analog voltages that are proportional to acceleration. The accelerometer can measure the static acceleration of gravity in tilt sensing applications as well as dynamic acceleration resulting from motion, shock, or vibration.

The sensor is a polysilicon surface micromachined structure built on top of a silicon wafer. Polysilicon springs suspend the structure over the surface of the wafer and provide a resistance against acceleration forces. Deflection of the structure is measured using a differential capacitor that consists of independent fixed plates and plates attached to the moving mass. The fixed plates are driven by 180° out-of-phase square waves. Acceleration deflects the moving mass and unbalances the differential capacitor, resulting in a sensor output with an amplitude proportional to acceleration. Phase-sensitive demodulation techniques determine the magnitude and direction of the acceleration.

A 32 k $\Omega$  resistor can amplify and bring the demodulator output off-chip. The user then sets the signal bandwidth of the device by adding a capacitor. This filtering improves measurement resolution and helps prevent aliasing.

## **MECHANICAL SENSOR**

The ADXL316 uses a single structure for sensing the X-, Y-, and Z-axes. As a result, the three axes sense directions are highly orthogonal with minimal cross axis sensitivity. Mechanical misalignment of the sensor die to the package is the chief source of cross axis sensitivity. Mechanical misalignment can be calibrated out at the system level.

#### **PERFORMANCE**

Rather than using additional temperature compensation circuitry, innovative design techniques ensure high performance is built in to the ADXL316. As a result, there is neither quantization error nor nonmonotonic behavior, and temperature hysteresis is very low.

# APPLICATIONS INFORMATION POWER SUPPLY DECOUPLING

For most applications, a single 0.1  $\mu$ F capacitor,  $C_{DC}$ , placed close to the ADXL316 supply pins adequately decouples the accelerometer from noise on the power supply. However, in applications where noise is present at the 50 kHz internal clock frequency (or any harmonic thereof), additional care in power supply bypassing is required because this noise can cause errors in acceleration measurement. If additional decoupling is needed, a 100  $\Omega$  (or smaller) resistor or a ferrite bead can be inserted in the supply line. Additionally, a larger bulk bypass capacitor (1  $\mu$ F or greater) can be added in parallel to  $C_{DC}$ . Ensure that the connection from the ADXL316 ground to the power supply ground is low impedance, because noise transmitted through ground has a similar effect as noise transmitted through Vs.

# SETTING THE BANDWIDTH USING Cx, Cy, AND Cz

The ADXL316 has provisions for band-limiting the  $X_{\rm OUT}$ ,  $Y_{\rm OUT}$ , and  $Z_{\rm OUT}$  pins. Capacitors must be added at these pins to implement low-pass filtering for antialiasing and noise reduction. The equation for the -3 dB bandwidth is

$$f_{-3 \text{ dB}} = 1/(2\pi(32 \text{ k}\Omega) \times C_{(X, Y, Z)})$$

or more simply

$$f_{-3 \text{ dB}} = 5 \mu F/C_{(X, Y, Z)}$$

The tolerance of the internal resistor ( $R_{FILT}$ ) can vary by as much as  $\pm 15\%$  of its nominal value (32 k $\Omega$ ), and the bandwidth varies accordingly. A minimum capacitance of 0.0047  $\mu F$  for  $C_X$ ,  $C_Y$ , and  $C_Z$  is recommended in all cases.

Table 4. Filter Capacitor Selection, Cx, Cy, and Cz

Bandwidth (Hz)	Capacitor (μF)
1	4.7
10	0.47
50	0.10
100	0.05
200	0.027
500	0.01

## **SELF TEST**

The ST pin controls the self test feature. When this pin is connected to  $V_s$ , an electrostatic force is exerted on the accelerometer beam. The resulting movement of the beam allows the user to test if the accelerometer is functional. The typical change in output is  $-0.88\ g$  (corresponding to  $-50\ mV$ ) on the x-axis,  $0.88\ g$  (or  $+50\ mV$ ) on the y-axis, and  $1.58\ g$  (or  $+90\ mV$ ) on the z-axis. The ST pin may be left open circuit or connected to the common pin (COM) in normal use.

Never expose the ST pin to voltages greater than  $V_S + 0.3$  V. If this cannot be guaranteed due to the system design (for instance, if there are multiple supply voltages), a low  $V_F$  clamping diode between ST and  $V_S$  is recommended.

# DESIGN TRADE-OFFS FOR SELECTING FILTER CHARACTERISTICS: THE NOISE/BW TRADE-OFF

The selected accelerometer bandwidth ultimately determines the measurement resolution (the smallest detectable acceleration). Filtering can lower the noise floor to improve the resolution of the accelerometer. Resolution is dependent on the analog filter bandwidth at  $X_{\text{OUT}}$ ,  $Y_{\text{OUT}}$ , and  $Z_{\text{OUT}}$ .

The output of the ADXL316 has a typical bandwidth of greater than 500 Hz. The user must filter the signal at this point to limit aliasing errors. The analog bandwidth must be no more than half the analog-to-digital sampling frequency to minimize aliasing. The analog bandwidth can decrease further to reduce noise and improve resolution.

The ADXL316 has white Gaussian noise, which contributes equally at all frequencies and is described in terms of  $\mu g/\sqrt{Hz}$  (the noise is proportional to the square root of the accelerometer bandwidth). Limit bandwidth to the lowest frequency needed by the application to maximize the resolution and dynamic range of the accelerometer.

With the single-pole roll-off characteristic, the typical rms noise of the ADXL316 is determined by

RMS Noise = Noise Density 
$$\times (\sqrt{BW \times 1.6})$$

Often, the peak value of the noise is desired. Statistical methods can only estimate peak-to-peak noise. Table 5 is useful for estimating the probabilities of exceeding various peak values, given the rms value.

Table 5. Estimation of Peak-to-Peak Noise

Peak-to-Peak Value	% of Time that Noise Exceeds Nominal Peak-to-Peak Value
2 × rms	32
$4 \times rms$	4.6
$6 \times rms$	0.27
$8 \times rms$	0.006

#### **USE WITH OPERATING VOLTAGES OTHER THAN 3 V**

The ADXL316 is tested and specified at  $V_s = 3$  V; however, it can be powered with  $V_s$  as low as 1.8 V or as high as 3.6 V. Note that some performance parameters change as the supply voltage is varied.

The ADXL316 outputs are ratiometric, so the output sensitivity (or scale factor) is proportional to the supply voltage. At  $V_s = 3.6 \text{ V}$ , the output sensitivity is typically 78 mV/g. At  $V_s = 2 \text{ V}$ , the output sensitivity is typically 42 mV/g.

The zero g bias output is also ratiometric, so the zero g output is nominally equal to  $V_s/2$  at all supply voltages.

The output noise is not ratiometric but is absolute in volts; therefore, the noise density decreases as the supply voltage increases. This decrease is because the scale factor (mV/g) increases while the noise voltage remains constant. At  $V_s = 3.6$  V, the x-axis and y-axis noise density is typically 150  $\mu$ g/ $\sqrt{Hz}$ , while at  $V_s = 2$  V, the x-axis and y-axis noise density is typically 280  $\mu$ g/ $\sqrt{Hz}$ .

Self test response in g is roughly proportional to the square of the supply voltage. However, when ratiometricity of sensitivity is factored in with supply voltage, the self test response in volts is roughly proportional to the cube of the supply voltage. For example, at  $V_S = 3.6$  V, the self test response for the ADXL316 is approximately -86 mV for the x-axis, +86 mV for the y-axis, and +162 mV for the z-axis. At  $V_S = 2$  V, the self test response is approximately -14 mV for the x-axis, +14 mV for the y-axis, and +28 mV for the z-axis.

The supply current decreases as the supply voltage decreases. Typical current consumption at  $V_s$  = 3.6 V is 400  $\mu$ A, and typical current consumption at  $V_s$  = 2 V is 300  $\mu$ A.

#### **AXES OF ACCELERATION SENSITIVITY**

Figure 22 shows the axes of acceleration ( $A_X$ ,  $A_Y$ , and  $A_Z$ ) sensitivity, corresponding output voltage increases when accelerated along the sensitive axis.

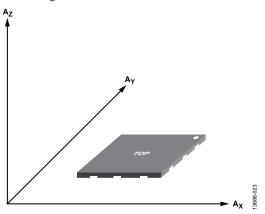


Figure 22. Axes of Acceleration ( $A_X$ ,  $A_Y$ , and  $A_Z$ ) Sensitivity

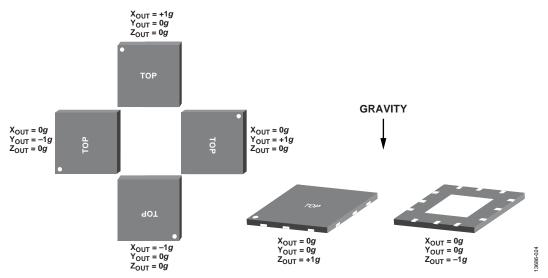


Figure 23. Output Response vs. Orientation to Gravity

# LAYOUT AND DESIGN RECOMMENDATIONS

The recommended soldering profile is shown in Figure 24, followed by a description of the recommended soldering profile features in Table 6.

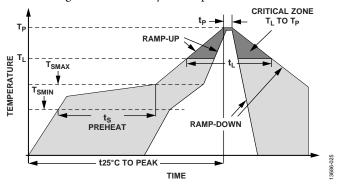


Figure 24. Recommended Soldering Profile

**Table 6. Recommended Soldering Profile** 

Profile Feature	Sn63/Pb37	Pb-Free	
Average Ramp Rate (T <sub>L</sub> to T <sub>P</sub> )	3°C/sec maximum	3°C/sec maximum	
Preheat			
Minimum Temperature (T <sub>SMIN</sub> )	100°C 150°C		
Maximum Temperature (T <sub>SMAX</sub> )	150°C	200°C	
Time (T <sub>SMIN</sub> to T <sub>SMAX</sub> ), ts	60 sec to 120 sec	60 sec to 180 sec	
$T_{SMAX}$ to $T_{L}$			
Ramp-Up Rate	3°C/sec maximum	3°C/sec maximum	
Time Maintained Above Liquidous (T <sub>L</sub> )			
Liquidous Temperature (T <sub>L</sub> )	183°C	217°C	
Time (t <sub>L</sub> )	60 sec to 150 sec	60 sec to 150 sec	
Peak Temperature (T <sub>P</sub> )	240°C + 0°C/-5°C	260°C + 0°C/-5°C	
Time within 5°C of Actual Peak Temperature (t <sub>P</sub> )	10 sec to 30 sec	20 sec to 40 sec	
Ramp-Down Rate	6°C/sec maximum	6°C/sec maximum	
Time 25°C (t <sub>25°C</sub> ) to Peak Temperature	6 minutes maximum	8 minutes maximum	