

LM2596S-ADJEVM User's Guide

1 Introduction

The Texas Instruments LM2596S-ADJEVM evaluation module (EVM) helps designers evaluate the operation and performance of the LM2596 wide-input voltage Simple Switcher® buck regulator. The LM2596 is a simple to use DC-DC converter and it requires a minimum number of external components. Other features include fault protection and a fixed-frequency oscillator. The LM2596S-ADJEVM is configured for an output voltage of 5.0 V and a switching frequency of 150 kHz. Refer to the LM2596 datasheet for additional features, detailed description and available options.

The EVM contains one DC-DC converter (See [Table 1](#)).

Table 1. Device and Package Configurations

CONVERTER	IC	PACKAGE
U1	LM2596	TO-263 (5)

2 Setup

This section describes the test points and connectors on the EVM and how to properly connect, set up and use the LM2596S-ADJEVM. Please refer to [Figure 1](#) for a top view of the EVM and relative placement of the different test points and edge connector.

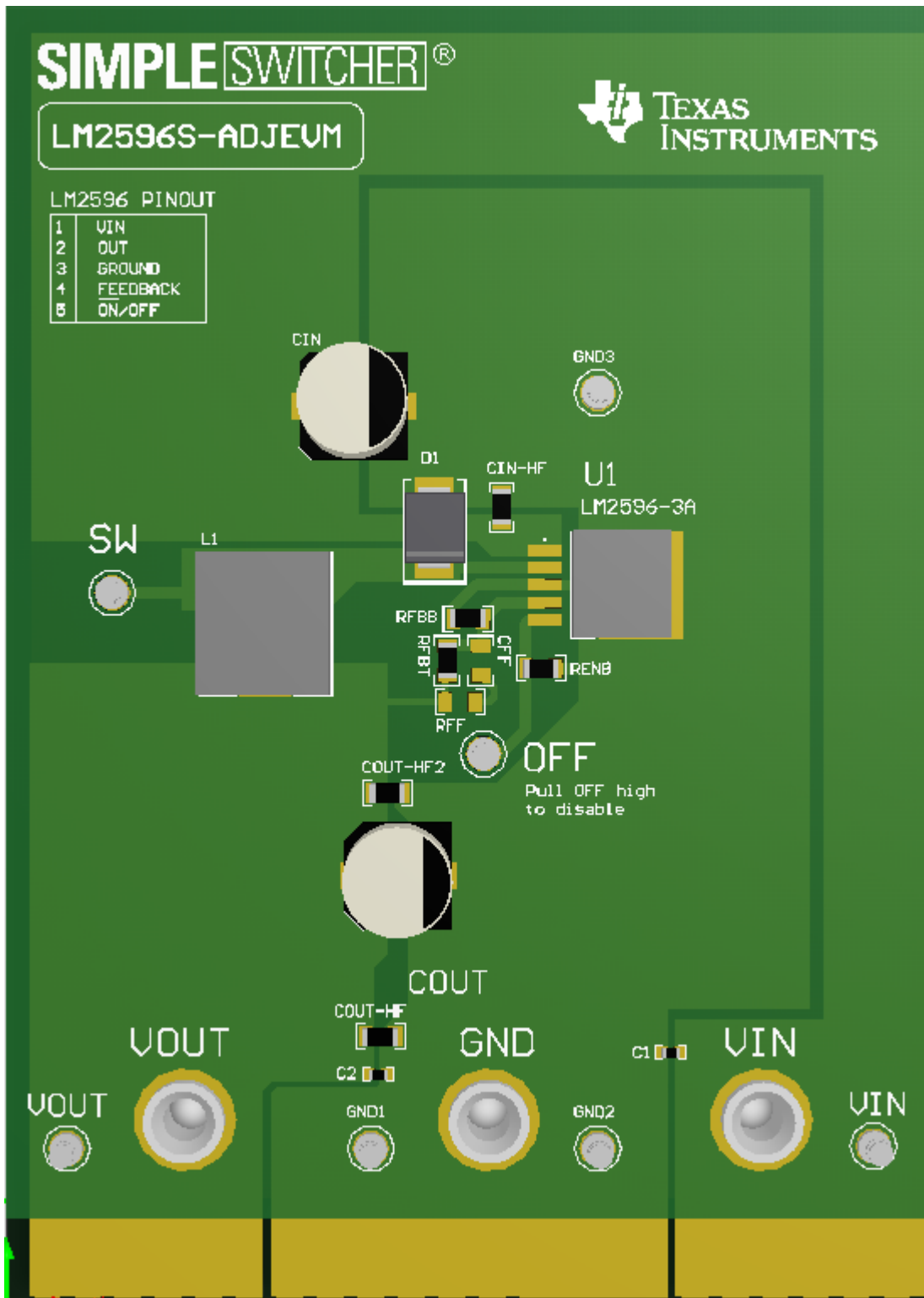


Figure 1. Top View of LM2596EVM

3 Input/Output (I/O) Connector Description

VIN – Terminal on JIN—is the power input terminal for the converter. The terminal edge connector also provides a power (VIN) and ground (GND) connection to allow the user to attach the EVM to a cable harness.

VOUT – Terminal on JOUT—is the regulated output voltage for the converter. The terminal edge connector also provides a power (VOUT) and ground (GND) connection to allow the user to attach the EVM to a cable harness.

GND – Terminal on JIN and JOUT—are the ground reference for the converter. The terminal edge connector also provides a GND connection for attaching the EVM to a cable harness.

OFF – Testpoint—is used to disable the converter by supplying a voltage greater than 1.3 V (typ).

SW – Testpoint—is used to monitor the voltage on the switch pin and the switching frequency of the voltage regulator. Remove this test point before making any electromagnetic interference (EMI) measurements.

4 Setup

Set the input voltage (VIN) range for the converter between the operating voltage range of 7 V to 40 V. If a load is driven, it should be applied to the VOUT terminal and should not exceed the maximum load current of 3 A.

5 Operation

For proper operation of the LM2596, VIN, GND, and VOUT should be properly configured as stated above. In this configuration, the device will start up when power is applied and the output voltage of the regulator (VOUT) will come up to the proper value. The default setting for output voltage of the LM2596S-ADJEVM is 5.0V. Other output voltages can be set by replacing the feedback pin resistor dividers RFBT and RFBB; please consult the datasheet for proper selection of these resistor values.

The default frequency for the LM2596S-ADJEVM is 150kHz.

6 Schematic

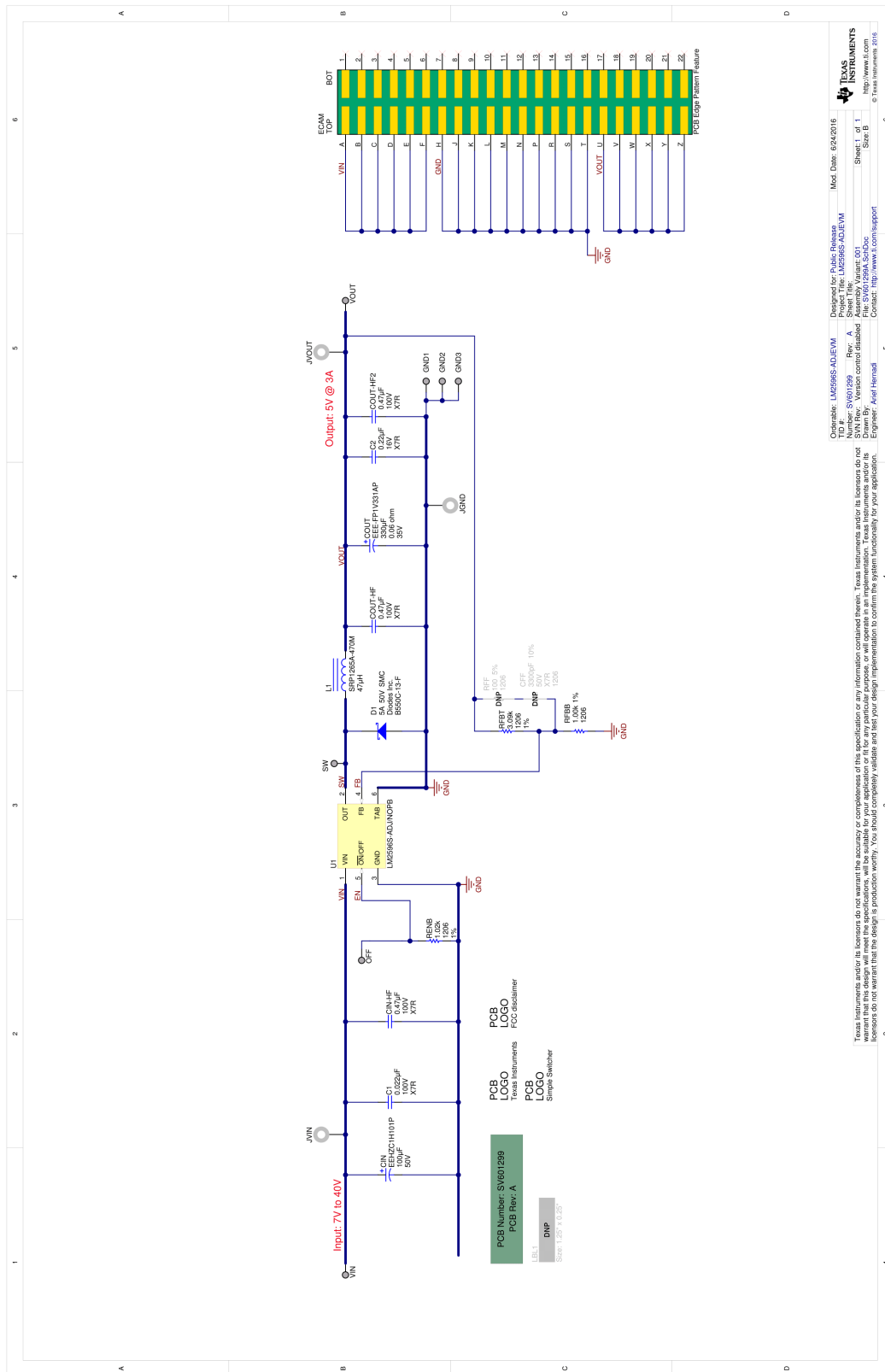


Figure 2. LM2596EVM Schematic

7 Board Layout

Figure 3 through Figure 5 show the board layout for the LM2596EVM. The EVM offers resistors, capacitors and test points to configure the output voltage, precision enable pin, set frequency and external clock synchronization.

The TO-263 package offers an exposed thermal pad which must be soldered to the copper landing on the PCB for optimal thermal performance. The PCB consists of a 2-layer design. The EVM use a 2-oz copper on the top and bottom layer and an array of thermal vias under the thermal pad to connect to both layers.

Test points have been provided for ease of use to connect the power supply, required load and to monitor critical signals.

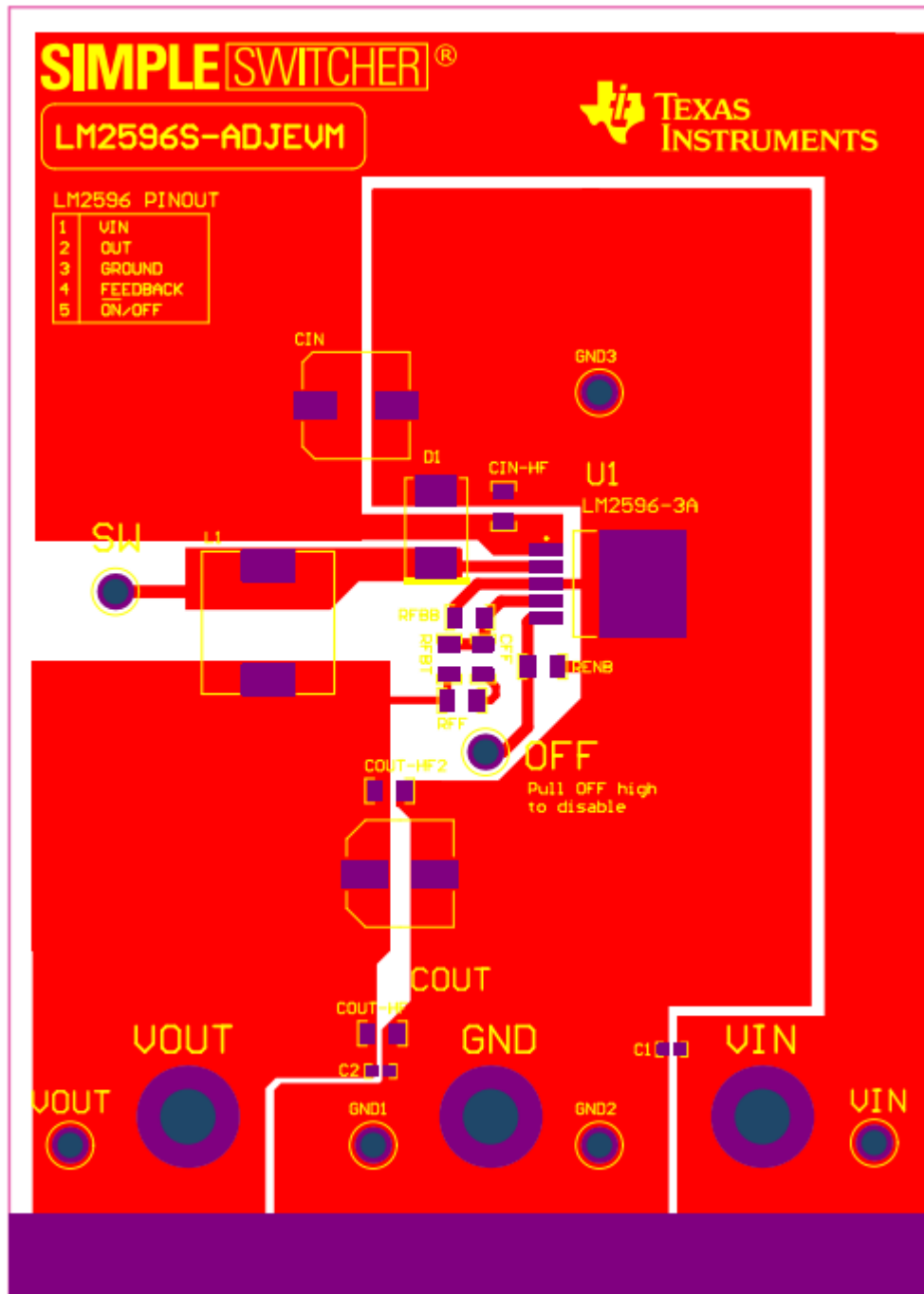


Figure 3. Top Assembly Layer

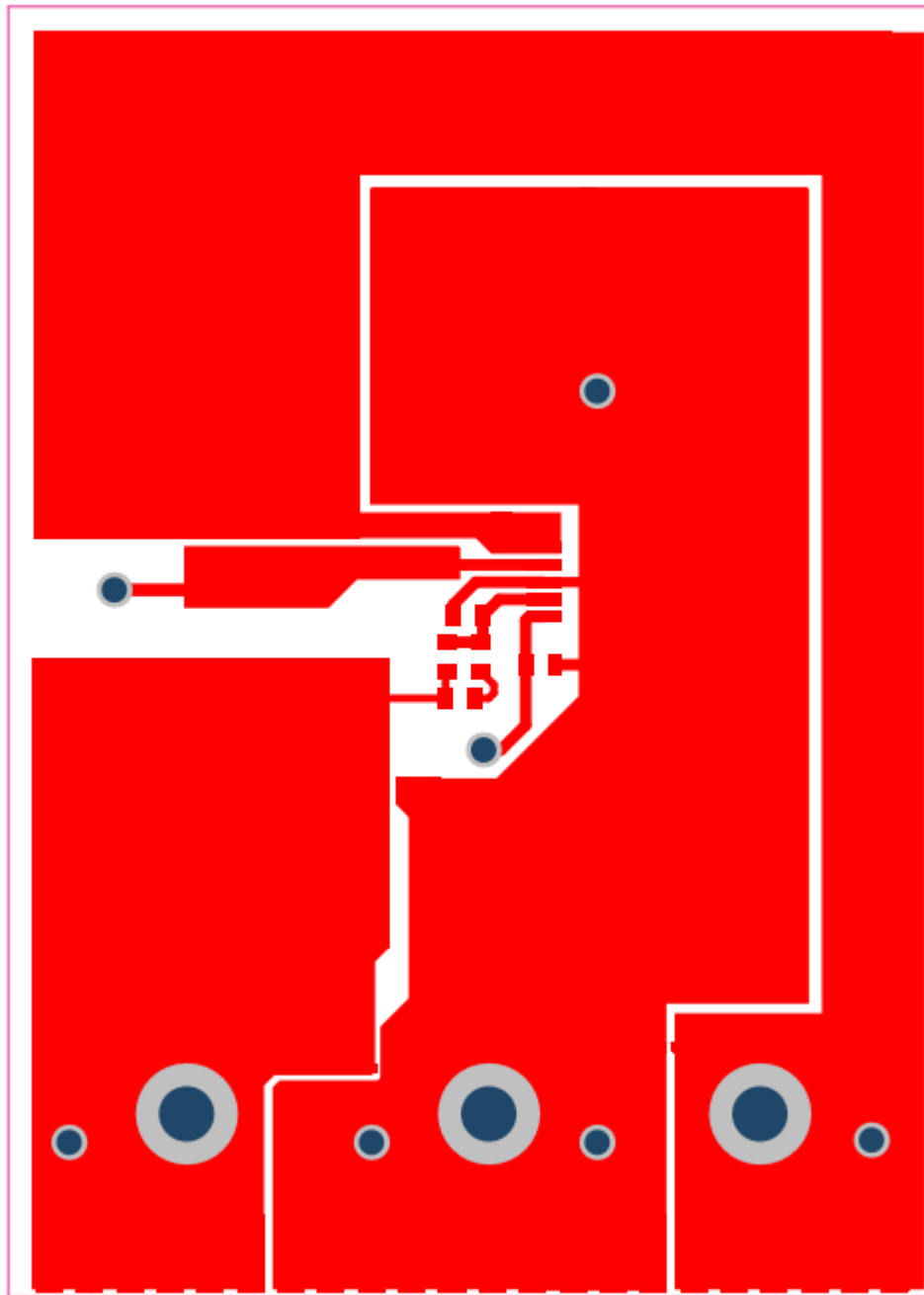


Figure 4. Top Layer Routing

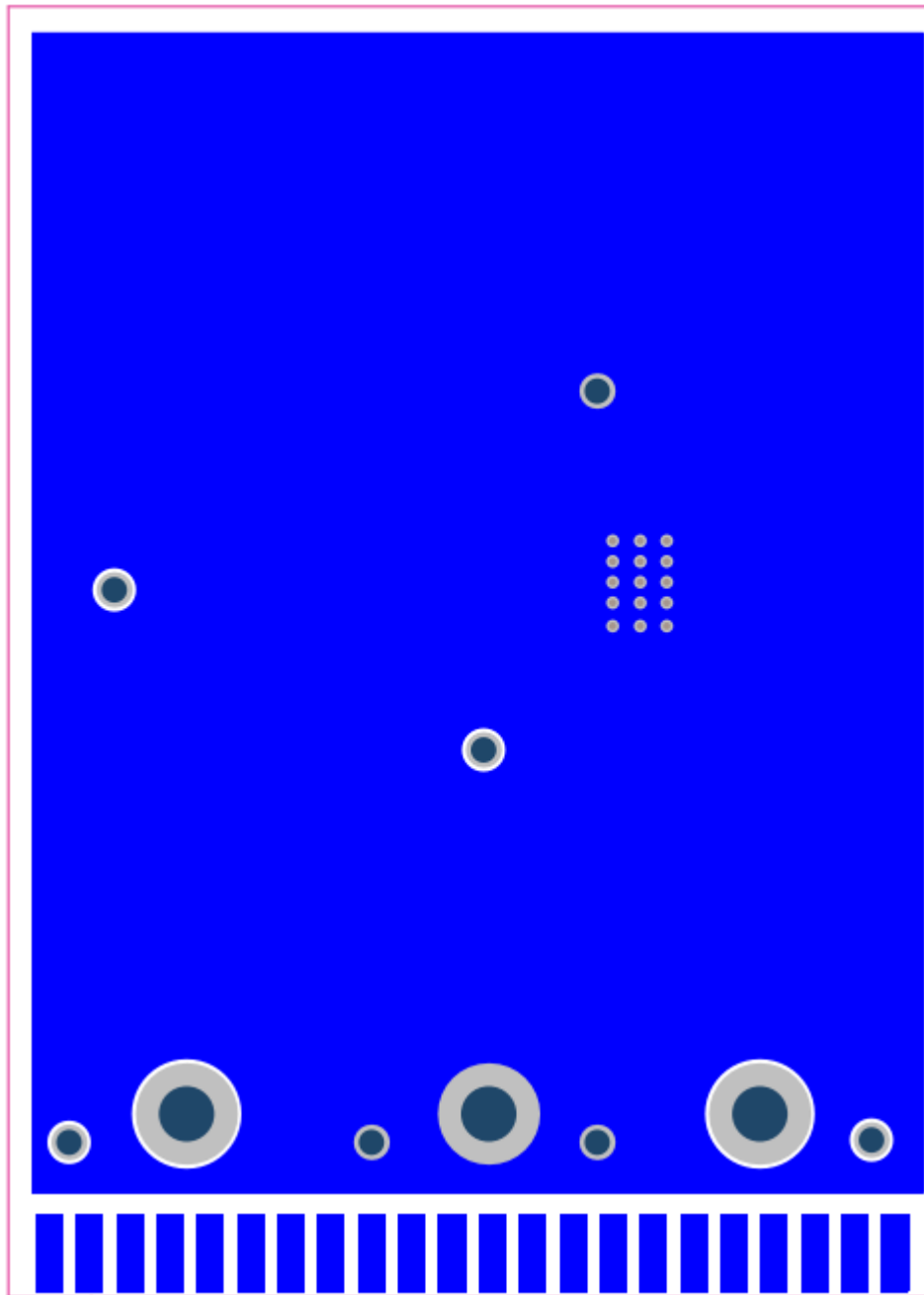


Figure 5. Bottom Layer Routing

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Designator	Description	Manufacturer	PartNumber	Quantity
!PCB	Printed Circuit Board	Any	SV601299	1
C1	CAP, CERM, 0.022 μ F, 100 V, +/- 10%, X7R, 0603	TDK	C1608X7R2A223K080AA	1
C2	CAP, CERM, 0.22 μ F, 16 V, +/- 10%, X7R, 0603	TDK	C1608X7R1C224K080AC	1
CIN	CAP, Polymer Hybrid, 100 μ F, 50 V, +/- 20%, 28 ohm, 10x10 SMD	Panasonic	EEHZC1H101P	1
CIN-HF, COUT-HF, COUT-HF2	CAP, CERM, 0.47 μ F, 100 V, +/- 10%, X7R, 1206	TDK	C3216X7R2A474K160AA	3
COUT	CAP, AL, 330 μ F, 35 V, +/- 20%, 0.06 ohm, SMD	Panasonic	EEE-FP1V331AP	1
D1	Diode, Schottky, 50 V, 5 A, SMC	Diodes Inc.	B550C-13-F	1
GND1, GND2, GND3, OFF, SW, VIN, VOUT	Terminal, Turret, TH, Double	Keystone	1502-2	7
JGND, JVIN, JVOUT	Standard Banana Jack, Uninsulated, 8.9mm	Keystone	575-8	3
L1	Inductor, Shielded, 47 μ H, 6.5 A, 0.076 ohm, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, SMD	Bourns	SRP1265A-470M	1
RENB	RES, 1.02 k, 1%, 0.25 W, 1206	Vishay-Dale	CRCW12061K02FKEA	1
RFBB	RES, 1.00 k, 1%, 0.25 W, 1206	Panasonic	ERJ-8ENF1001V	1
RFBT	RES, 3.09 k, 1%, 0.25 W, 1206	Vishay-Dale	CRCW12063K09FKEA	1
U1	SIMPLE SWITCHER® Power Converter 150 KHz 3A Step-Down Voltage Regulator, 5-pin TO-263, Pb-Free	Texas Instruments	LM2596S-ADJ/NOPB	1
CFF	CAP, CERM, 3300 pF, 50 V, +/- 10%, X7R, 1206	AVX	12065C332KAT2A	0
LBL1	Thermal Transfer Printable Labels, 1.250" W x 0.250" H - 10,000 per roll	Brady	THT-13-457-10	0
RFF	RES, 100, 5%, 0.25 W, 1206	Vishay-Dale	CRCW1206100RJNEA	0

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