

BLDCKS[®] ECIO base board



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for all E-blocks, which can be found in the Support section of the website.

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- How to get started with E-blocks if you are new to E-blocks and wish to learn how to use them from the beginning there are resources available to help.
- Relevant software and hardware that allow you to use your E-blocks product better.
- Example files and programs.
- Ways to get technical support for your product, either via the forums or by contacting us directly.

Board layout



- 2. Bridge rectifier
- 3. Output power supply for E-blocks and external hardware
- 4. 5V voltage regulator
- 5. E-block connector for Port A
- 6. E-block connector for Port B
- 7. E-block connector for Port C
- 8. E-block connector for Port D
- 9. E-block connector for Port E
- 10. ECIO connector socket (ECIO not included)
- 11. ICSP connector
- 12. ECIO ARM bootloader recovery jumper



General information

A simple platform for the ECIO to allow connections to standard E-block boards. The board also provides an input for an external power supply as well as a header for in circuit serial programming (ICSP).

- External power supply input
- Voltage regulator
- PICkit ICSP interface
- ECIO ARM firmware recovery (TST) jumper

- 1. Features
- E-blocks compatible ports

2. Block schematic Not supplied.

Circuit description

1. Description

The circuit board consists of a means of connecting E-blocks to an ECIO module. The circuit board also allows for a regulated external power supply to be connected as a means of powering the ECIO. The bridge rectifier allows for either polarity to be input from the external power supply. There is also a PICkit compatible ICSP header which allows for the ECIO to be fully reprogrammed.

Warning: If the ICSP connector is used to program the ECIO then the bootloader onboard the ECIO may be corrupted or overwritten. If this occurs then Matrix Multimedia holds no responsibility for the loss of bootloader and will not release or make available the bootloader code.

ECIO ARM warning: When using the ECIO ARM device with the EB061 E-block the TST jumper J12 should be retained in the default position. Moving the TST jumper to the non default position will delete the USB bootloader loaded into the device and cause the ARM device to reset to factory settings. This can be used to reload the matrix USB bootloader if it becomes damaged or corrupted. See the bootloader reflashing instructions available from the Flowcode ARM installation or the ECIO ARM documentation.

Any ECIO PIC devices that have lost their bootloader can be returned to Matrix Multimedia to be restored but a charge will be incurred.

Contact sales@matrixmultimedia.co.uk for details.

2. 3.3V operation

This board is only compatible with upstream boards operating off 3.3V when the ECIO ARM device is plugged into the E-block. ECIO PIC devices always run at 5V to allow the chip to run fast enough for the USB to work correctly.

Circuit diagram





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