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Serial Peripheral Interface (SPI)

This reference guide provides the specifications for a 16-bit configurable synchronous serial peripheral interface (SPI). The SPI is in effect a programmable-length shift register used for high speed communication between external peripherals or other microcontrollers.

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1 Overview

The SPI is a high-speed synchronous serial input/output port that allows a serial bit stream of programmed length (3 to 16 bits) to be shifted into and out of the device at a programmed bit-transfer rate. The SPI is normally used for communication between the microcontroller and external peripherals or another microcontroller. Typical applications include interface to external I/O or peripheral expansion via devices such as shift registers, display drivers, and analog-to-digital converters.

The SPI is available with three, four or five pins. The pins **SPICLK**, **SPISIMO** and **SPISOMI** are used in all SPI pin modes. The pins **SPIENA** and **SPISCS** are optional and may be used if the pin are present on a given device.

The SPI has the following attributes:

- 16-bit shift register
- Receive buffer register
- 8-bit baud clock generator
- Serial clock (**SPICLK**) I/O pin
- Slave in, master out (**SPISIMO**) I/O pin
- Slave out, master in (**SPISOMI**) I/O pin
- SPI enable (**SPIENA**) I/O pin (4-or 5-pin mode only)
- Slave chip select (**SPISCS**) I/O pin (4- or 5-pin mode only)

The SPI allows software to program the following options:

- SPISOMI/SPISIMO** pin direction configuration
- SPICLK** pin source (external/internal)
- SPICLK** frequency (interface clock [**ICLK**] /2 through /256)
- SPI pins as functional or digital I/O pins
- Character length (3 to 16 bits)
- Phase (delay/no delay)
- Polarity (high or low).

Note: Maximum Input Frequency

The maximum input frequency on the SPICLK pin when in slave mode is the ICLK frequency /2.
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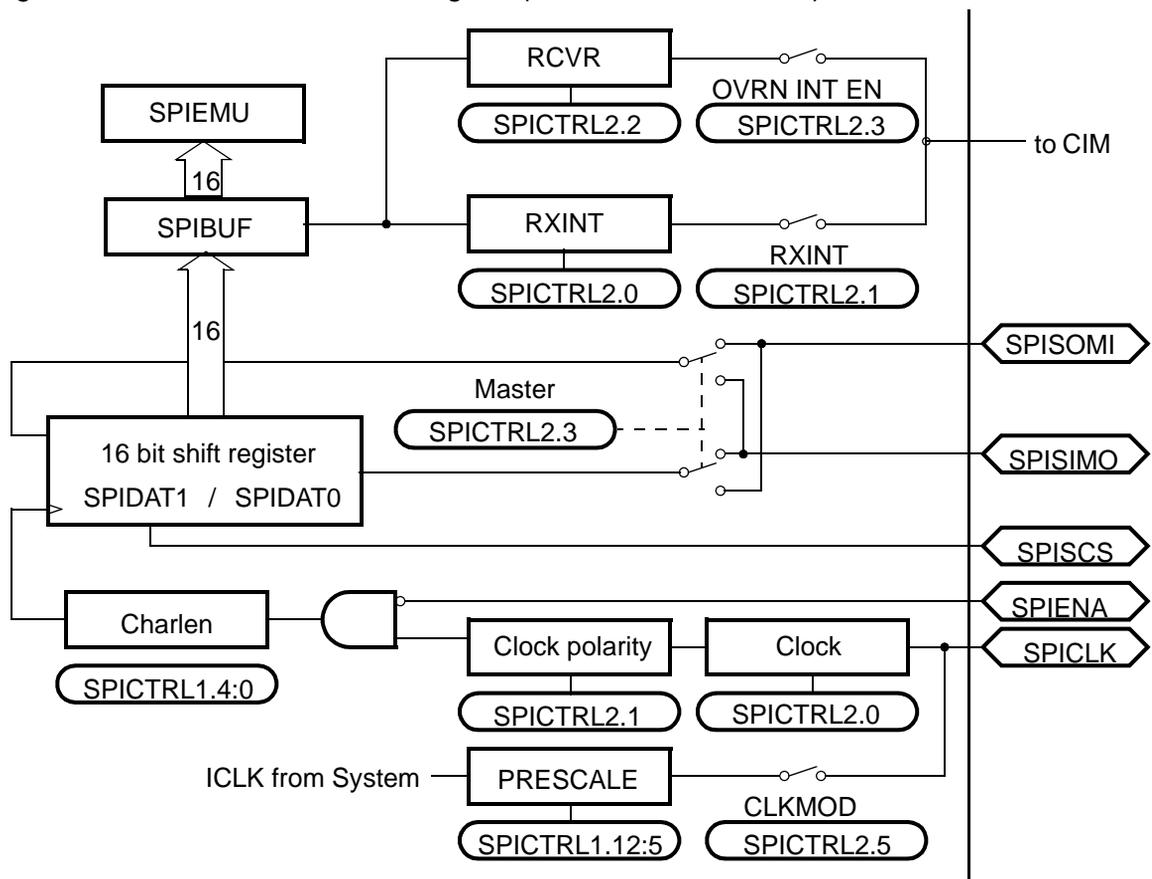
2 SPI Operation Modes

The SPI operates in a master or slave mode. The MASTER bit (SPICTRL2.3) selects the configuration of the SPISIMO and SPISOMI pins and the CLKMOD bit (SPICTRL2.5) determines whether an internal or external clock source will be used.

The slave chip select ($\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$) pin is used when communicating with multiple slave devices. When the master (SPI sending out the clock stream) writes to SPIDAT1, the $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ pin is automatically driven low to select the slave connected to that signal. Writing to SPIDAT0 will not drive $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ low, thus allowing the master to communicate with all slave devices connected to the same SPI bus.

In addition, a handshaking mechanism, provided by the $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin, enables the slave to delay the generation of the clock signal supplied by the master as long as it is not prepared for the next exchange of data.

Figure 1. SPI Module Block Diagram (Five Pin Mode Shown)



2.1 SPI Internal Registers

A general representation of the SPI internal registers is shown in [Table 1](#). The page column provides a cross reference to additional information on the individual registers. For more information regarding individual bytes, see [Table , on page 20](#).

Table 1. SPI Internal Registers

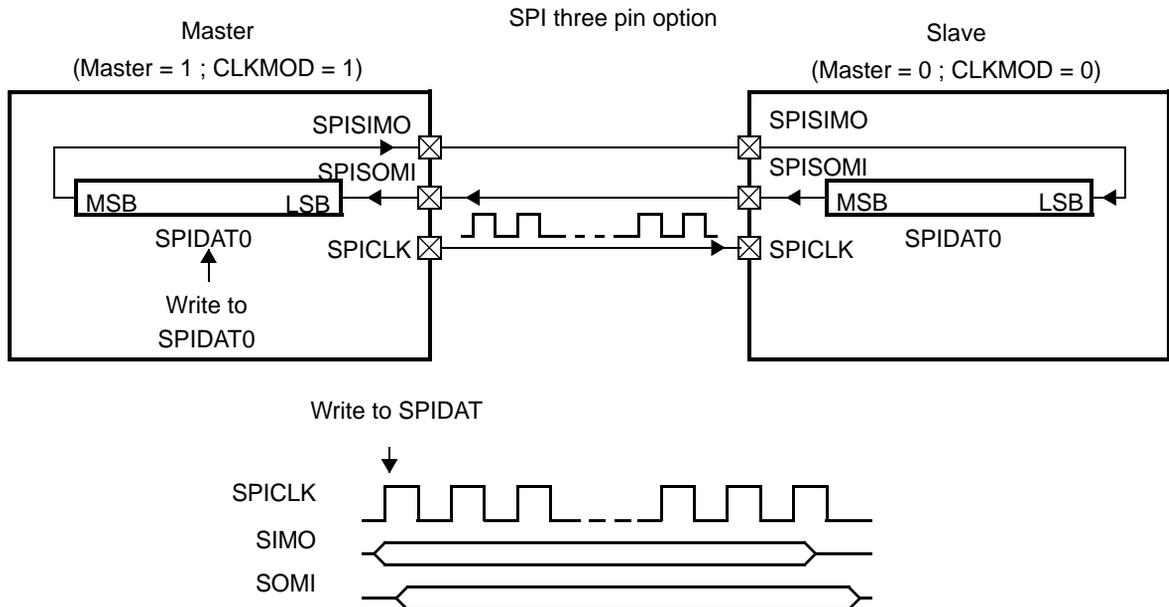
Offset Address [†]	Mnemonic	Name	Description	Page
0x00	SPICTRL1	SPI Control Register 1	Sets transfer rate and character length	24
0x04	SPICTRL2	SPI Control Register 2	Controls SPI clock	26
0x08	SPICTRL3	SPI Control Register 3	Controls system interface	28
0x0C	SPIDAT0	SPI Shift Register 0	Main shift register	30
0x10	SPIDAT1	SPI Shift Register 1	Shift register used in automatic slave chip select mode only	31
0x14	SPIBUF	SPI Buffer Register	Holds received word	32
0x18	SPIEMU	SPI Emulation Register	Mirror of SPIBUF. Read does not clear flags	34
0x1C	SPIPC1	SPI Pin Control Register 1	Controls the direction of data on the I/O pins	35
0x20	SPIPC2	SPI Pin Control Register 2	Reflects the values on the I/O pins	37
0x24	SPIPC3	SPI Pin Control Register 3	Controls the values sent to the I/O pins	39
0x28	SPIPC4	SPI Pin Control Register 4	Sets data values in the SPIPC3 register	41
0x2C	SPIPC5	SPI Pin Control Register 5	Clears values in the SPIPC3 register	43
0x30	SPIPC6	SPI Pin Control Register 6	Determines if pins will operate as general I/O or SPI functional pin.	45

[†] The actual address of these registers is device specific and CPU specific. See the specific device data sheet to verify the SPI register addresses.

2.2 SPI Operation; Three-Pin Option

In master mode configuration (MASTER = 1 (SPICTRL2.3) and CLKMOD = 1 (SPICTRL2.5)), the SPI provides the serial clock on the SPICLK pin for the entire serial communications network. Data is output on the SPISIMO pin and latched in from the SPISOMI pin (see [Figure 2](#)).

Figure 2. SPI Three Pin Option



Data written to the shift register (SPIDAT0) initiates data transmission on the SPISIMO pin, most significant bit (MSB) first. Simultaneously, received data is shifted through the SPISOMI pin into the least significant bit (LSB) of the SPIDAT0 register. When the selected number of bits has been transmitted, the data is transferred to the SPIBUF register for the CPU to read. Data is stored right-justified in SPIBUF.

When the specified number of bits has been shifted through the SPIDAT0 register, the following events occur:

- The RXINTFLAG bit (SPICTRL3.0) is set to 1
- The SPIDAT0 register contents transfer to the SPIBUF register
- An interrupt is asserted if the RXINTEN bit (SPICTRL3.1) is set to 1

In slave mode configuration (MASTER = 0 and CLKMOD = 0), data shifts out on the SPISOMI pin and in on the SPISIMO pin. The SPICLK pin is used as

the input for the serial shift clock, which is supplied from the external network master. The transfer rate is defined by this clock.

Data written to the SPIDAT0 register is transmitted to the network when the SPICLK signal is received from the network master. To receive data, the SPI waits for the network master to send the SPICLK signal and then shifts data on the SPISIMO pin into the SPIDAT0 register. If data is to be transmitted by the slave simultaneously, it must be written to the SPIDAT0 register before the beginning of the SPICLK signal.

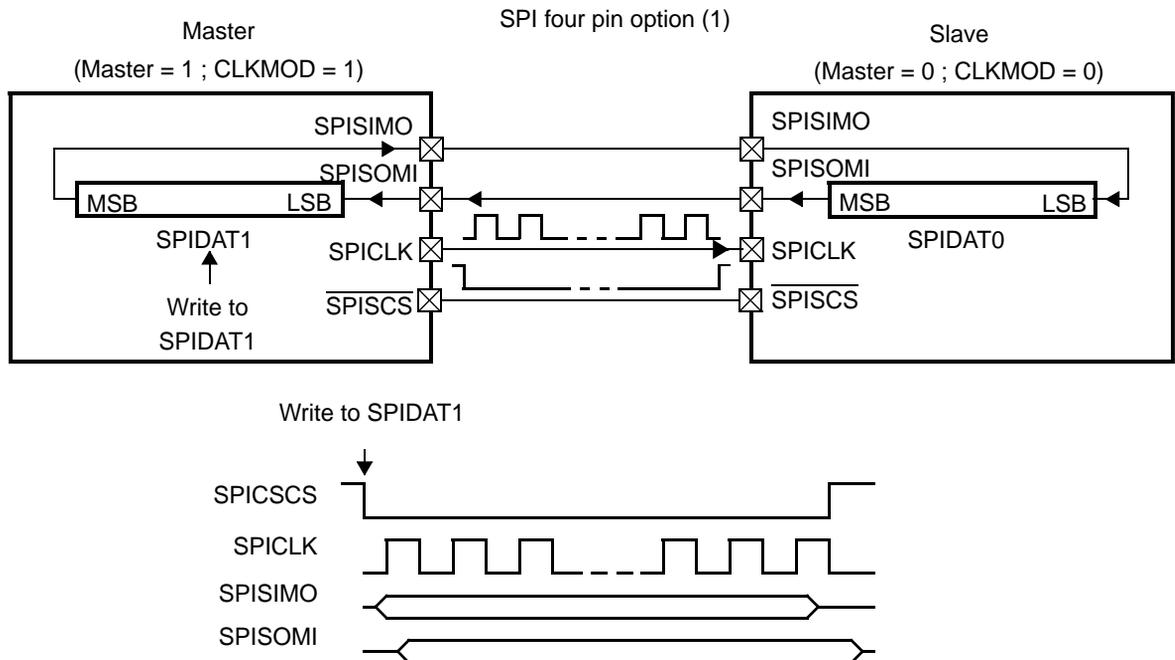
2.3 SPI Operation; Four-Pin Option

The three-pin option and the four-pin options of the SPI are identical in the master mode ($CLKMOD = 1$), except that the four-pin option uses either \overline{SPIENA} or \overline{SPISCS} pin. The I/O direction of these pins is determined by the $CLKMOD$ control bit as SPI not general purpose I/O.

4-pin option with \overline{SPISCS}

To use the \overline{SPISCS} as an automatic chip select pin, the \overline{SPISCS} pin must be configured to be functional ($SPIPC6.4 = 1$). In this mode, the master will drive this signal low when data has been written to $SPIDAT1$ and then drive the pin high again after a character transmission has completed. If data is written to $SPIDAT0$, \overline{SPISCS} remains high (see Figure 3).

Figure 3. SPI Four Pin Option with \overline{SPISCS}



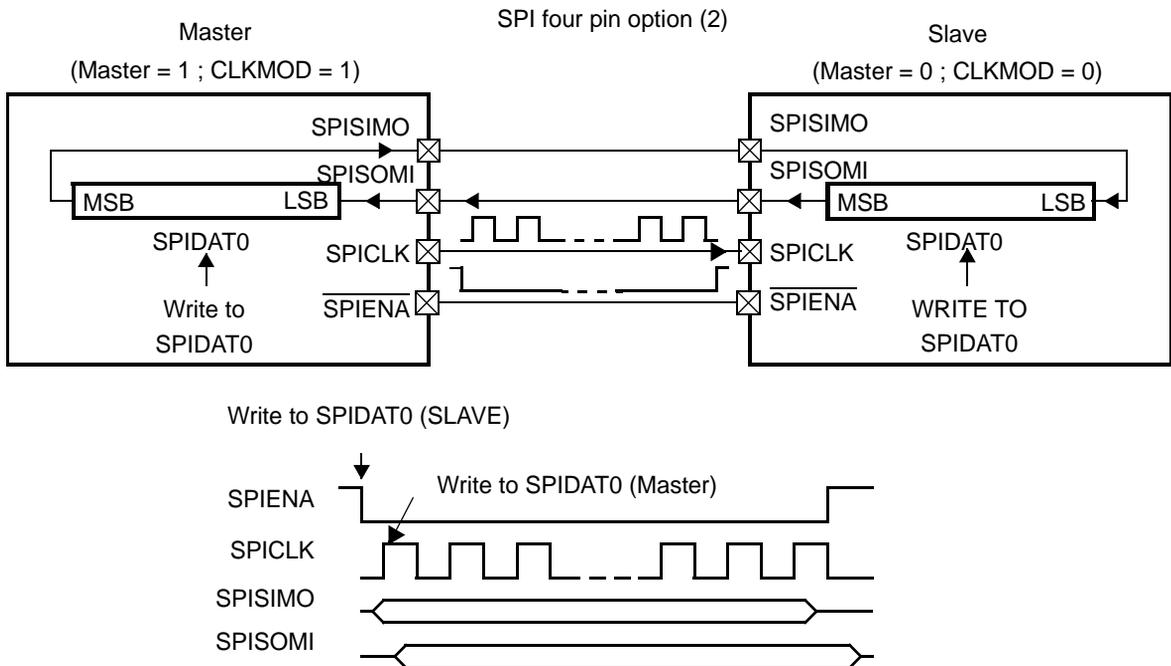
To use the \overline{SPISCS} as a chip select, the slave \overline{SPISCS} pin must be configured as SPI functional ($SPIPC6.4 = 1$). In this mode, an active low signal on the \overline{SPISCS} pin will allow the slave SPI to transfer data to the serial data line. An inactive high signal will put the slave SPI's serial output pin in a high-impedance state. Therefore many slave devices can be tied together on the network, but only one slave at a time is allowed to talk. While the slave is not selected, no shifting or interrupts will occur.

4-pin option with $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$

To use the $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ as a WAIT signal pin, the $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin must be configured to be functional ($\text{SPIPC6.0} = 1$). In this mode, an active low signal on the $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin will allow the master SPI to drive the clock pulse stream; otherwise, the master will hold the clock signal.

To use the $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ as a WAIT signal pin, the slave $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin must be configured as functional ($\text{SPIPC6.0} = 1$). If the $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin is in high-z mode ($\text{ENABLE_HIGHZ} = 1$), the slave will put $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ into the high-impedance once it receives a new character. If the $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin is in push-pull mode ($\text{ENABLE_HIGHZ} = 0$), the slave will drive $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ high once it receives a new character. The slave will drive $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ low again after new data is written to the slave shift register (SPIDAT0).

Figure 4. SPI Four Pin Option with $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$



2.4 SPI Operation; Five-Pin Option (Hardware Handshaking)

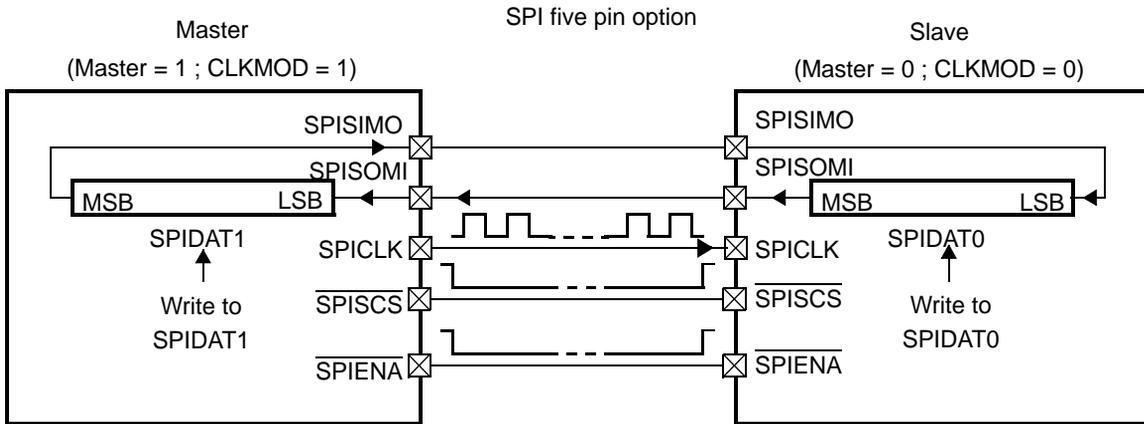
To use the hardware handshaking mechanism, both the $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin and $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ pin must be configured as functional pins.

In the master SPI ($\text{CLKMOD} = 1$), if the $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin is configured as a functional input. If configured as a slave SPI, the $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin is configured as a functional output. If the $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin is in high-z mode ($\text{ENABLE_HIGHZ} = 1$), the slave SPI will put this signal into the high-impedance state if it receives a new character from the master or if the slave becomes de-selected by the master ($\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ goes high). The slave will drive the signal low when new data is written to the slave shift register (SPIDAT0) and the slave has been selected by the master ($\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ is low).

If the $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin is in push-pull mode ($\text{ENABLE_HIGHZ} = 0$), the slave will drive $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ high only if there is new data in the buffer register and the slave is selected by the master ($\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ is low). The slave SPI will drive the $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ signal low when new data is written to the slave shift register (SPIDAT0) and the slave is selected by the master ($\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ is low). If the slave is de-selected by the master ($\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ goes high), the slave $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ signal is driven low, allowing the master SPI to communicate with other slave SPIs.

In the master SPI ($\text{CLKMOD} = 1$), the $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ pin is configured as a functional output. If configured as a slave SPI ($\text{CLKMOD} = 0$), the $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ pin is configured as a functional input. A write to the master's SPIDAT1 shift register will automatically drive the $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ signal low. The master will drive the $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ signal high again after transmitting the new character. If the new data is written to the master's SPIDAT0 shift register, the $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ signal will NOT be driven low.

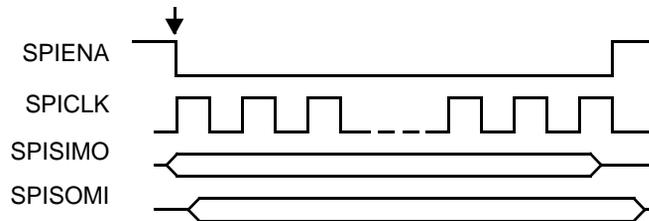
Figure 5. SPI Five-Pin Option with \overline{SPIENA} and \overline{SPISCS}



Write to SPIDAT1 (MASTER)



Write to SPIDAT0 (SLAVE)



2.5 Data Format

The data formats for the three, four and five pin options are identical.

CHARLEN[4:0] (SPICTRL1.4-0) specifies the number of bits (3 to 16) in the data word. The CHARLEN[4:0] value directs the state control logic to count the number of bits received or transmitted to determine when a complete word is processed.

The following conditions apply for words with fewer than 16 bits:

- Data must be left-justified when it is written to the SPI for transmission
- Data is right-justified when read back from the receive register

The buffer contains the most recently received word, right-justified, plus any bits that are left over from previous transmissions that have been shifted to the left. The diagram below shows how a 14-bit word is stored in the buffer once it is received.

Bits	D15	D14	D13	D12	D11	D10	D9	D8	D7	D6	D5	D4	D3	D2	D1	D0
	X	X	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0

In transmit mode, the SPIBUF register contains the most recently transmitted word, left-justified. The diagram below shows how a 14-bit word needs to be written to the buffer in order to be transmitted correctly.

Bits	D15	D14	D13	D12	D11	D10	D9	D8	D7	D6	D5	D4	D3	D2	D1	D0
	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	X	X

To allow for the efficient transmission of byte-sized words, if a character length is programmed for 8 bits or less, the SDPDAT[7] bit instead of SDPDAT[15] is the source of the serial out data. This prevents the need to further add 8 justification bits.

2.6 Clocking Modes

There are four clock modes in which SPICLK may operate, depending on the choice of the phase (delay/no delay) and the polarity (rising edge / falling edge) of the clock. When operating with PHASE active, the SPI makes the first bit of data available after the SPIDAT0 register is written and before the first edge of SPICLK. The data input and output edges depend on the values of both POLARITY and PHASE as shown in [Table 2](#).

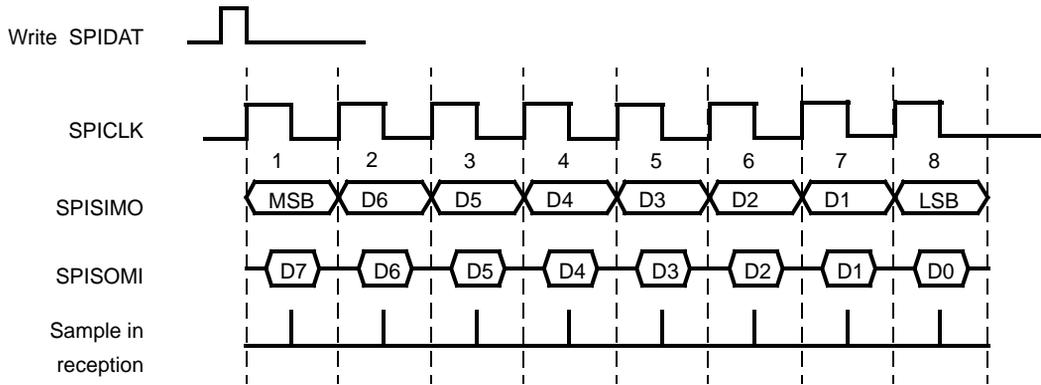
Table 2. Clocking Modes

POLARITY	PHASE	ACTION
0	0	Data is output on the rising edge of SPICLK. Input data is latched on the falling edge.
0	1	Data is output one half-cycle before the first rising edge of SPICLK and on subsequent falling edges. Input data is latched on the rising edge of SPICLK.
1	0	Data is output on the falling edge of SPICLK. Input data is latched on the rising edge.
1	1	Data is output one half-cycle before the first falling edge of SPICLK and on subsequent rising edges. Input data is latched on the falling edge of SPICLK.

[Figure 6](#) to [Figure 9](#) illustrate the four possible signals of SPICLK corresponding to each mode. Having four signal options allows the SPI to interface with different types of serial devices. Also shown are the SPICLK control bit polarity and phase values corresponding to each signal.

Figure 6. Clock Mode with POLARITY = 0 and PHASE = 0

Clock polarity = 0, Clock phase = 0

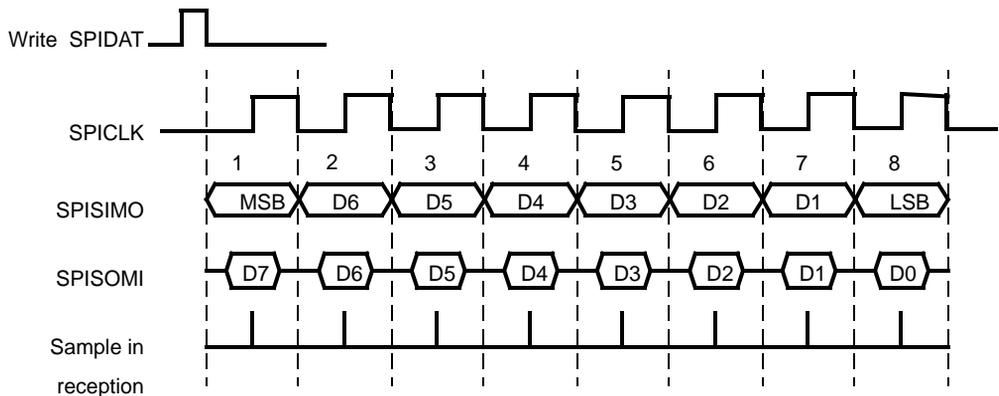


Clock phase = 0 (SPICLK without delay)

- Data is output on the rising edge of SPICLK
- Input data is latched on the falling edge of SPICLK
- A write to the SPIDAT register starts SPICLK

Figure 7. Clock Mode with POLARITY = 0 and PHASE = 1

Clock polarity = 0, Clock phase = 1

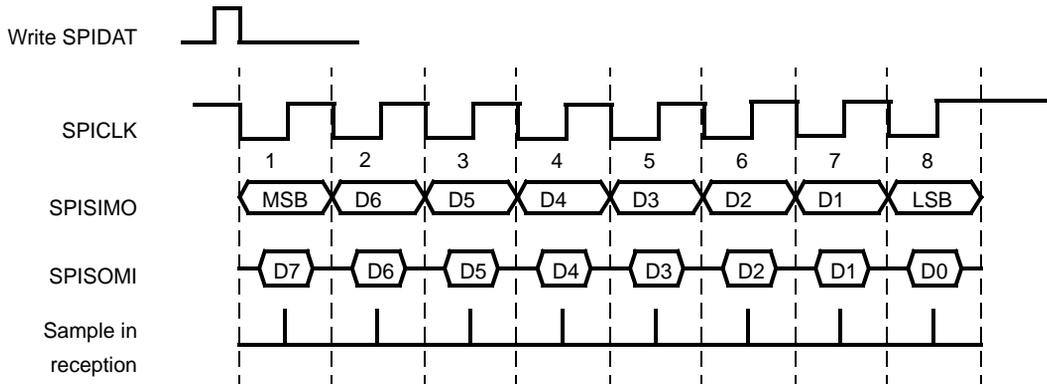


Clock phase = 1 (SPICLK with delay)

- Data is output one-half cycle before the first rising of SPICLK and on subsequent falling edges of SPICLK
- Input data is latched on the rising edge of SPICLK

Figure 8. Clock Mode with POLARITY = 1 and PHASE = 0

Clock polarity = 1, Clock phase = 0

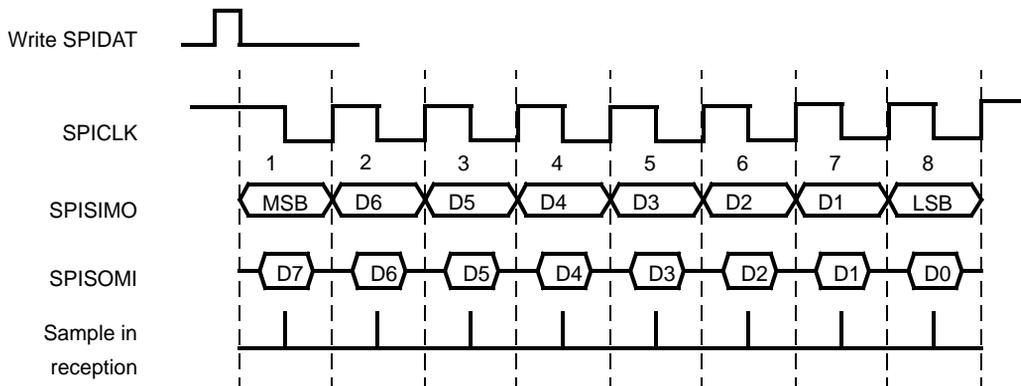


Clock phase = 0 (SPICLK without delay)

- Data is output on the falling edge of SPICLK
- Input data is latched on the rising edge of SPICLK
- A write to the SPIDAT register starts SPICLK

Figure 9. Clock Mode with POLARITY = 1 and PHASE = 1

Clock polarity = 1, Clock phase = 1



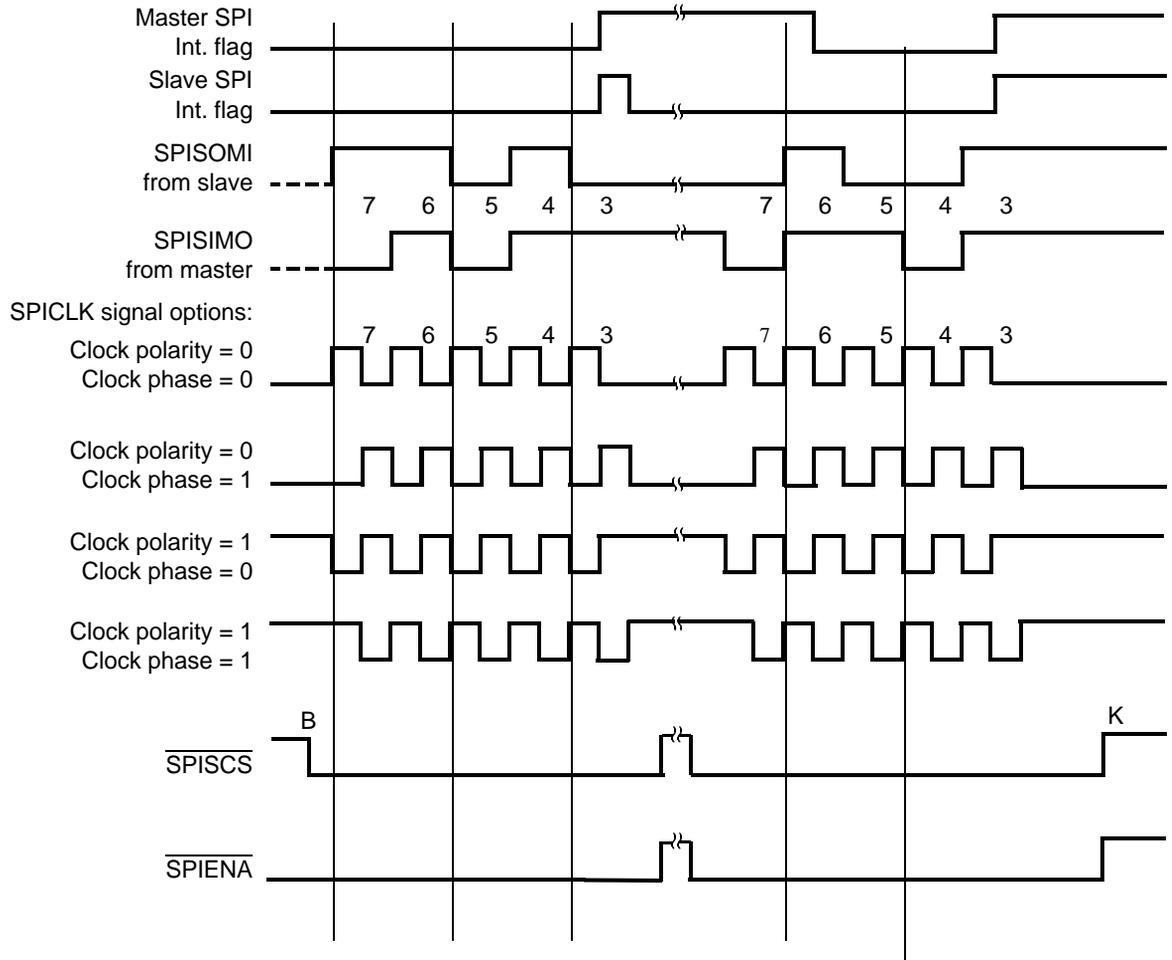
Clock phase 1 (SPICLK with delay)

- Data is output one-half cycle before the first falling edge of SPICLK and on the subsequent rising edges of SPICLK
- Input data is latched on the falling edge of SPICLK

2.7 Data Transfer Example

The following timing diagram illustrates an SPI data transfer between two devices using a character length of five bits.

Figure 10. Five Bits per Character (5-Pin Option)



2.8 Baud Rate Limitations

It is recommended to operate the master and slave SPIs at the same baud rate. However, when this is not possible the SPICLK ranges specified in [Table 3](#) must be followed to ensure proper data transfer. The SPICLK rate is set by adjusting the PRESCALE value in the SPICTRL1 register.

Table 3. SPICLK Ranges

POLARITY	PHASE	SPICLK RATIO
X	0	$\frac{MasterSPICLK}{2} \leq SlaveSPICLK \leq (MasterSPICLK + 1\%)$
X	1	$\frac{MasterSPICLK}{2} \leq SlaveSPICLK \leq (MasterSPICLK \times 2)$

In all clocking mode configurations, the slave SPICLK must never be less than half the speed of the master SPICLK. Doing so may allow the master to start a new SPI transmission before the slave is ready. When operating with PHASE = 0, the slave SPICLK must not be more than 1% faster than the master SPICLK. When operating with PHASE = 1 the slave SPICLK must not be more than two times faster than the master SPICLK. If the slave SPICLK exceeds the master SPICLK by more than 1% when PHASE = 0 or by 2x when PHASE = 1 there is a possibility that the slave will move data from the input shift register to SPIBUF before the master is finished transferring data.

3 General Purpose I/O

Each of the SPI pins may be programmed via the SPI Pin Control Registers (SPIPC1, SPIPC2, SPIPC3, SPIPC4, SPIPC5, SPIPC6) to be a general-purpose I/O pin.

When the SPI module is not used, the SPI pins may be programmed to be either general input or general output pins. The direction is controlled in the SPIPC1 register. Note that each pin can be programmed to be either a SPI pin or a GPIO pin through register SPIPC6.

If the SPI function is to be used, application software must ensure that each pin is configured as a SPI pin and not a GPIO pin, or else unexpected behavior may result.

Note: Unused SPI Pins

If there are four or five SPI pins available and only the three- or four-pin configuration is desired, the remaining pin(s) can be configured and used as general-purpose input/output (GIO) pins.

4 Low Power Mode

The SPI module has two means to be placed in a low-power mode: a global low-power mode from the system and a local low-power mode via the POWERDOWN bit (SPICTRL2.2). The net effect on the SPI is the same, independent of the source.

A low-power mode in effect shuts down all the clocks to the module. During a global low-power mode, no registers are visible to the software; nothing can be written to or read from any register. A local low-power mode has the same effect when both the local POWERDOWN bit and the system level PPWNOVR bit are set. If only the local POWERDOWN bit is set, then the SPI logic is not clocked, but the registers continue to be clocked.

Since entering a low-power mode has the effect of suspending all state-machine activities, care must be taken when entering such modes to insure that a valid state is entered when low-power mode is active. As a result, application software must insure that a low power mode is not entered during a transmission or reception of a message.

5 DMA Interface

If handling the SPI message traffic on a character-by-character basis requires too much CPU overhead and if the particular device is equipped with the DMA controller, the SPI may use the DMA controller to receive or transmit data directly to memory. The SPI module contains one DMA request enable bit (DMA REQ EN).

When a character is being transmitted or received, the SPI will signal the DMA via a DMA request signal. The DMA controller will then perform the needed data manipulation.

For DMA-based transmissions, all characters are assembled in RAM, and DMA transfers move the message, word-by-word, from RAM into the SPIDAT0 register. (See the DMA controller specification). Data is then read from SPIBUF, clearing RXINTFLAG (SPICTRL3.0).

For efficient behavior, during DMA operations, the receive interrupt enable flag RXINTEN (SPICTRL3.1) should be cleared to 0. For specific DMA features, refer to the DMA controller specification.

6 Control Registers

This section describes the SPI control, data and pin registers. The registers support 16-bit and 32-bit writes.

Table 4. SPI Registers

Offset Address†	Register	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0				
0x00	SPICTRL1	Reserved																		Reserved		PRESCALE.7:0										CHARLEN.4:0					
		Reserved																		Reserved		CLK MOD		SPI EN		MASTER		POWER DOWN		POLARITY		PHASE					
0x04	SPICTRL2	Reserved																		Reserved		ENABLE HIGHZ		DMA REQ EN		OVRN INTEN		RCVR OVRN		RXINT EN		RXINT-FLAG					
		Reserved																		Reserved		ENABLE HIGHZ		DMA REQ EN		OVRN INTEN		RCVR OVRN		RXINT EN		RXINT-FLAG					
0x08	SPICRTL3	Reserved																		Reserved		ENABLE HIGHZ		DMA REQ EN		OVRN INTEN		RCVR OVRN		RXINT EN		RXINT-FLAG					
		Reserved																		Reserved		ENABLE HIGHZ		DMA REQ EN		OVRN INTEN		RCVR OVRN		RXINT EN		RXINT-FLAG					
0x0C	SPIDAT0	Reserved																		SPIDAT0.15:0																	
		Reserved																		SPIDAT0.15:0																	
0x10	SPIDAT1	Reserved																		SPIDAT1.15:0																	
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Table 4. SPI Registers (Continued)

Offset Address†	Register	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16
		15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
0x14	SPIBUF	Reserved														RCV R OVR IMG	RXINT- FLAG IMG
		SPIBUF.15:0															
0x18	SPIEMU	Reserved															
		SPIEMU.15:0															
0x1C	SPIPC1	Reserved															
		Reserved											SCS DIR	SOMI DIR	SIMO DIR	CLK DIR	ENABLE DIR
0x20	SPIPC2	Reserved															
		Reserved											SCS DIN	SOMI DIN	SIMO DIN	CLK DIN	ENABLE DIN
0x24	SPIPC3	Reserved															
		Reserved											SCS DOUT	SOMI DOUT	SIMO DOUT	CLK DOUT	ENABLE DOUT
0x28	SPIPC4	Reserved															
		Reserved											SCS DOUT SET	SOMI DOUT SET	SIMO DOUT SET	CLK DOUT SET	ENABLE DOUT SET

Table 4. SPI Registers (Continued)

Offset Address†	Register	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	0
0x2C	SPIPC5	Reserved																
		Reserved												SCS DOUT CLR	SOMI DOUT CLR	SIMO DOUT CLR	CLK DOUT CLR	ENABLE DIR
0x30	SPIPC6	Reserved																
		Reserved												SCS FUN	SOMI FUN	SIMO FUN	CLK FUN	ENABLE FUN

† The actual addresses of these registers are device specific. See the specific device data sheet to verify the SPI register addresses.

‡ The SPIBUF is a 32 bit register. Two bits in the upper 16 bits are used for control, all 16 lower bits are data buffers.

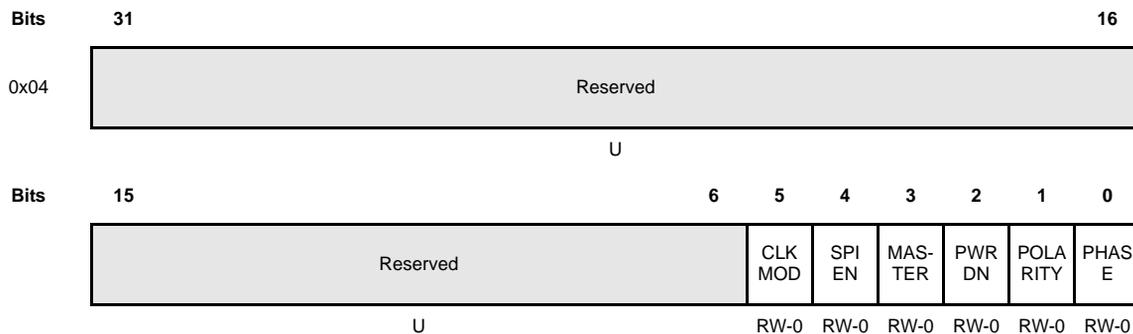
Bits 4:0

CHARLEN Controls how many times the SPI shifts per character transmitted or the number of bits per character. The binary value of the bit length must be programmed into this register. Legal values are 0x03 to 0x10. Illegal values, such as 0x00 or 0x1F are not detected and their effect is indeterminate.

Note: CHARLEN Bits Must Be Initialized

CHARLEN.4:0 must be initialized to the desired character length before the SPIEN bit is set. Otherwise, the first character may be shifted with an incorrect length.

6.2 SPI Control Register 2 (SPICTRL2)



R = read; W = Write; U = Undefined; -n = Value after reset

Bits 31:6 **Reserved.**

Reads are undefined and writes have no effect.

Bit 5 **CLKMOD.** Clock mode

Selects either an internal or external clock source. This bit also determines the I/O direction of the SPIENA and SPISCS pins in functional mode.

0 = Clock is external
1 = Clock is internal

Bit 4 **SPIEN.** SPI enable

Holds the SPI in a reset state after a chip reset. The SPI is enabled only after a 1 is written to this bit. This bit must be set to 1 after all other SPI configuration bits have been written. This prevents an invalid operation of the SPI while the clock polarity is being changed. When this bit is 0, the SPI shift registers (SPIDAT0 and SPIDAT1) are held in reset mode and forced to 0x0000.

The RXINTFLAG (SPICTRL3.0) and RCVROVRN (SPITRL3.2) bits are also held in reset mode and forced to 0 when this bit is 0. SPICLK is disabled when this bit is 0.

0 = SPI is in reset
1 = Activates SPI

Note: Clearing SPIBUF

Clearing and then setting the SPIEN bit does not clear an internal flag that indicates that there is valid data in the SPI data register. This could lead to an inadvertent overrun error. The software should do a dummy read of SPIBUF after setting the SPIEN bit to clear the internal flag.

Bit 3 MASTER: SPISIMO/SPISOMI pin direction determination.

Determines the direction of the SPISIMO and SPISOMI pins.

0 = SPISIMO pin an input, SPISOMI pin an output
 1 = SPISOMI pin an input, SPISIMO pin an output

Bit 2 POWERDOWN.

When active, the SPI state machines enter a powerdown state.

0 = SPI in active mode
 1 = SPI in powerdown mode

Bit 1 POLARITY.

Controls the polarity of the SPICLK. Clock polarity and clock phase (SPICTRL2.0) controls four clocking schemes on the SPICLK pin. See [Figure 6](#) to [Figure 9, page 13](#) for wave form diagrams of the SPI clocking schemes.

Bit 0 PHASE.

Data is sent or latched in-phase with the clock signal. When PHASE = 1, SPICLK is delayed by one-half cycle from when data is output. Polarity is determined by the POLARITY bit (SPICTRL2.1). POLARITY and PHASE make four different clocking schemes possible. For information on the use of the Polarity and Phase bits, see [section 2.5, Data Format, on page 11](#)

Note: Register Configuration Bits

Since there are configuration bits in this register, two write operations must occur when setting these bits. One write to set the configuration bits and one to set the SPIEN bit.

6.3 SPI Control Register 3 (SPICTRL3)



R = Read, W = Write, C = Clear, U = Undefined; -n = Value after reset

Bits 31:6 **Reserved.**

Reads are undefined and writes have no effect.

Bit 5 **ENABLE HIGHZ.** $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin high-z enable.

When active, the $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin (when it is configured as a WAIT functional output signal in a slave SPI) is forced to place its output in high-z when not driving a low signal. If inactive, then the pin will output both a high and a low signal.

0 = $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin is a value
 1 = $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin is in high-z

Bit 4 **DMA REQ EN.** DMA request enable.

Enables the DMA request signal to be generated for both receive and transmit channels.

0 = DMA is not used
 1 = DMA is used

Bit 3 **OVRNINTEN.** Overrun interrupt enable.

An interrupt is to be generated when the RCVR OVRN flag bit (SPICTRL3.2) is set by hardware. Otherwise, no interrupt will be generated.

0 = Overrun interrupt will not be generated
 1 = Overrun interrupt will be generated

Bit 2 **RCVR OVRN.** Receiver overrun flag.

This bit is a read/clear only flag. The SPI hardware sets this bit when an operation completes before the previous character has been read from the buffer. The bit indicates that the last received character has been overwritten and therefore lost. The SPI will generate an interrupt request if this bit is set and the OVRN INTEN bit (SPICTRL3.3) is set high.

This bit is cleared in one of four ways:

- Reading the SPIBUF register
- Writing a 1 to this bit
- Writing a 0 to SPIEN (SPICTRL2.4)
- System reset

0 = Overrun condition did not occur
 1 = Overrun condition has occurred

Bit 1 **RXINTEN.**

An interrupt is to be generated when the RXINTFLAG bit (SPICTRL3.0) is set by hardware. Otherwise, no interrupt will be generated.

0 = Interrupt will not be generated
 1 = Interrupt will be generated

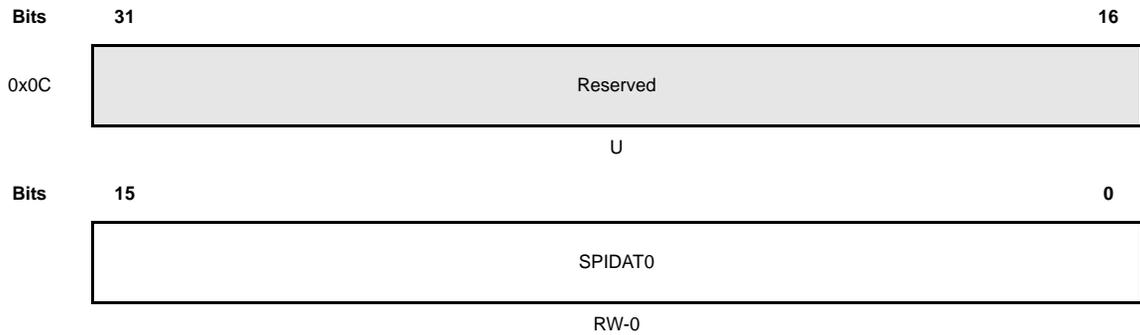
Bit 0 **RXINTFLAG.** Serves as the SPI interrupt flag.

This flag is set when a word is received and copied into the buffer register (SPIBUF). If RXINTEN is enabled, an interrupt is also generated. During emulation mode, however, a read to the emulation register (SPIEMU) does not clear this flag bit. This bit is cleared in one of four ways:

- Reading the SPIBUF register
- Writing a 1 to this bit
- Writing a 0 to SPIEN (SPICTRL2.4)
- System reset

0 = Interrupt condition did not occur
 1 = Interrupt condition did occur

6.4 SPI Shift Register 0 (SPIDAT0)



R = Read, W = Write, U = Undefined; -n = Value after reset

Bits 31:16 **Reserved**

Reads are undefined and writes have no effect.

Bits 15:0 **SPIDAT0 SPI shift data 0.**

These bits make up the SPI shift register 0. Data is shifted out of the MSB (bit 15) and into the LSB (bit 0).

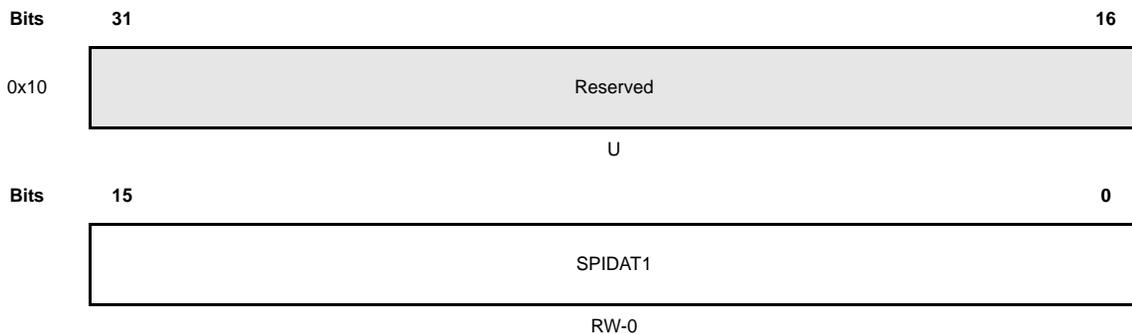
SPIEN (SPICTRL2.4) must be set to 1 before this register can be written to. Writing a 0 to the SPIEN register forces the lower 16 bits of the SPIDAT0 register to 0x00.

When data is read from this register, the value is indeterminate because of the shift operation. The value in the buffer register (SPIBUF) should be read after the shift operation is complete to determine what data was shifted into the SPIDAT0 register.

When transmitting data, input data is automatically clocked in at the receive side. As the data is shifted from the MSB, the LSB of the received data is shifted in. Similarly, when the shift register is used as a receiver, the shift register continues to send data out as it receives new data on each input clock cycle. This allows the concurrent transmission and reception of data. The application software must determine whether the data transferred is valid.

For word sizes of 8 bits or less (as determined by CHARLEN) (SPICTRL1.4:0), the shift register is tapped at SPIDAT.7. As a result, data of 8 bits does not need to be justified at all. For data of less than 8 bits, the data should be justified as if it is an 8-bit register.

6.5 SPI Shift Register 1 (SPIDAT1)



R = Read, W = Write, U = Undefined; -n = Value after reset

Bits 31:16 **Reserved**

Reads are undefined and writes have no effect.

Bits 15:0 **SPIDAT1 SPI shift data 1.**

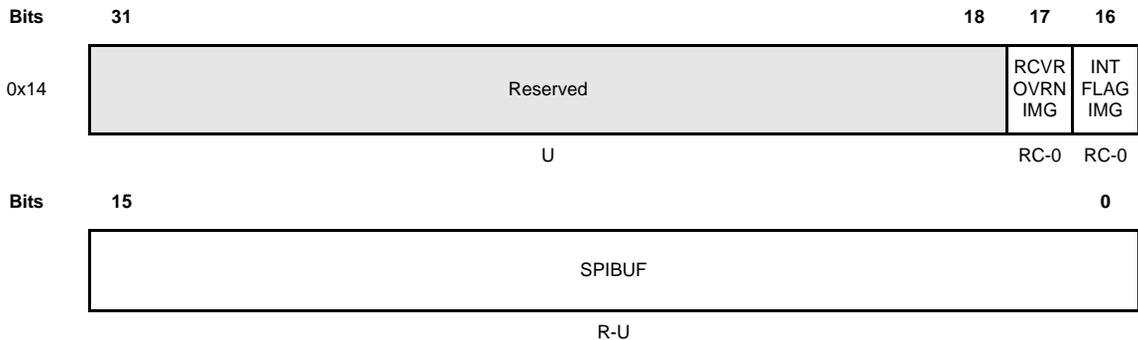
These bits make up the SPI shift register 1. Data is shifted out of the MSB (bit 15) and into the LSB (bit 0).

SPIEN must be set to 1 before this register can be written to. Writing a 0 to the SPIEN register forces the lower 16 bits of the SPIDAT1 register to 0x00.

Write to this register **ONLY** when using the automatic Slave Chip Select feature. See [section 2, SPI Operation Modes, on page 3](#). A write to this register will drive the $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ signal low.

When data is read from this register, the value is indeterminate because of the shift operation. The value in the buffer register (SPIBUF) should be read after the shift operation is complete to determine what data was shifted into the SPIDAT1 register.

6.6 SPI Buffer Register (SPIBUF)



R = Read, C = Clear, U = Undefined; -n = Value after reset

Bits 31:18 **Reserved.**

Reads are undefined and writes have no effect

Bit 17 **RCVR OVRN IMG.** SPI receiver overrun flag image.

This is a mirror bit of the RCVROVRN flag bit (SPICTRL3.2) and is used to reduce the interrupt latency and execution time.

This bit is cleared in one of four ways.

- Reading the SPIBUF register
- Writing a 1 to this bit
- Writing a 0 to SPIEN (SPICTRL2.4)
- System reset

0 = Overrun condition did not occur
1 = Overrun condition has occurred

Note: The SPIBUF Register

The SPIBUF is a 32 bit register. Two bits in the upper 16 bits are used for control, all 16 lower bits are data buffers

Bit 16 **RXINTFLAG IMG.** SPI interrupt flag image.

This is a mirror bit of the RXINTFLAG bit (SPICTRL3.0).

This bit is cleared in one of four ways.

- Reading the SPIBUF register
- Writing a 1 to this bit
- Writing a 0 to SPIEN (SPICTRL2.4)
- System reset

0 = Interrupt condition did not occur

1 = Interrupt condition did occur

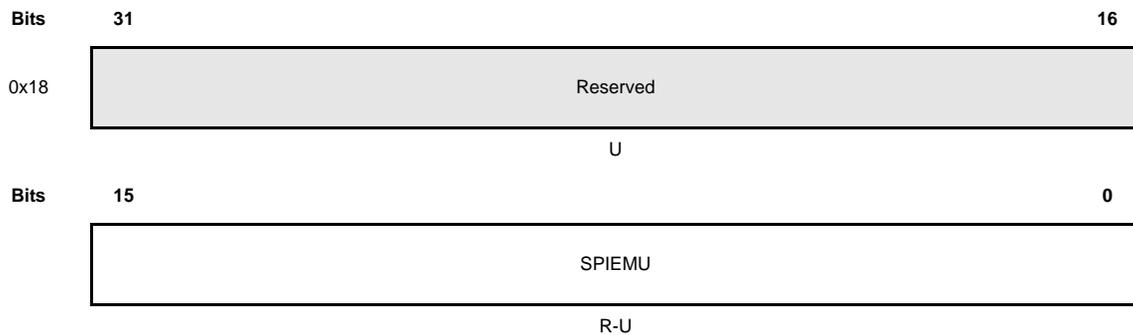
Bits 15:0 **SPIBUF: SPI buffer.**

The data in this register is the data transferred from the shift-register (SPIDAT). Since the data is shifted into the SPI most significant bit first, for word lengths less than 16, the data is stored right-justified in the register.

Note: SPI Buffer

Reading the SPIBUF register clears the RCVROVRN (SPICTRL3.2), RXINTFLAG (SPICTRL3.0), RCVR OVRN IMG (SPIBUF.17), and the RXINTFLAG IMG (SPIBUF.16) bits.

6.7 SPI Emulation Register (SPIEMU)



R = Read, U = Undefined; -n = Value after reset

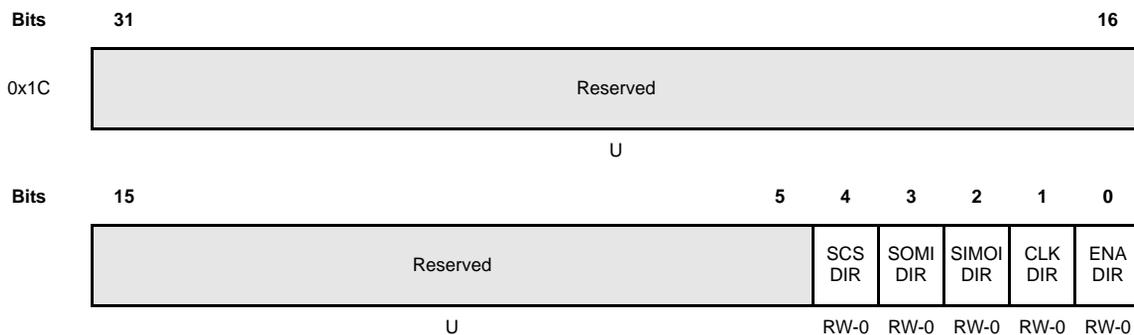
Bits 31:16 **Reserved.**

Reads are undefined and writes have no effect

Bits 15:0 **SPIEMU: SPI emulation.**

SPI emulation is a mirror of the SPIBUF register. The only difference between SPIEMU and SPIBUF is that a read from SPIEMU does not clear the RCVR OVRN (SPICTRL3.2) or RXINTFLAG (SPICTRL3.0) bits.

6.8 SPI Pin Control Register 1 (SPIPC1)



R = Read, C = Clear, U = Undefined; -n = Value after reset

Bits 31:5 **Reserved.**

Reads are undefined and writes have no effect

Bit 4 **SCS DIR: $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ direction.**

Controls the direction of the $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ pin when it is used as a general-purpose I/O pin. If the $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ is used as a SPI functional pin, the I/O direction is determined by the CLKMOD bit (SPICTRL2.5).

0 = $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ pin is an input
 1 = $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ pin is an output

Bit 3 **SOMI DIR: SPISOMI direction.**

Controls the direction of the SPISOMI pin when it is used as a general-purpose I/O pin. If the SPISOMI pin is used as a SPI functional pin, the I/O direction is determined by the MASTER bit (SPICTRL2.3).

0 = SPISOMI pin is an input
 1 = SPISOMI pin is an output

Bit 2 **SIMODIR: SPISIMO direction.**

Controls the direction of the SPISIMO pin when it is used as a general-purpose I/O pin. If the SPISIMO pin is used as a SPI functional pin, the I/O direction is determined by the MASTER bit (SPICTRL2.3).

0 = SPISIMO pin is an input
 1 = SPISIMO pin is an output

Bit 1 **CLKDIR: SPICLK direction.**

Controls the direction of the SPICLK pin when it is used as a general-purpose I/O pin. In functional mode, the I/O direction is determined by the CLKMOD bit (SPICTRL2.5).

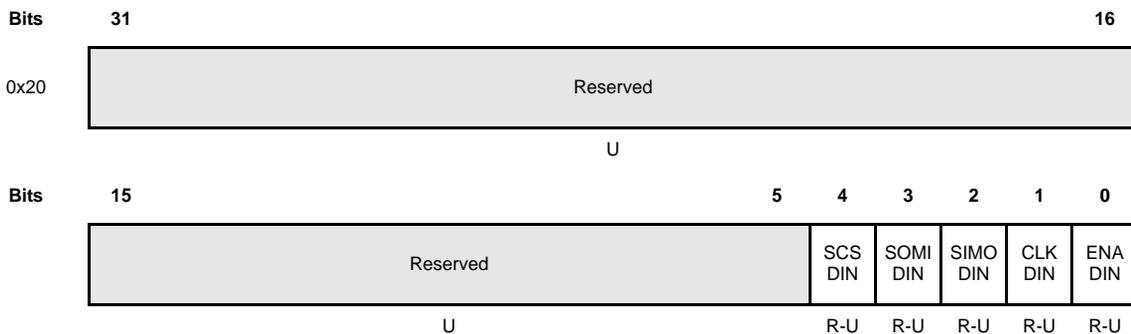
- 0 = SPICLK pin is an input
- 1 = SPICLK pin is an output

Bit 0 **ENA DIR: $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ direction.**

Controls the direction of the $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin when it is used as a general-purpose I/O. If the $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin is used as a functional pin, then the I/O direction is determined by the CLKMOD bit (SPICTRL2.5).

- 0 = SPIENA pin is an input
- 1 = SPIENA pin is an output

6.9 SPI Pin Control Register 2 (SPIPC2)



R = Read, C = Clear, U = Undefined; -n = Value after reset

Bits 31:5 **Reserved.**

Write: Has no effect
 Read: Value is indeterminate
 Reset: Undefined

Bit 4 **SCS DIN: $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ data in.**

Reflects the value of the $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ pin.

0 = Current value on $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ pin is logic 0.
 1 = Current value on $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ pin is logic 1

Bit 3 **SOMI DIN: SPISOMI data in.**

Reflects the value of the SPISOMI pin.

0 = Current value on SPISOMI pin is logic 0.
 1 = Current value on SPISOMI pin is logic 1

Bit 2 **SIMO DIN: SPISIMO data in.**

Reflects the value of the SPISIMO pin.

0 = Current value on SPISIMO pin is logic 0.
 1 = Current value on SPISIMO pin is logic 1

Bit 1 **CLK DIN: Clock data in.**

Reflects the value of the SPICLK pin.

0 = Current value on SPICLK pin is logic 0.
 1 = Current value on SPICLK pin is logic 1

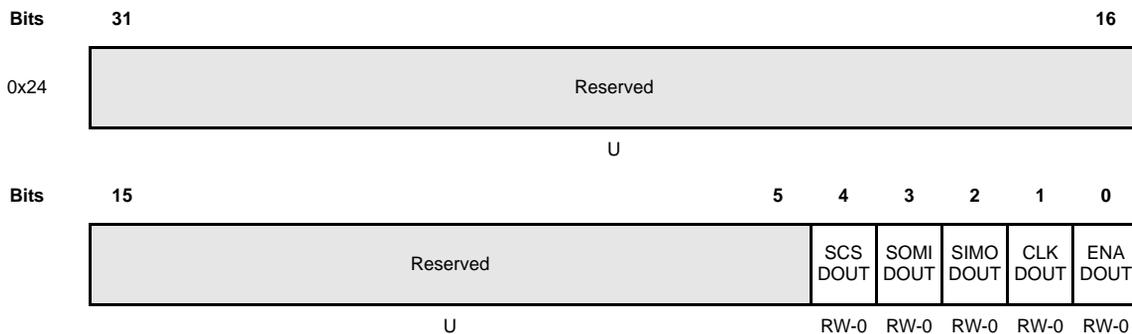
Bit 0

ENA DIN: $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ data in.

Reflects the value of the $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin.

- 0 = Current value on $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin is logic 0.
- 1 = Current value on $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin is logic 1

6.10 SPI Pin Control Register 3 (SPIPC3)



R = Read, W = Write, U = Undefined; -n = Value after reset

Bits 31:5 **Reserved.**

Reads are undefined and writes have no effect.

Bit 4 **SCS DOUT: $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ dataout write.**

Only active when the $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ pin is configured as a general-purpose I/O pin and configured as an output pin. The value of this bit indicates the value sent to the pin.

- 0 = Current value on $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ pin is logic 0.
- 1 = Current value on $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ pin is logic 1

Bit 3 **SOMI DOUT: SPISOMI dataout write.**

Only active when the SPISOMI pin is configured as a general-purpose I/O pin and configured as an output pin. The value of this bit indicates the value sent to the pin.

- 0 = Current value on SPISOMI pin is logic 0.
- 1 = Current value on SPISOMI pin is logic 1

Bit 2 **SIMO DOUT: SPISIMO dataout write.**

Only active when the SPISIMO pin is configured as a general-purpose I/O pin and configured as an output pin. The value of this bit indicates the value sent to the pin.

- 0 = Current value on SPISIMO pin is logic 0.
- 1 = Current value on SPISIMO pin is logic 1

Bit 1 **CLK DOUT: SPICLK dataout write.**

Only active when the SPICLK pin is configured as a general-purpose I/O pin and configured as an output pin. The value of this bit indicates the value sent to the pin.

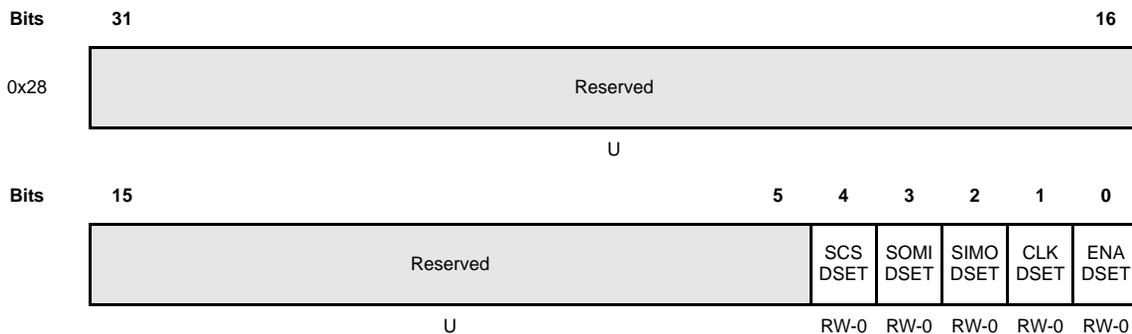
- 0 = Current value on SPICLK pin is logic 0.
- 1 = Current value on SPICLK pin is logic 1

Bit 0 **ENA DOUT: $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ dataout write.**

Only active when the $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin is configured as a general-purpose I/O pin and configured as an output pin. The value of this bit indicates the value sent to the pin.

- 0 = Current value on $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin is logic 0.
- 1 = Current value on $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin is logic 1

6.11 SPI Pin Control Register 4 (SPIPC4)



R = Read, W = Write, U = Undefined; -n = Value after reset

Bits 31:5 **Reserved.**

Reads are undefined and writes have no effect

Bit 4 **SCS DOUT SET: $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ dataout set.**

Only active when the $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ pin is configured as a general-purpose output pin. A value of one written to this bit sets the corresponding $\overline{\text{SCSDOUT}}$ bit (SPIPC3.4) to one.

Write:

- 0 = Has no effect
- 1 = Logic 1 placed on $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ pin

Read:

- 0 = Current value on $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ pin is logic 0.
- 1 = Current value on $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ pin is logic 1

Bit 3 **SOMI DSET: SPISOMI dataout set.**

Only active when the SPISOMI pin is configured as a general-purpose output pin. A value of one written to this bit sets the corresponding SPISOMIDOUT bit (SPIPC3.3) to one.

Write:

- 0 = Has no effect
- 1 = Logic 1 placed on SPISOMI pin

Read:

- 0 = Current value on SPISOMI pin is logic 0.
- 1 = Current value on SPISOMI pin is logic 1

Bit 2 SIMO DSET: SPISIMO dataout set.

Only active when the SPISIMO pin is configured as a general-purpose output pin. A value of one written to this bit sets the corresponding SPISIMODOUT bit (SPIPC3.2) to one.

Write:

0 = Has no effect
1 = Logic 1 placed on SPISIMO pin

Read:

0 = Current value on SPISIMO pin is logic 0.
1 = Current value on SPISIMO pin is logic 1

Bit 1 CLK DSET: SPICLK dataout set.

Only active when the SPICLK pin is configured as a general-purpose output pin. A value of one written to this bit sets the corresponding CLKDOUT bit (SPIPC3.1) to one.

Write:

0 = Has no effect
1 = Logic 1 placed on SPICLK pin

Read:

0 = Current value on SPICLK pin is logic 0.
1 = Current value on SPICLK pin is logic 1

Bit 0 ENA DSET: $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ dataout set.

Only active when the $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin is configured as a general-purpose output pin. A value of one written to this bit sets the corresponding ENABLEDOUT bit (SPIPC3.0) to one.

Write:

0 = Has no effect
1 = Logic 1 placed on $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin

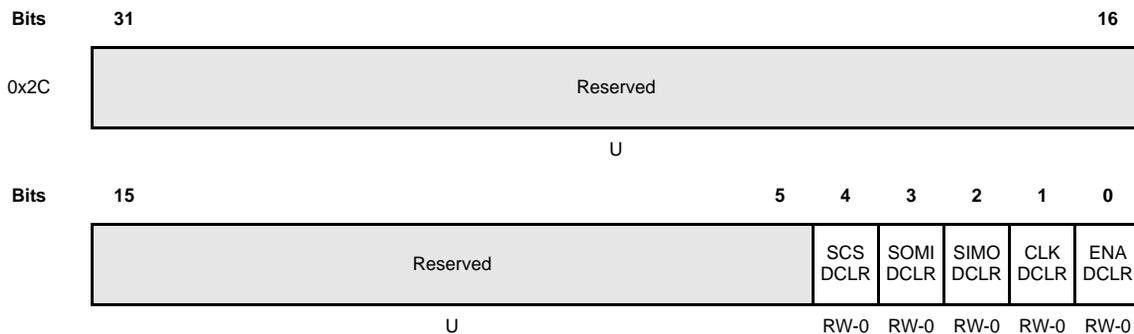
Read:

0 = Current value on $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin is logic 0.
1 = Current value on $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin is logic 1

Note: Register Read

A read to this register gives the corresponding value of the SPIPC3 register.

6.12 SPI Pin Control Register 5 (SPIPC5)



R = Read, W = Write, U = Undefined; -n = Value after reset

Bits 31:5 **Reserved.**

Reads are undefined and writes have no effect

Bit 4 **SCS DCLR: $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ dataout clear.**

Only active when the $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ pin is configured as a general-purpose output pin. A value of one written to this bit clears the corresponding SCSDOUT bit (SPIPC3.4) to zero.

Write:

- 0 = Has no effect
- 1 = Logic 0 placed on $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ pin

Read:

- 0 = Current value on $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ pin is logic 0.
- 1 = Current value on $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ pin is logic 1

Bit 3 **SOMI DCLR: SPISOMI dataout clear.**

Only active when the SPISOMI pin is configured as a general-purpose output pin. A value of one written to this bit clears the corresponding SPISOMIDOUT bit (SPIPC3.3) to zero.

Write:

- 0 = Has no effect
- 1 = Logic 0 placed on SPISOMI pin

Read:

- 0 = Current value on SPISOMI pin is logic 0.
- 1 = Current value on SPISOMI pin is logic 1

Bit 2 SIMO DCLR: SPISIMO dataout clear.

Only active when the SPISIMO pin is configured as a general-purpose output pin. A value of one written to this bit clears the corresponding SPISIMODOUT bit (SPIPC3.2) to zero.

Write:

0 = Has no effect
1 = Logic 0 placed on SPISIMO pin

Read:

0 = Current value on SPISIMO pin is logic 0.
1 = Current value on SPISIMO pin is logic 1

Bit 1 CLK DCLR: SPICLK dataout clear.

Only active when the SPICLK pin is configured as a general-purpose output pin. A value of one written to this bit clears the corresponding CLKDOUT bit (SPIPC3.1) to zero.

Write:

0 = Has no effect
1 = Logic 0 placed on SPICLK pin

Read:

0 = Current value on SPICLK pin is logic 0.
1 = Current value on SPICLK pin is logic 1

Bit 0 ENA DCLR: $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ dataout clear.

Only active when the $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin is configured as a general-purpose output pin. A value of one written to this bit clears the corresponding ENABLEDOUT bit (SPIPC3.0) to zero.

Write:

0 = Has no effect
1 = Logic 0 placed on $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin

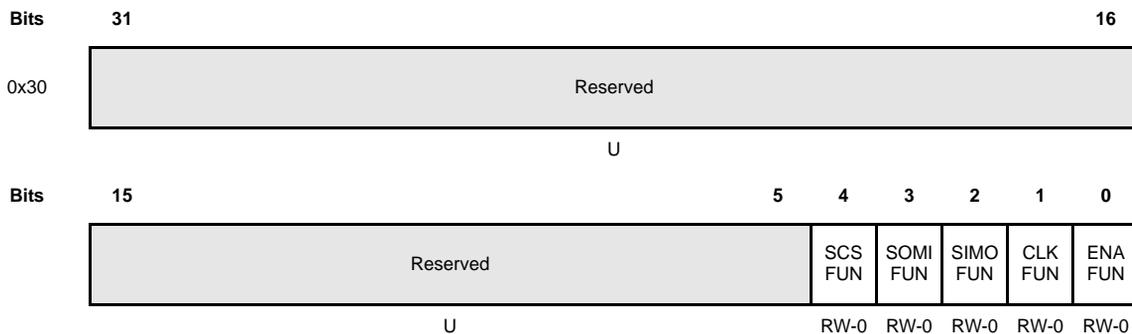
Read:

0 = Current value on $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin is logic 0.
1 = Current value on $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin is logic 1

Note: Register Read

A read to this register gives the corresponding value of the SPIPC3 register.

6.13 SPI Pin Control Register 6 (SPIPC6)



R = Read, W = Write, U = Undefined; -n = Value after reset

Bits 31:5 **Reserved.**

Reads are undefined and writes have no effect

Bit 4 **SCS FUN: $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ function.**

Determines whether the $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ pin is to be used as a general-purpose I/O pin or as a SPI functional pin. If the slave $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ pin is in functional mode and receives an inactive high signal, the slave SPI will place it's output in high-z and disable shifting.

- 0 = $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ pin is a GPIO
- 1 = $\overline{\text{SPISCS}}$ pin is a SPI functional pin

Bit 3 **SOMI FUN: Slave out, master in function.**

Determines whether the SPISOMI pin is to be used as a general-purpose I/O pin or as a SPI functional pin.

- 0 = SPISOMI pin is a GPIO
- 1 = SPISOMI pin is a SPI functional pin

Bit 2 **SIMO FUN: Slave in, master out function.**

Determines whether the SPISIMO pin is to be used as a general-purpose I/O pin, or as a SPI functional pin.

- 0 = SPISIMO pin is a GPIO
- 1 = SPISIMO pin is a SPI functional pin

Bit 1 **CLK FUN: SPI clock function.**

Determines whether the SPICLK pin is to be used as a general-purpose I/O pin, or as a SPI functional pin.

- 0 = SPICLK pin is a GPIO
- 1 = SPICLK pin is a SPI functional pin

Bit 0

ENA FUN: $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ function.

Determines whether the $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin is to be used as a general-purpose I/O pin, or as a SPI functional pin.

- 0 = $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin is a GPIO
- 1 = $\overline{\text{SPIENA}}$ pin is a SPI functional pin