

25. Memory Programming

25.1 Program And Data Memory Lock Bits

The ATmega88P/168P/328P provides six Lock bits which can be left unprogrammed (“1”) or can be programmed (“0”) to obtain the additional features listed in [Table 25-2](#). The Lock bits can only be erased to “1” with the Chip Erase command. The ATmega48P has no separate Boot Loader section. The SPM instruction is enabled for the whole Flash if the SELFPRGEN fuse is programmed (“0”), otherwise it is disabled.

Table 25-1. Lock Bit Byte⁽¹⁾

Lock Bit Byte	Bit No	Description	Default Value
	7	–	1 (unprogrammed)
	6	–	1 (unprogrammed)
BLB12 ⁽²⁾	5	Boot Lock bit	1 (unprogrammed)
BLB11 ⁽²⁾	4	Boot Lock bit	1 (unprogrammed)
BLB02 ⁽²⁾	3	Boot Lock bit	1 (unprogrammed)
BLB01 ⁽²⁾	2	Boot Lock bit	1 (unprogrammed)
LB2	1	Lock bit	1 (unprogrammed)
LB1	0	Lock bit	1 (unprogrammed)

Notes: 1. “1” means unprogrammed, “0” means programmed
 2. Only on ATmega88P/168P/328P.

Table 25-2. Lock Bit Protection Modes⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

Memory Lock Bits			Protection Type
LB Mode	LB2	LB1	
1	1	1	No memory lock features enabled.
2	1	0	Further programming of the Flash and EEPROM is disabled in Parallel and Serial Programming mode. The Fuse bits are locked in both Serial and Parallel Programming mode. ⁽¹⁾
3	0	0	Further programming and verification of the Flash and EEPROM is disabled in Parallel and Serial Programming mode. The Boot Lock bits and Fuse bits are locked in both Serial and Parallel Programming mode. ⁽¹⁾

Notes: 1. Program the Fuse bits and Boot Lock bits before programming the LB1 and LB2.
 2. “1” means unprogrammed, “0” means programmed