

Assembly instructions SIDBlaster-USB Tic Tac Rev. 1.2

For the assembly, some experience in soldering is required. Under all circumstances, you'll likely need:

- soldering station with a normal and a pointed soldering tip
- working lamp with magnifier
- flux pen
- tweezers
- small side cutter
- isopropyl alcohol
- brush
- meter
- wooden toothpick

Assembly Steps:

(1) equip FT232 chip (U2); the following pin numbers must be soldered up: 1; 4; 5; 7; 12; 15; 16; 17; 18; 20; 21; 23; 25.

hint: subsequently check the right connections according to the circuit diagram with a multimeter ("wiring test")

Please note: For correct operation, pin 26 must be switched on mass. This was forgotten in the layout of revision 1.2. Therefore, bridge pin 25 with pin 26.

(2) equip LEDs D2: blue; D3: red; consider mark!

(3) equip R1 and R2, 270 Ohms

(4) equip C1, 10nFs

(5) equip U4, Imprint: **B6287G**; **attention!** U4 is turned by 180° in relation to U2

(6) equip C3, C4, C2, C21, C5, C6, C7, C20: 100nFs

(7) equip R23 (18k)

(8) equip R22 (47k)

(9) equip R20 und R21 (1k)

(10) solder on inductor (L2), tip: tin-plate pads in advance

(11) solder diode D1 (SS26)

(12) clean circuit-board

- (13) solder on U1, pinch off spare ends
- (14) equip USB jack socket
- (15) C10, C11 (22uFs), consider polarity
- (16) equip L1
- (17) test: connect current source, blue LED must be on; measure voltage between pin 14 (GND) and pin 28 (+12V) of U3 (SID)
- (18) IC socket for SID: cut connections with side cutter, sand smooth
- (19) solder in the two parts of the socket
- (20) equip JP1-JP6
- (21) equip SV1 and SV2
- (22) Test: set JP1 and measure voltage at the SID socket (must be 9V now)
- (23) **flash FT232 template:** software tool "FT_Prog" by FTDI required. Connect circuit board, start FT Prog, scan for device, load template (GitHub), right click on Device ->Apply Template. Then click "program" and program.
- (24) **flash PIC μ C:** A programming device like PicIt 3 is needed, possibly build adapter cable, software: MPLAB IPE.
- (25) Test: connect circuit board and start ACIDPlayer, play Tune, Sidblaster should be recognized and red LED should be on
- (26) equip C70, C71 (470pFs)
- (27) equip C72, C73 (22nFs)
- (28) equip C80, C81 (1800pFs)
- (29) equip C82, C83 (2,2nFs)
- (30) equip R12, R8 (1K)
- (31) equip R14, R9 (10K)
- (32) equip C18 (1000pFs)
- (33) equip C8, C9 (100nFs)
- (34) set jumper JP1: red; JP4 & JP5: green; JP2 & JP3: blue; JP6: white
- (35) equip T1, consider polarity according to data sheet (can be different from equipment imprint!)
- (36) equip C77, C79 (10uFs, bipolar), polarity irrelevant
- (37) solder on jack sockets
- (38) measure voltage again
- (39) install SID

(40) check jumper

(41) connect to personal computer and test with ACID player.

(42) The answer to all questions 😊