

MDSCR_EL1, Monitor Debug System Control Register

The MDSCR_EL1 characteristics are:

Purpose

Main control register for the debug implementation.

Configuration

AArch64 System register MDSCR_EL1 bits [31:0] are architecturally mapped to AArch32 System register [DBGDSCRext\[31:0\]](#).

AArch64 System register MDSCR_EL1 bit [15] is architecturally mapped to AArch32 System register [DBGDSCRint\[15\]](#).

AArch64 System register MDSCR_EL1 bit [12] is architecturally mapped to AArch32 System register [DBGDSCRint\[12\]](#).

AArch64 System register MDSCR_EL1 bits [5:2] are architecturally mapped to AArch32 System register [DBGDSCRint\[5:2\]](#).

AArch64 System register MDSCR_EL1 bit [40] is architecturally mapped to External register [EDSCR2\[8\]](#) when FEAT_Debugv8p9 is implemented.

Attributes

MDSCR_EL1 is a 64-bit register.

Field descriptions

63	62	61	60	59	58	57	56	55	54	53	52	51	50	49	48	47	46	45	44	43	42	41	40	39	38	37	36
RES0																											
TF	ORXfull	TXfull	RES0	RXO	TXU	RES0	INTdis	TD	RES0	SC2	RAZ/WI	MDE	HDE	KDE	TDCC	RES0				ERR							
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

Bits [63:35]

Reserved, res0.

EnSPM, bit [34]**When FEAT_SPMU is implemented:**

Enable access to System PMU registers. When disabled, accesses to System PMU registers generate a trap to EL1.

EnSPM	Meaning
0b0	Accesses of the specified System PMU registers at EL0 are trapped to EL1, unless the instruction generates a higher priority exception.
0b1	Accesses of the specified System PMU registers are not trapped by this mechanism.

In AArch64 state, the instructions affected by this control are: MRS and MSR accesses to [SPMCNTENCLR_EL0](#), [SPMCNTENSET_EL0](#), [SPMCR_EL0](#), [SPMEVCNTR<n>_EL0](#), [SPMEVFILT2R<n>_EL0](#), [SPMEVFILTR<n>_EL0](#), [SPMEVTYPER<n>_EL0](#), [SPMOVSCCLR_EL0](#), [SPMOVSSSET_EL0](#), and [SPMSELR_EL0](#).

Unless the instruction generates a higher priority exception:

- If EL2 is implemented and enabled in the current Security state, and [HCR_EL2.TGE](#) is 1, then trapped instructions generate an exception to EL2.
- Otherwise, trapped instructions generate an exception to EL1.

Trapped instructions are reported using EC syndrome value 0x18.

The reset behavior of this field is:

- On a Warm reset, this field resets to an architecturally unknown value.

Otherwise:

Reserved, res0.

TTA, bit [33]**When FEAT_TRBE_EXT is implemented or FEAT_ETEv1p3 is implemented:**

Trap Trace Accesses. Used for save/restore of [EDSCR2.TTA](#).

When [OSLSR_EL1.OSLK](#) is 0, software must treat this field as UNK/SBZP.

When [OSLSR_EL1.OSLK](#) is 1, this field holds the value of [EDSCR2.TTA](#). Reads and writes of this field are indirect accesses to [EDSCR2.TTA](#).

The reset behavior of this field is:

- On a Cold reset, this field resets to 0.

Accessing this field has the following behavior:

- When `OSLSR_EL1.OSLK == 0`, access to this field is **RO**.
- Otherwise, access to this field is **RW**.

Otherwise:

Reserved, res0.

EBWE, bit [32]

When FEAT_Debugv8p9 is implemented:

Extended Breakpoint and Watchpoint Enable. Enables use of additional breakpoints or watchpoints.

EBWE	Meaning
0b0	Each Breakpoint <n> and watchpoint <n>, where n is greater than or equal to 16, is disabled, and the Effective value of MDSELR_EL1.BANK is zero.
0b1	Breakpoints and watchpoints are not affected by this mechanism.

It is implementation defined whether this field is implemented or is res0 when 16 or fewer breakpoints are implemented, 16 or fewer watchpoints are implemented, and [MDSELR_EL1](#) is implemented as RAZ/WI.

This field is ignored by the PE and treated as zero when all of the following are true:

- Any of the following are true:
 - EL3 is implemented and [MDCR_EL3.EBWE](#) is 0.
 - EL2 is implemented and enabled in the current Security state, and [MDCR_EL2.EBWE](#) is 0.
- `HaltOnBreakpointOrWatchpoint()` is FALSE.

The reset behavior of this field is:

- On a Cold reset, this field resets to 0.

Otherwise:

Reserved, res0.

TFO, bit [31]

When FEAT_TRF is implemented:

Trace Filter override. Used for save/restore of [EDSCR.TFO](#).

When [OSLSR_EL1.OSLK](#) == 0, software must treat this bit as UNK/SBZP.

When [OSLSR_EL1.OSLK](#) == 1, this bit holds the value of [EDSCR.TFO](#). Reads and writes of this bit are indirect accesses to [EDSCR.TFO](#).

Accessing this field has the following behavior:

- When [OSLSR_EL1.OSLK](#) == 1, access to this field is **RW**.
- When [OSLSR_EL1.OSLK](#) == 0, access to this field is **RO**.

Otherwise:

Reserved, res0.

RXfull, bit [30]

Used for save/restore of [EDSCR.RXfull](#).

When [OSLSR_EL1.OSLK](#) == 0, software must treat this bit as UNK/SBZP.

When [OSLSR_EL1.OSLK](#) == 1, this bit holds the value of [EDSCR.RXfull](#). Reads and writes of this bit are indirect accesses to [EDSCR.RXfull](#).

The architected behavior of this field determines the value it returns after a reset.

Accessing this field has the following behavior:

- When [OSLSR_EL1.OSLK](#) == 1, access to this field is **RW**.
- When [OSLSR_EL1.OSLK](#) == 0, access to this field is **RO**.

TXfull, bit [29]

Used for save/restore of [EDSCR.TXfull](#).

When [OSLSR_EL1.OSLK](#) == 0, software must treat this bit as UNK/SBZP.

When [OSLSR_EL1.OSLK](#) == 1, this bit holds the value of [EDSCR.TXfull](#). Reads and writes of this bit are indirect accesses to [EDSCR.TXfull](#).

The architected behavior of this field determines the value it returns after a reset.

Accessing this field has the following behavior:

- When `OSLSR_EL1.OSLK == 1`, access to this field is **RW**.
- When `OSLSR_EL1.OSLK == 0`, access to this field is **RO**.

Bit [28]

Reserved, res0.

RXO, bit [27]

Used for save/restore of [EDSCR](#).RXO.

When [OSLSR_EL1](#).OSLK == 0, software must treat this bit as UNK/SBZP.

When [OSLSR_EL1](#).OSLK == 1, this bit holds the value of [EDSCR](#).RXO. Reads and writes of this bit are indirect accesses to [EDSCR](#).RXO.

When [OSLSR_EL1](#).OSLK == 1, if bits [27,6] of the value written to MDSCR_EL1 are {1,0}, that is, the RXO bit is 1 and the ERR bit is 0, the PE sets [EDSCR](#).{RXO,ERR} to unknown values.

The architected behavior of this field determines the value it returns after a reset.

Accessing this field has the following behavior:

- When `OSLSR_EL1.OSLK == 1`, access to this field is **RW**.
- When `OSLSR_EL1.OSLK == 0`, access to this field is **RO**.

TXU, bit [26]

Used for save/restore of [EDSCR](#).TXU.

When [OSLSR_EL1](#).OSLK == 0, software must treat this bit as UNK/SBZP.

When [OSLSR_EL1](#).OSLK == 1, this bit holds the value of [EDSCR](#).TXU. Reads and writes of this bit are indirect accesses to [EDSCR](#).TXU.

When [OSLSR_EL1](#).OSLK == 1, if bits [26,6] of the value written to MDSCR_EL1 are {1,0}, that is, the TXU bit is 1 and the ERR bit is 0, the PE sets [EDSCR](#).{TXU,ERR} to unknown values.

The architected behavior of this field determines the value it returns after a reset.

Accessing this field has the following behavior:

- When `OSLSR_EL1.OSLK == 1`, access to this field is **RW**.
- When `OSLSR_EL1.OSLK == 0`, access to this field is **RO**.

Bits [25:24]

Reserved, res0.

INTdis, bits [23:22]

Used for save/restore of [EDSCR](#).INTdis.

When [OSLSR_EL1](#).OSLK == 0, and software must treat this bit as UNK/SBZP.

When [OSLSR_EL1](#).OSLK == 1, this field holds the value of [EDSCR](#).INTdis. Reads and writes of this field are indirect accesses to [EDSCR](#).INTdis.

The architected behavior of this field determines the value it returns after a reset.

Accessing this field has the following behavior:

- When `OSLSR_EL1.OSLK == 1`, access to this field is **RW**.
- When `OSLSR_EL1.OSLK == 0`, access to this field is **RO**.

TDA, bit [21]

Used for save/restore of [EDSCR](#).TDA.

When [OSLSR_EL1](#).OSLK == 0, software must treat this bit as UNK/SBZP.

When [OSLSR_EL1](#).OSLK == 1, this bit holds the value of [EDSCR](#).TDA. Reads and writes of this bit are indirect accesses to [EDSCR](#).TDA.

The architected behavior of this field determines the value it returns after a reset.

Accessing this field has the following behavior:

- When `OSLSR_EL1.OSLK == 1`, access to this field is **RW**.
- When `OSLSR_EL1.OSLK == 0`, access to this field is **RO**.

Bit [20]

Reserved, res0.

SC2, bit [19]

When FEAT_PCSRv8 is implemented, FEAT_VHE is implemented and FEAT_PCSRv8p2 is not implemented:

Used for save/restore of [EDSCR](#).SC2.

When [OSLSR_EL1](#).OSLK == 0, software must treat this bit as UNK/SBZP.

When [OSLSR_EL1](#).OSLK == 1, this bit holds the value of [EDSCR](#).SC2. Reads and writes of this bit are indirect accesses to [EDSCR](#).SC2.

Accessing this field has the following behavior:

- When [OSLSR_EL1](#).OSLK == 1, access to this field is **RW**.
- When [OSLSR_EL1](#).OSLK == 0, access to this field is **RO**.

Otherwise:

Reserved, res0.

Bits [18:16]

Reserved, RAZ/WI.

Hardware must implement this field as RAZ/WI. Software must not rely on the register reading as zero, and must use a read-modify-write sequence to write to the register.

MDE, bit [15]

Monitor debug events. Enable Breakpoint, Watchpoint, and Vector Catch exceptions.

MDE	Meaning
0b0	Breakpoint, Watchpoint, and Vector Catch exceptions disabled.
0b1	Breakpoint, Watchpoint, and Vector Catch exceptions enabled.

The reset behavior of this field is:

- On a Warm reset, this field resets to an architecturally unknown value.

HDE, bit [14]

Used for save/restore of [EDSCR](#).HDE.

When [OSLSR_EL1](#).OSLK == 0, software must treat this bit as UNK/SBZP.

When [OSLSR_EL1](#).OSLK == 1, this bit holds the value of [EDSCR.HDE](#). Reads and writes of this bit are indirect accesses to [EDSCR.HDE](#).

The architected behavior of this field determines the value it returns after a reset.

Accessing this field has the following behavior:

- When [OSLSR_EL1](#).OSLK == 1, access to this field is **RW**.
- When [OSLSR_EL1](#).OSLK == 0, access to this field is **RO**.

KDE, bit [13]

Local (kernel) debug enable. If EL_D is using AArch64, enable debug exceptions within EL_D . Permitted values are:

KDE	Meaning
0b0	Debug exceptions, other than Breakpoint Instruction exceptions, disabled within EL_D .
0b1	All debug exceptions enabled within EL_D .

res0 if EL_D is using AArch32.

The reset behavior of this field is:

- On a Warm reset, this field resets to an architecturally unknown value.

TDCC, bit [12]

Traps EL0 accesses to the Debug Communication Channel (DCC) registers to EL1, or to EL2 when it is implemented and enabled for the current Security state and [HCR_EL2](#).TGE is 1, from both Execution states, as follows:

- In AArch64 state, MRS or MSR accesses to the following DCC registers are trapped, reported using EC syndrome value 0x18:
 - [MDCCSR_EL0](#).
 - If not in Debug state, [DBGDTR_EL0](#), [DBGDTRTX_EL0](#), and [DBGDTRRX_EL0](#).
- In AArch32 state, MRC or MCR accesses to the following registers are trapped, reported using EC syndrome value 0x05.
 - [DBGDSCRint](#), [DBGDIDR](#), [DBGDSAR](#), [DBGDRAR](#).
 - If not in Debug state, [DBGDTRRXint](#), and [DBGDTRTXint](#).

- In AArch32 state, LDC access to [DBGDTRRXint](#) and STC access to [DBGDTRTXint](#) are trapped, reported using EC syndrome value 0x06.
- In AArch32 state, MRRC accesses to [DBGDSAR](#) and [DBGDRAR](#) are trapped, reported using EC syndrome value 0x0C.

TDCC	Meaning
0b0	This control does not cause any instructions to be trapped.
0b1	EL0 using AArch64: EL0 accesses to the AArch64 DCC registers are trapped. EL0 using AArch32: EL0 accesses to the AArch32 DCC registers are trapped.

The reset behavior of this field is:

- On a Warm reset, this field resets to an architecturally unknown value.

Bits [11:7]

Reserved, res0.

ERR, bit [6]

Used for save/restore of [EDSCR](#).ERR.

When [OSLSR_EL1](#).OSLK == 0, software must treat this bit as UNK/SBZP.

When [OSLSR_EL1](#).OSLK == 1, this bit holds the value of [EDSCR](#).ERR. Reads and writes of this bit are indirect accesses to [EDSCR](#).ERR.

The architected behavior of this field determines the value it returns after a reset.

Accessing this field has the following behavior:

- When [OSLSR_EL1](#).OSLK == 1, access to this field is **RW**.
- When [OSLSR_EL1](#).OSLK == 0, access to this field is **RO**.

Bits [5:1]

Reserved, res0.

SS, bit [0]

Software step control bit. If EL_D is using AArch64, enable Software step. Permitted values are:

SS	Meaning
0b0	Software step disabled
0b1	Software step enabled.

res0 if EL_D is using AArch32.

The reset behavior of this field is:

- On a Warm reset, this field resets to an architecturally unknown value.

Accessing MDSCR_EL1

Accesses to this register use the following encodings in the System register encoding space:

MRS <Xt>, MDSCR_EL1

op0	op1	CRn	CRm	op2
0b10	0b000	0b0000	0b0010	0b010

```
if PSTATE.EL == EL0 then
    UNDEFINED;
elsif PSTATE.EL == EL1 then
    if Halted() && HaveEL(EL3) && EDSCR.SDD == '1'
    && boolean IMPLEMENTATION_DEFINED "EL3 trap priority
    when SDD == '1'" && MDSCR_EL3.TDA == '1' then
        UNDEFINED;
    elsif EL2Enabled() &&
    IsFeatureImplemented(FEAT_FGT) && (!HaveEL(EL3) ||
    SCR_EL3.FGTEn == '1') && HDFGRTR_EL2.MDSCR_EL1 ==
    '1' then
        AArch64.SystemAccessTrap(EL2, 0x18);
    elsif EL2Enabled() && MDSCR_EL2.<TDE,TDA> != '00'
    then
        AArch64.SystemAccessTrap(EL2, 0x18);
    elsif HaveEL(EL3) && MDSCR_EL3.TDA == '1' then
        if Halted() && EDSCR.SDD == '1' then
            UNDEFINED;
        else
            AArch64.SystemAccessTrap(EL3, 0x18);
        elsif EL2Enabled() && HCR_EL2.<NV2,NV> == '11'
    then
        X[t, 64] = NVMem[0x158];
    else
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        X[t, 64] = MDSCR_EL1;
    elsif PSTATE.EL == EL2 then
        if Halted() && HaveEL(EL3) && EDSCR.SDD == '1'
        && boolean IMPLEMENTATION_DEFINED "EL3 trap priority
    when SDD == '1'" && MDCR_EL3.TDA == '1' then
            UNDEFINED;
        elsif HaveEL(EL3) && MDCR_EL3.TDA == '1' then
            if Halted() && EDSCR.SDD == '1' then
                UNDEFINED;
            else
                AArch64.SystemAccessTrap(EL3, 0x18);
            else
                X[t, 64] = MDSCR_EL1;
    elsif PSTATE.EL == EL3 then
        X[t, 64] = MDSCR_EL1;

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MSR MDSCR_EL1, <Xt>

op0	op1	CRn	CRm	op2
0b10	0b000	0b0000	0b0010	0b010

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    if PSTATE.EL == EL0 then
        UNDEFINED;
    elsif PSTATE.EL == EL1 then
        if Halted() && HaveEL(EL3) && EDSCR.SDD == '1'
        && boolean IMPLEMENTATION_DEFINED "EL3 trap priority
    when SDD == '1'" && MDCR_EL3.TDA == '1' then
            UNDEFINED;
        elsif EL2Enabled() &&
    IsFeatureImplemented(FEAT_FGT) && (!HaveEL(EL3) ||
    SCR_EL3.FGTEn == '1') && HDFGWTR_EL2.MDSCR_EL1 ==
    '1' then
            AArch64.SystemAccessTrap(EL2, 0x18);
        elsif EL2Enabled() && MDCR_EL2.<TDE,TDA> != '00'
    then
            AArch64.SystemAccessTrap(EL2, 0x18);
        elsif HaveEL(EL3) && MDCR_EL3.TDA == '1' then
            if Halted() && EDSCR.SDD == '1' then
                UNDEFINED;
            else
                AArch64.SystemAccessTrap(EL3, 0x18);
        elsif EL2Enabled() && HCR_EL2.<NV2,NV> == '11'
    then
            NVMem[0x158] = X[t, 64];
        else
            MDSCR_EL1 = X[t, 64];
    elsif PSTATE.EL == EL2 then
        if Halted() && HaveEL(EL3) && EDSCR.SDD == '1'
        && boolean IMPLEMENTATION_DEFINED "EL3 trap priority
    when SDD == '1'" && MDCR_EL3.TDA == '1' then
            UNDEFINED;
        elsif HaveEL(EL3) && MDCR_EL3.TDA == '1' then
            if Halted() && EDSCR.SDD == '1' then

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        UNDEFINED;
    else
        AArch64.SystemAccessTrap(EL3, 0x18);
    else
        MDSCR_EL1 = X[t, 64];
elseif PSTATE.EL == EL3 then
    MDSCR_EL1 = X[t, 64];
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