# Soldering Steps and Precaution for Joystick PCB

- **⚠** Limit Soldering iron contact time to 5 seconds per pad to prevent damage.
- ▲ Apply small amount of flux on pad where soldering has to be done.
- **⚠** Set soldering temperature to 300 °C.

#### **Controller PCB Soldering.**

- 1) Check your received PCB for any possible shorts in routing before going for soldering.
- 2) First place the components on top side and do soldering in bottom side.



**Bottom Side** 

Top Side

**Note:** The copper track is located on the **bottom side** of the PCB, and all soldering must be done on this side. The **top side** is reserved for placing components, as shown in the image above.

#### **Step-by-Step Soldering Instructions:**

## 1. Begin Soldering Main Components:

- Start by soldering the general-purpose diode, switch, LM7805, and LM1117T voltage regulators.
- o After soldering, connect an **8V power supply** to the power connector.
- Check the output voltage of the LM1117T it should be 3.3V.
- o If the voltage is incorrect, **debug the circuit** and resolve the issue before proceeding.
- Once 3.3V is confirmed, continue with the remaining components.

## 2. Solder Passive Components:

- o Proceed to solder resistors, LEDs, and capacitors.
- Note: Pay attention to the anode and cathode of LEDs and polarity of electrolytic capacitors.

#### 3. Joystick Placement:

- o Place and solder the **spring joystick** on the **right-hand side** of the board.
- The free joystick should be placed on the left-hand side.

#### 4. ESP32 Header:

o Solder **15-pin female headers** on **both sides** for the ESP32 module.

#### 5. **OLED Connection:**

- o **Do NOT** use the 4-pin header for the OLED on the PCB.
- o Instead, solder **4 wires** directly to the PCB for OLED connections.
- The other ends of these wires will be connected to a 4-pin header, where the OLED display will be attached.

## 6. Wiring for External Components:

o Use multi-strand (flexible) wire for connecting the OLED, two switches, and battery.

## 7. Final Check:

- o After soldering, **inspect all joints carefully** to ensure proper connections.
- Use a multi-meter to check for shorts and confirm correct soldering before powering the circuit.