

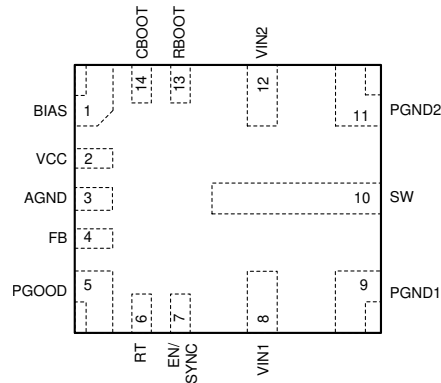


**ABSTRACT**

The LM61430-Q1 evaluation module (EVM) is designed to help customers evaluate the performance of the LM61430-Q1 synchronous, step-down voltage converter. This EVM implements the LM61430-Q1 in a 14-pin wettable flanks Hotrod™ package, as shown in Table 1-1. The EVM is configured for 5-V output voltage with DC load current up to 3 A. The EVM is optimized for small solution size and low noise.

**Table 1-1. Device and Package Configurations**

| CONVERTER | IC         | PACKAGE  |
|-----------|------------|--|
| U1        | LM61430-Q1 | 14-pin wettable flanks Hotrod 4.0-mm × 3.5-mm × 1.0-mm package |



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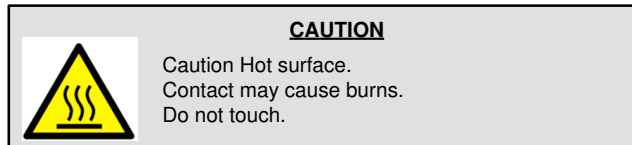
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## 1 Quick Start

1. Connect the voltage supply between the VIN\_EMI and GND\_EMI pins.
2. Connect the load of the converter between the VOUT and GND connectors.
3. Set the supply voltage at an appropriate level between 6 V to 36 V. Set the current limit of the supply above 3 A. The 6-V minimum makes sure there is sufficient headroom on maximum dropout voltage.
4. Turn on the power supply. Monitor the output voltage with sense points. The maximum load current must be below 3 A with the LM61430-Q1.

See [Figure 4-1](#) for connector locations.



## 2 Detailed Descriptions

This section describes the connectors on the EVM and how to properly set up the EVM.

|                |   |
|----------------|---|
| <b>VOUT</b>    | 5-V output voltage of the converter<br>Connect the loading device to the board with short and thick wires.  |
| <b>GND</b>     | Ground of the converter<br>Connect to supply and load grounds with short and thick wires. "Clip-on" GND connectors are for signal measurement and probing.  |
| <b>VIN_EMI</b> | Input voltage to input filter of the converter<br>Connect with short and thick wires.   |
| <b>GND_EMI</b> | Ground return for the input filter<br>Connect with short and thick wires.   |
| <b>CLK</b>     | For synchronization clock input<br>The buck PWM output is synchronized to the external clock when applied.  |
| <b>EN</b>      | To monitor the EN pin or input EN control signal  |
| <b>PG</b>      | To monitor the PGOOD/RESET pin<br>The PGOOD pin of the device is an open-drain output and it is pulled up to V <sub>OUT</sub> when in regulation and pulled to GND when not.  |
| <b>VINJ</b>    | To aid when making bode plots<br>There is injection resistor, R <sub>inj</sub> , between VOUT and this node. Transformer-based stimulus can be applied across R <sub>inj</sub> when taking measurements for bode plots. |
| <b>VOUTS</b>   | Kelvin sensing for VOUT<br>For accurate load and line regulation measurements, VOUTS must be utilized. There is non-negligible I-R drop at maximum load between the output capacitor and VOUT connector.                |

### 3 Schematic

The bill of materials for the EVM is tabulated in [Table 6-1](#). In addition, [Figure 3-1](#) shows the corresponding schematic.

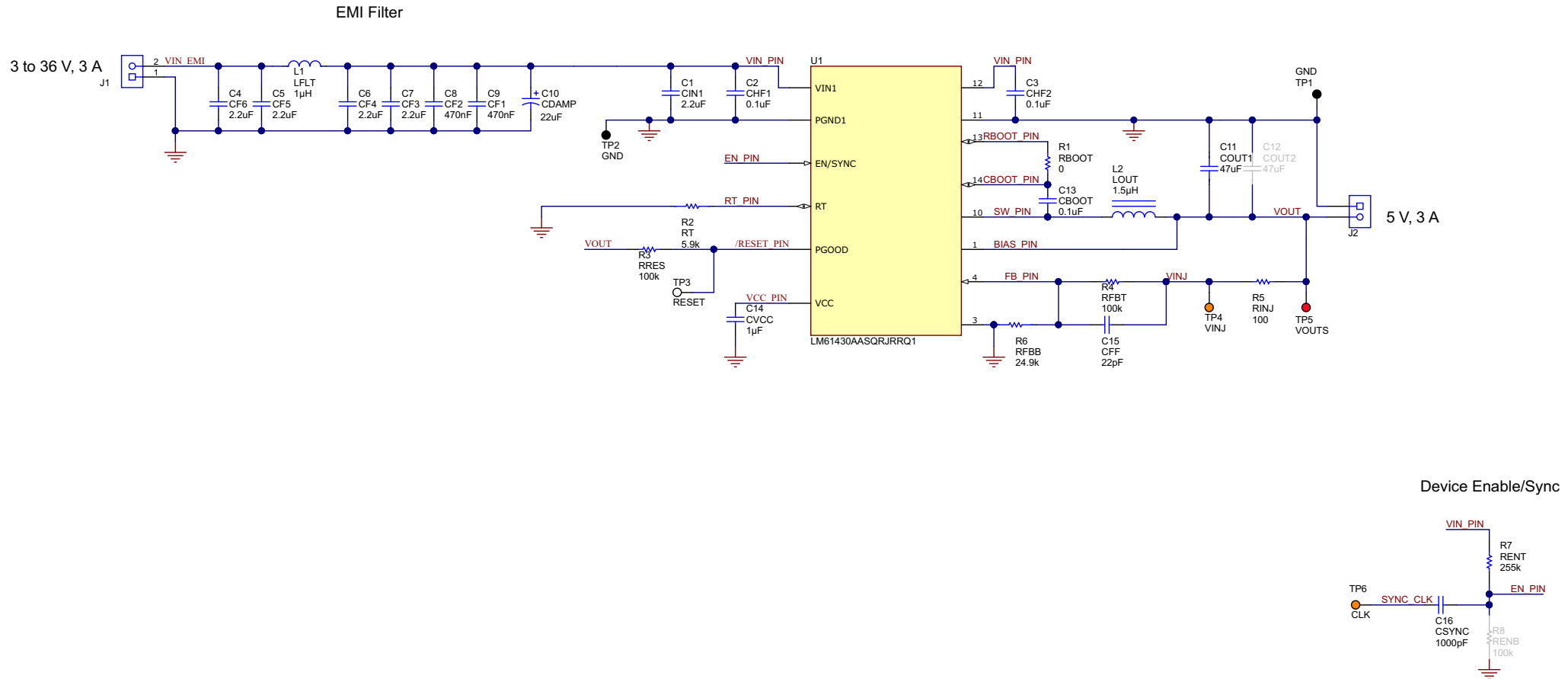


Figure 3-1. LM61430EVM-AS-2MHZ Schematic

## 4 Board Layout

The PCB consists of a 4-layer design. There are 2-oz copper planes on the top and bottom and 1-oz copper mid-layer planes to dissipate heat with an array of thermal vias to connect to all four layers.

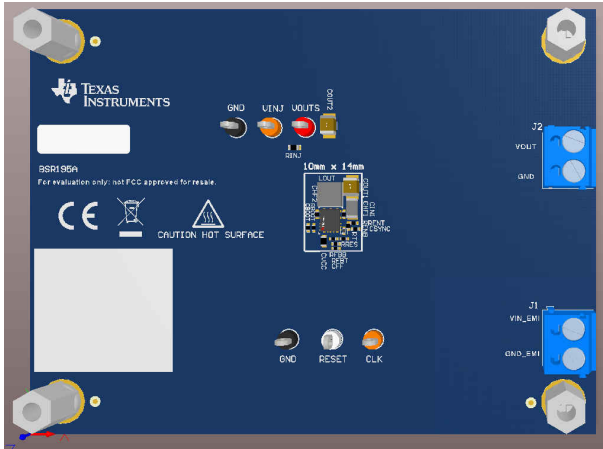


Figure 4-1. Top 3-D View

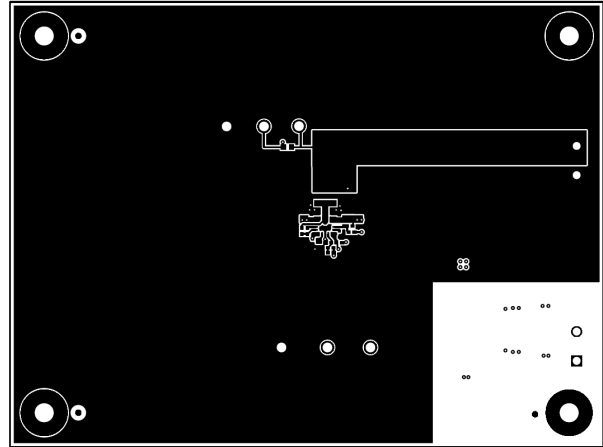


Figure 4-2. Top Layer

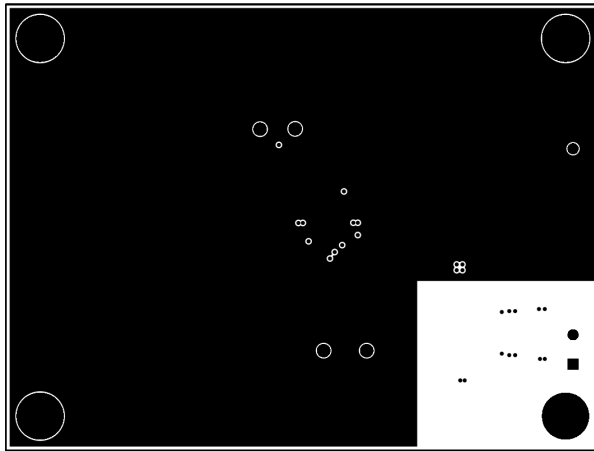


Figure 4-3. Signal Layer 1 – Ground Plane

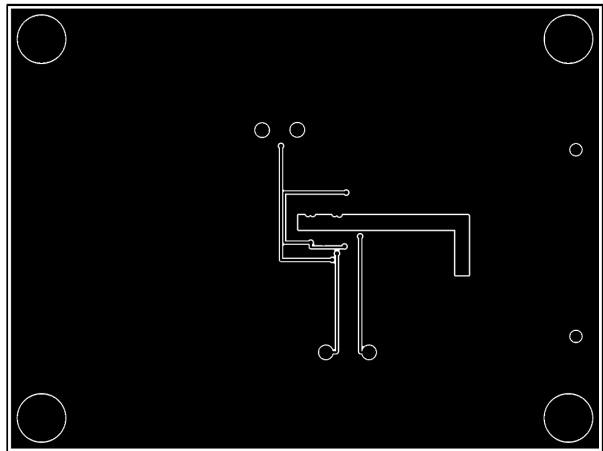


Figure 4-4. Signal Layer 2 – Routing

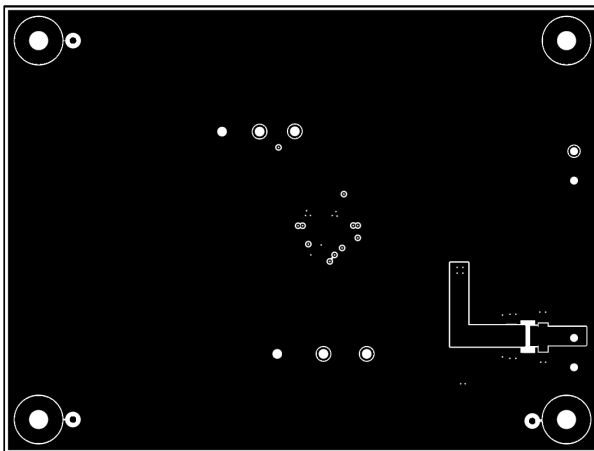


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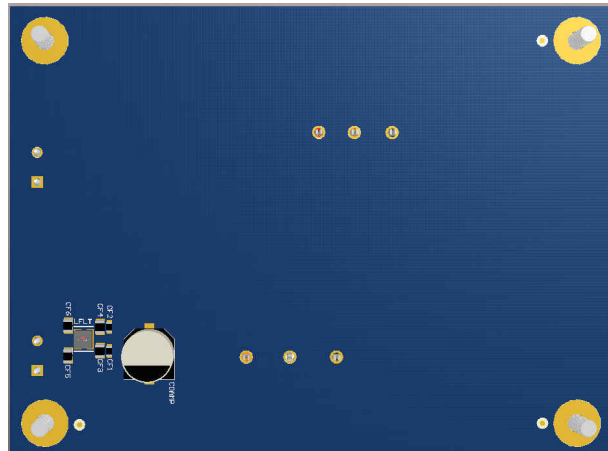


Figure 4-6. Bottom 3-D View

## 5 Thermal Performance

IC top case measured with 13.5-V input, 5-V output, and 3-A load.

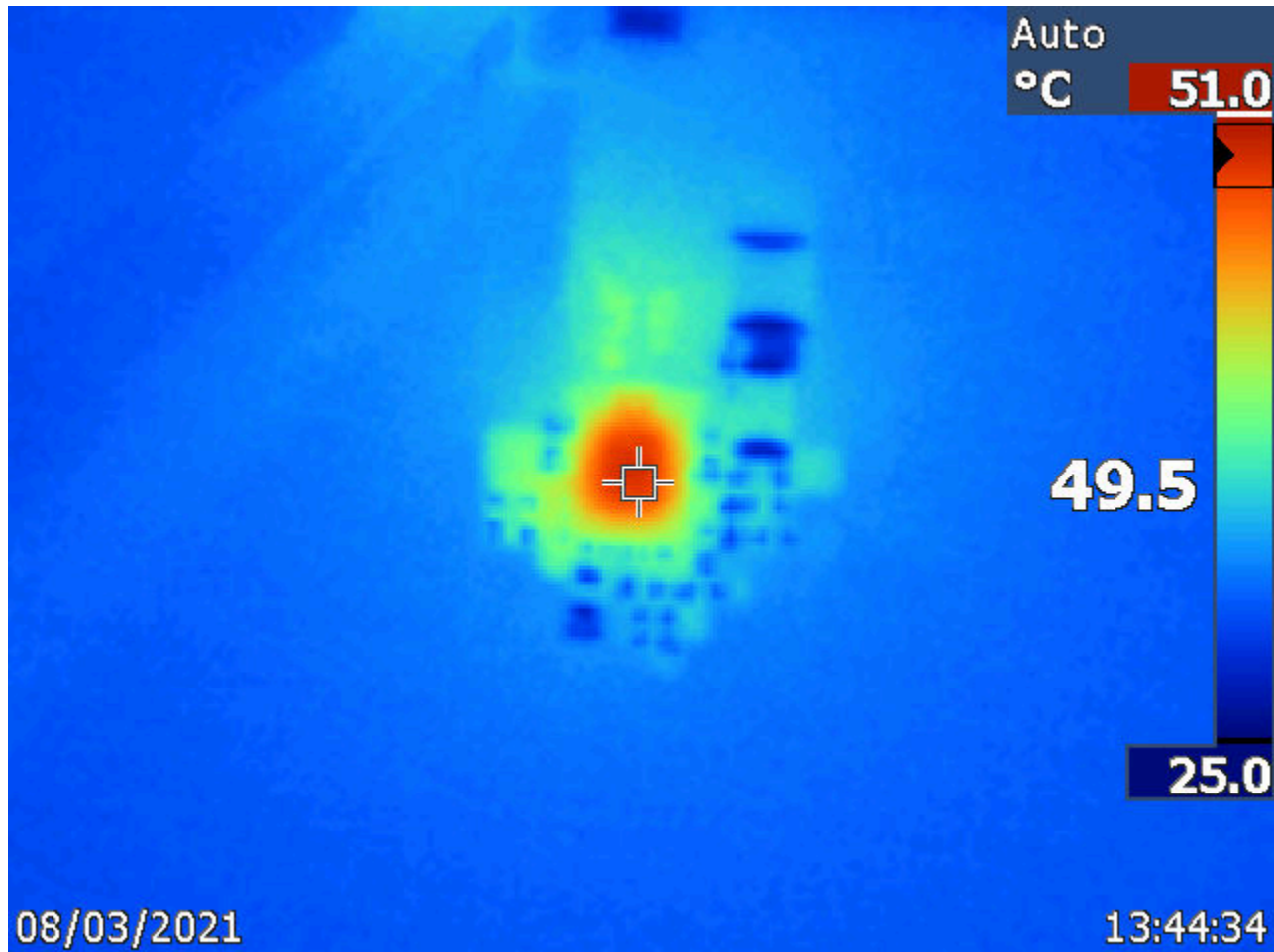


Figure 5-1. Thermal Performance

### 5.1 Additional Performance Curves

Please reference the [LM61430-Q1 3-V to 36-V, Low EMI Synchronous Step-Down Converter Data Sheet](#) for additional IC performance curves. The data would be located in the application's section of the datasheet being performed on the LM61430EVM-AS-2MHZ.

## 6 Bill of Materials (BOM)

**Table 6-1. LM61430EVM-AS-2MHZ Bill of Materials**

| DESIGNATOR                         | QUANTITY | VALUE        | DESCRIPTION   | PACKAGEREFERENCE                         | PART NUMBER          | MANUFACTURER        |
|------------------------------------|----------|--------------|---|--|----------------------|---------------------|
| C1                                 | 1        | 2.2 $\mu$ F  | CAP, CERM, 2.2 $\mu$ F, 50 V, $\pm$ 10%, X7R, AEC-Q200 Grade 1, 1206          | 1206                                     | GCM31CR71H225KA55L   | MuRata              |
| C2, C3, C13                        | 3        | 0.1 $\mu$ F  | CAP, CERM, 0.1 $\mu$ F, 50 V, $\pm$ 10%, X7R, AEC-Q200 Grade 1, 0402          | 0402                                     | GCM155R71H104KE02D   | MuRata              |
| C4, C5, C6, C7                     | 4        | 2.2 $\mu$ F  | CAP, CERM, 2.2 $\mu$ F, 50 V, $\pm$ 10%, X7R, AEC-Q200 Grade 1, 0805          | 0805                                     | CGA4J3X7R1H225K125AE | TDK                 |
| C8, C9                             | 2        | 0.47 $\mu$ F | CAP, CERM, 0.47 $\mu$ F, 50 V, $\pm$ 10%, X7R, AEC-Q200 Grade 1, 0603         | 0603                                     | CGA3E3X7R1H474K080AB | TDK                 |
| C10                                | 1        | 22 $\mu$ F   | CAP, AL, 22 $\mu$ F, 50 V, $\pm$ 20%, 0.7 $\Omega$ , SMD                      | SMT Radial E                             | EEE-FC1H220P         | Panasonic           |
| C11                                | 1        | 47 $\mu$ F   | Multilayer Ceramic Capacitor 47 $\mu$ F 20% 10 V 1210 T/R                     | 1210                                     | CGA6P1X7S1A476M250AC | TDK                 |
| C14                                | 1        | 1 $\mu$ F    | CAP, CERM, 1 $\mu$ F, 16 V, $\pm$ 10%, X7R, 0603                              | 0603                                     | 885012206052         | Würth Elektronik    |
| C15                                | 1        | 22 pF        | CAP, CERM, 22 pF, 50 V, $\pm$ 5%, C0G/NP0, AEC-Q200 Grade 1, 0402             | 0402                                     | CGA2B2NP01H220J050BA | TDK                 |
| C16                                | 1        | 1000 pF      | CAP, CERM, 1000 pF, 50 V, $\pm$ 10%, X7R, AEC-Q200 Grade 1, 0402              | 0402                                     | CGA2B2X7R1H102K050BA | TDK                 |
| FID1, FID2, FID3, FID4, FID5, FID6 | 6        |              | Fiducial mark. There is nothing to buy or mount.                              | N/A                                      | N/A                  | N/A                 |
| H1, H2, H3, H4                     | 4        |              | Machine Screw, Round, #4-40 x 1/4, Nylon, Philips panhead                     | Screw                                    | NY PMS 440 0025 PH   | B&F Fastener Supply |
| H5, H6, H7, H8                     | 4        |              |   | Standoff                                 | 1902C                | Keystone            |
| J1, J2                             | 2        |              | Terminal Block, 5 mm, 2 $\times$ 1, Tin, TH                                   | Terminal Block, 5 mm, 2 $\times$ 1, TH   | 691 101 710 002      | Würth Elektronik    |
| L1                                 | 1        |              | 1- $\mu$ H Shielded Molded Inductor 4-A 32-m $\Omega$ , Max 2-SMD             | SMD2                                     | 74438336010          | Würth Electronics   |
| L2                                 | 1        | 1.5 $\mu$ H  | Inductor, Shielded, Metal Composite, 1.5 $\mu$ H, 5.8 A, 0.019 $\Omega$ , SMD | 4.1 mm $\times$ 4.1 mm                   | 74438356015          | Würth Elektronik    |
| LBL1                               | 1        |              |   | PCB Label 0.650 inch $\times$ 0.200 inch | THT-14-423-10        | Brady               |

**Table 6-1. LM61430EVM-AS-2MHZ Bill of Materials (continued)**

| DESIGNATOR | QUANTITY | VALUE      | DESCRIPTION   | PACKAGEREFERENCE              | PART NUMBER          | MANUFACTURER      |
|------------|----------|------------|---|-------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| R1         | 1        | 0          | RES, 0, 0%, 0.2 W, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, 0402   | 0402                          | CRCW04020000Z0EDHP   | Vishay-Dale       |
| R2         | 1        | 5.9 k      | 5.9 k $\Omega$ , $\pm$ 1% 0.1W, 1/10W Chip Resistor 0402 (1005 Metric) Automotive AEC-Q200 Thick Film | 0402                          | ERJ-2RKF5901X        | Panasonic         |
| R3, R4     | 2        | 100 k      | RES, 100 k, 0.5%, 0.063 W, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, 0402   | 0402                          | CRCW0402100KDHP      | Vishay-Dale       |
| R5         | 1        | 100        | RES, 100, 1%, 0.1 W, 0603   | 0603                          | RC0603FR-07100RL     | Yageo             |
| R6         | 1        | 24.9 k     | 24.9 k $\Omega$ $\pm$ 1% 0.1 W, 1/10W Chip Resistor 0402 (1005 Metric) Automotive AEC-Q200 Thick Film | 0402                          | ERJ-2RKF2492X        | Panasonic         |
| R7         | 1        | 255 k      | RES, 255 k, 1%, 0.063 W, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, 0402   | 0402                          | CRCW0402255KFKED     | Vishay-Dale       |
| TP1, TP2   | 2        |            | Test Point, Multipurpose, Black, TH   | Black Multipurpose Testpoint  | 5011                 | Keystone          |
| TP3        | 1        |            | Test Point, Multipurpose, White, TH   | White Multipurpose Testpoint  | 5012                 | Keystone          |
| TP4, TP6   | 2        |            | Test Point, Multipurpose, Orange, TH  | Orange Multipurpose Testpoint | 5013                 | Keystone          |
| TP5        | 1        |            | Test Point, Multipurpose, Red, TH   | Red Multipurpose Testpoint    | 5010                 | Keystone          |
| U1         | 1        |            | 3-V to 36-V, Low-EMI Synchronous Step-Down Converter  | VQFN-HR14                     | LM61430AASQRJRRQ1    | Texas Instruments |
| C12        | 0        | 47 $\mu$ F | Multilayer Ceramic Capacitor 47- $\mu$ F 20%, 10-V, 1210 T/R  | 1210                          | CGA6P1X7S1A476M250AC | TDK               |
| R8         | 0        | 100 k      | RES, 100 k, 0.5%, 0.063 W, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, 0402   | 0402                          | CRCW0402100KDHP      | Vishay-Dale       |

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