
TRF4140-Q1 Abstract

Low-Frequency Transceiver for Immobilizer, Passive Start, Passive Entry, and Wireless Charging Systems

1 Device Overview

1.1 Features

- Benefits
 - Full Embedded Sequence Timing Controller Removes All Timing Constraints From the Host Controller
 - Automatic Sequence Repetition for Easy Implementation of Energy-Efficient Polling Systems
 - Separate Transmit and Receive Buffers Reduce Host Controller Performance Requirements
 - Embedded Sequence-Auto-Repeat Enables Low-Power Polling System Without Host Controller Interaction
 - Embedded Half-Duplex (HDX) and Full-Duplex (FDX) Protocol Support Enables Flexible and Scalable System Implementation
 - Sine-Wave Controlled Transmitter Stages Enable High-Power Remote Antenna Systems With Cable Lengths of Several Meters and Superior EMC Performance
 - Sequence Preloading With Event-Triggered Execution for Fastest System Reaction Time
 - Supports Wireless Charging Systems for Mobile Devices
- Features
 - Integrated Boost Controller for Wide Supply Voltage Range With Jump Start and Load Dump Protection
 - Antenna Driver With up to 20-V Peak-to-Peak Output Voltage Amplitude and up to 1-A Peak Antenna Current With Sine-Wave or Square-Wave Output
 - Flexible Host Control Interface
 - 3-Wire SPI
 - 4-Wire SPI
 - Configurable I/O Functions to Extend Controller Interface Such as an Interrupt Request Signal
 - Interface Voltage Supply Range From 2.5 V to 5.5 V
 - Ultra-Low Current Consumption in Sleep State
 - Fractional Synthesizer With 10-kHz to 500-kHz Frequency Range With 60-Hz Step Size
 - PSK and ASK Transmitter Stage
 - FSK and ASK Receiver and Demodulator
 - Four Programmable Half-Bridge MOSFET Antenna Drivers
 - Pairs of Half-Bridge Antenna Drivers can be Used Together as a Full-Bridge Driver to Double the Possible Output Voltage Amplitude
 - Antenna Current Measurement With 5-Bit Resolution for High Side and Low Side of Antenna Driver Stages
 - Programmable Antenna Driver Output Voltage in Sine-Wave Mode
 - Supply-Controlled Antenna Driver Voltage in Square-Wave Mode
 - Output Stage is Overload Protected for Overcurrent and Overtemperature Conditions
 - Antenna Driver Diagnostics: Short to Ground, Short to Antenna Driver Supply Voltage, and Open Load Detection
 - Supports On-Off Keying With Data Rates up to 70 kbps for Downlink and Uplink

1.2 Applications

- Car Access
- Immobilizers
- Passive Entry, Passive Start (PEPS)
- Wireless Power Charging (Qi, WPC, PMA)
- RFID Tag Readers (Full Duplex and Half Duplex)
- Other Applications Where the Physical Characteristics of Low-Frequency Radio are Beneficial



1.3 Description

NOTE

This document is an abbreviated version of the full TRF4140 data sheet. For access to the full data sheet, silicon errata, application report, and other support collateral, [complete the request form](#).

The TRF4140 low-frequency (LF) transceiver base station device is intended for immobilizer and PEPS systems to communicate with LF transponders, remote keyless entry, and passive entry devices and also to support wireless charging. The antenna driver stage consists of several MOSFET antenna drivers to send modulated LF transmissions and a receiver for detection and demodulation of LF transponder responses. The responses can be from either a half-duplex (HDX) transponder or a full-duplex (FDX) transponder. The HDX communication scheme uses frequency shift keying (FSK) as the uplink modulation. The FDX communication scheme uses amplitude shift keying (ASK) as the uplink modulation, also known as load modulation or backscatter modulation. The device can drive LF antennas to provide a wake-up and data sequence (PEPS), and it can also receive transponder responses on any or all channels (immobilizer).

The TRF4140 device lets the user implement an intelligent system, suitable for wireless power charging (WPC). The WPC system can periodically check the surrounding environment for available devices to be powered while minimizing idle power, monitor all communications from the mobile device being wirelessly powered, and control the output power that is applied to the transmitter coil according to information received from the powered device. The system can manage fault conditions associated with power transfer and can control status signals by using current measurement and LED-capable I/Os to indicate operating modes.

The TRF4140 device needs VDD supply (5 V) for its control blocks and to feed the integrated logic voltage regulator. The antenna driver is supplied separately by VDDH (4 V to 20 V). This voltage can be used to generate a sine-wave output signal for superior EMC performance, which is important for remote antenna applications with several meters of antenna cable.

The TRF4140 device manages all timings required for a communication sequence without the need for an accurate host controller interaction. In conjunction with transmit and receive FIFOs, the host controller is off-loaded from all timing-critical events, which enables easy host controller process scheduling. In particular, the host controller start-up process for an automotive body control module is tremendously relaxed by this base station device.

The TRF4140 device supports sequence preloading and sequence execution on external events to start the immobilization process exactly when the key fob is detected. So, delays due to configuration can be avoided in inconvenient time frames.

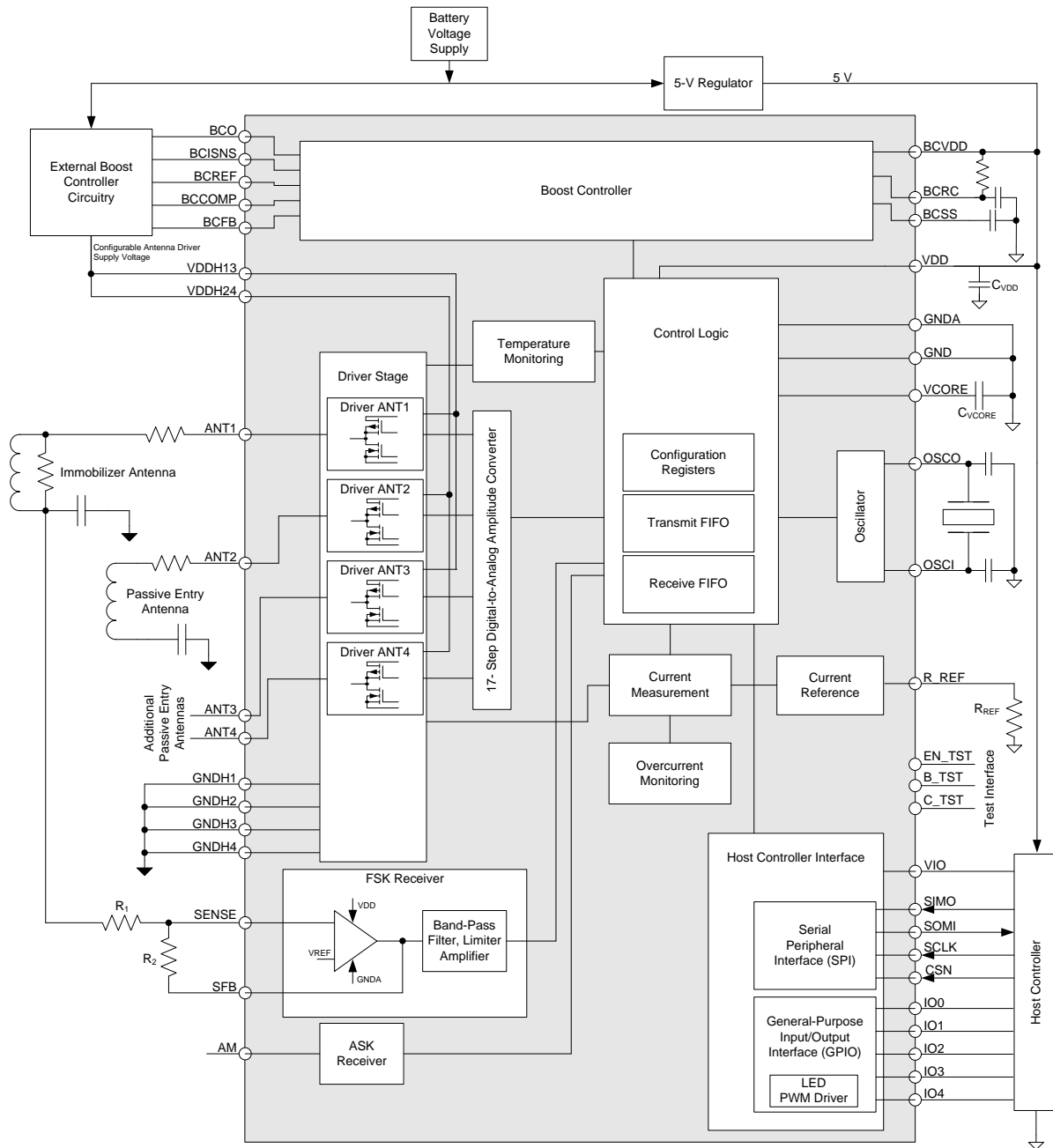
Device Information⁽¹⁾

| PART NUMBER | PACKAGE | BODY SIZE |
|-------------|------------|-------------|
| TRF4140QPHN | HTQFP (48) | 7 mm x 7 mm |

(1) For more information, see [Section 4, Mechanical Packaging and Orderable Information](#).

1.4 Functional Block Diagram

Figure 1-1 shows the functional block diagram and a typical application of TRF4140 and its function blocks.



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Figure 1-1. TRF4140-Q1 Block Diagram and Application Example

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2 Revision History

Changes from June 1, 2016 to June 27, 2016

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- Changed package designator to PHN in *Device Information* table **[2](#)**

3 Device and Documentation Support

3.1 Getting Started and Next Steps

For more information on the TI NFC/RFID devices and the tools and software that are available to help with your development, visit [Overview for NFC / RFID](#).

3.2 Device Nomenclature

Figure 3-1 provides a legend for reading the complete device name for any family member.

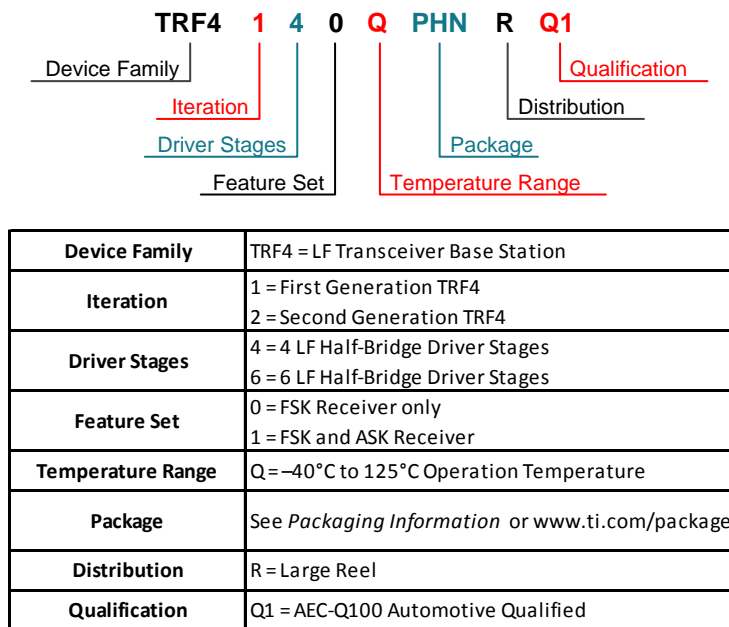


Figure 3-1. Device Nomenclature

3.3 Documentation Support

The following documents describe the TRF4140 device. Copies of these documents are available on the Internet at www.ti.com.

Receiving Notice of Document Updates

To receive notification of documentation updates—including silicon errata—go to the product folder for your device on ti.com (for example, [TRF4140-Q1](#)). In the upper right corner, click the "Alert me" button. This registers you to receive a weekly digest of product information that has changed (if any). For change details, check the revision history of any revised document.

Errata

[TRF4140 Errata Sheet](#) Describes known design exceptions and related workarounds of this device.

Application Reports

[Using a TRF4xxx Device as an LF Transceiver Base Station](#) Provides a variety of application advice for designing an LF base station with TRF4140 or TRF4260 devices.

3.4 Community Resources

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3.6 Electrostatic Discharge Caution



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ESD damage can range from subtle performance degradation to complete device failure. Precision integrated circuits may be more susceptible to damage because very small parametric changes could cause the device not to meet its published specifications.

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3.8 Glossary

[TI Glossary](#) This glossary lists and explains terms, acronyms, and definitions.

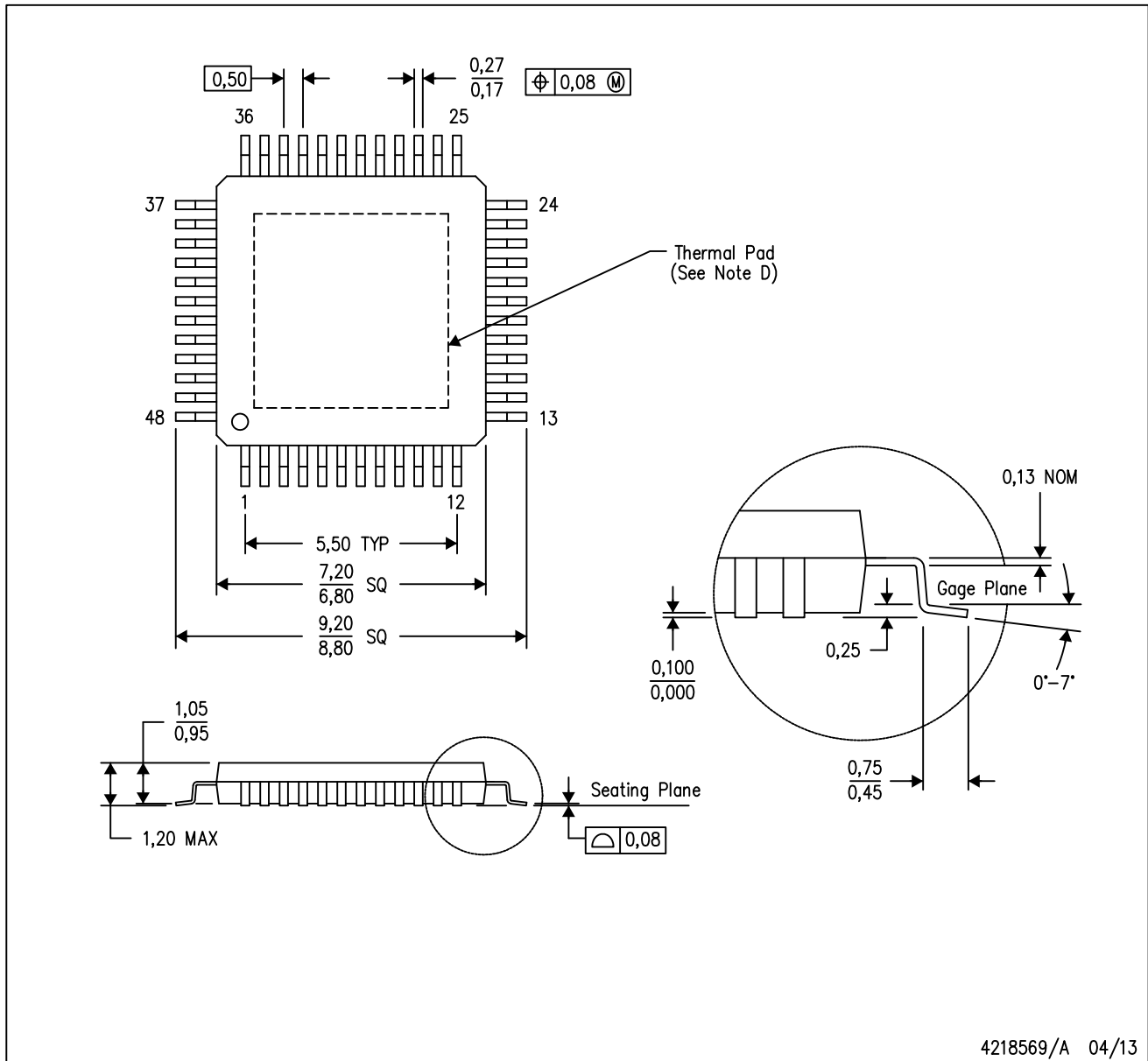
4 Mechanical, Packaging, and Orderable Information

The following pages include mechanical, packaging, and orderable information. This information is the most current data available for the designated devices. This data is subject to change without notice and revision of this document. For browser-based versions of this data sheet, refer to the left-hand navigation.

Mechanical Data

PHN (S-PQFP-G48)

PowerPAD™ PLASTIC QUAD FLATPACK



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- NOTES:
- A. All linear dimensions are in millimeters.
 - B. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
 - C. Body dimensions do not include mold flash or protrusion
 - D. This package is designed to be soldered to a thermal pad on the board. Refer to Technical Brief, PowerPad Thermally Enhanced Package, Texas Instruments Literature No. SLMA002 for information regarding recommended board layout. This document is available at www.ti.com <<http://www.ti.com>>.
 - E. Falls within JEDEC MS-026

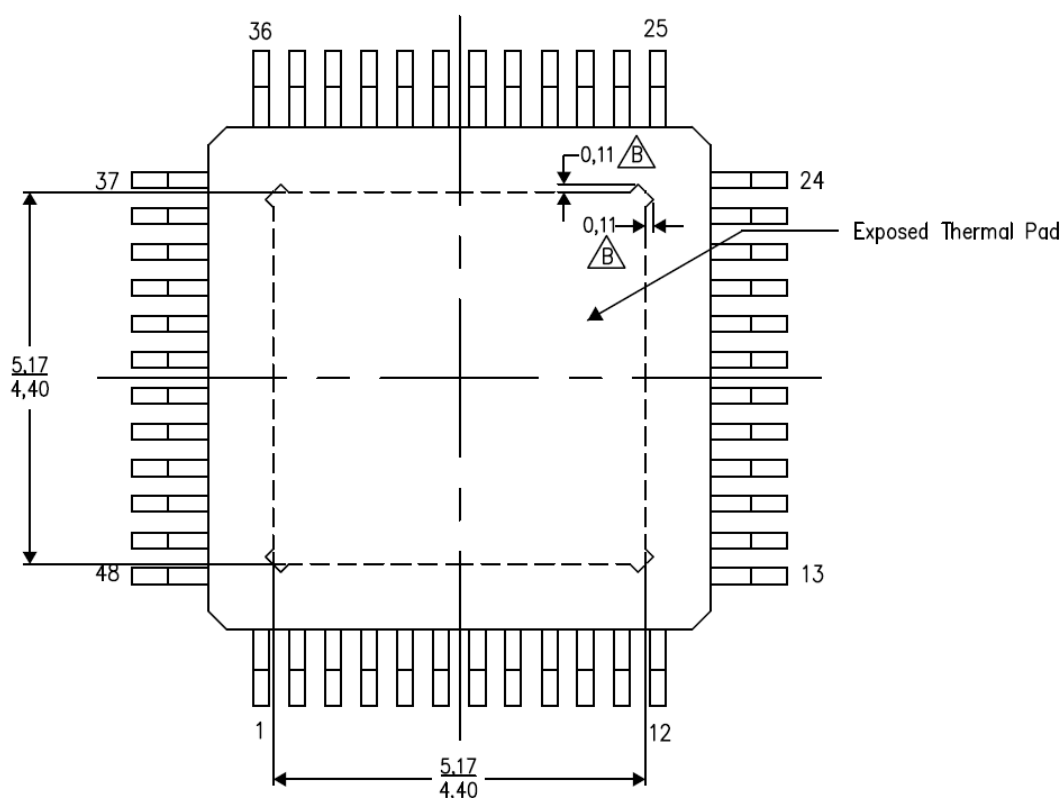
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THERMAL INFORMATION

This PowerPAD™ package incorporates an exposed thermal pad that is designed to be attached to a printed circuit board (PCB). The thermal pad must be soldered directly to the PCB. After soldering, the PCB can be used as a heatsink. In addition, through the use of thermal vias, the thermal pad can be attached directly to the appropriate copper plane shown in the electrical schematic for the device, or alternatively, can be attached to a special heatsink structure designed into the PCB. This design optimizes the heat transfer from the integrated circuit (IC).

For additional information on the PowerPAD package and how to take advantage of its heat dissipating abilities, refer to Technical Brief, PowerPAD Thermally Enhanced Package, Texas Instruments Literature No. [SLMA002](#) and Application Brief, PowerPAD Made Easy, Texas Instruments Literature No. [SLMA004](#). Both documents are available at [www.ti.com](#).

The exposed thermal pad dimensions for this package are shown in the following illustration.



Top View
Exposed Thermal Pad Dimensions

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NOTE: A. All linear dimensions are in millimeters

Tie strap features may not be present.

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PACKAGING INFORMATION

| Orderable Device | Status (1) | Package Type | Package Drawing | Pins | Package Qty | Eco Plan (2) | Lead/Ball Finish (6) | MSL Peak Temp (3) | Op Temp (°C) | Device Marking (4/5) | Samples |
|------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------------|------|----------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|--------------|-------------------------|---------|
| TRF4140QPHNRQ1 | ACTIVE | HTQFP | PHN | 48 | 2000 | Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br) | CU NIPDAU | Level-3-260C-168 HR | -40 to 125 | TRF4140C | Samples |

(1) The marketing status values are defined as follows:

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(3) MSL, Peak Temp. - The Moisture Sensitivity Level rating according to the JEDEC industry standard classifications, and peak solder temperature.

(4) There may be additional marking, which relates to the logo, the lot trace code information, or the environmental category on the device.

(5) Multiple Device Markings will be inside parentheses. Only one Device Marking contained in parentheses and separated by a "~" will appear on a device. If a line is indented then it is a continuation of the previous line and the two combined represent the entire Device Marking for that device.

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