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**VOLTAGE CONTROLLED** 

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# Low Power Voltage Controlled Oscillator

The MC12148 requires an external parallel tank circuit consisting of the inductor (L) and capacitor (C). A varactor diode may be incorporated into the tank circuit to provide a voltage variable input for the oscillator (VCO). This device may also be used in many other applications requiring a fixed frequency clock.

The MC12148 is ideal in applications requiring a local oscillator. Systems include electronic test equipment and digital high-speed telecommunications.

The MC12148 is based on the VCO circuit topology of the MC1648. The MC12148 has been realized utilizing Motorola's MOSAIC III advanced bipolar process technology which results in a design which can operate at a much higher frequency than the MC1648 while utilizing half the current. Please consult with the MC1648 data sheet for additional background information.

The ECL output circuitry of the MC12148 is not a traditional open emitter output structure and instead has an on-chip termination resistor with a nominal value of 500 ohms. This facilitates direct ac-coupling of the output signal into a transmission line. Because of this output configuration, an external pull-down resistor is not required to provide the output with a dc current path. This output is intended to drive one ECL load. If the user needs to fanout the signal, an ECL buffer such as the MC10EL16 Line Receiver/Driver should be used.

#### NOTE: The MC12148 is NOT useable as a crystal oscillator.

- Typical Operating Frequency Up to 1100 MHz
- Low–Power 20 mA at 5.0 Vdc Power Supply
- 8-Pin SOIC Package
- Phase Noise -90 dBc/Hz at 25 kHz Typical





#### **ORDERING INFORMATION**

Device	Operating Temperature Range	Package
MC12148D	T <sub>A</sub> = - 40° to +85°C	SO–8
MC12148SD	A = -40 10 + 00 C	SSOP-8

#### **BLOCK DIAGRAM** (Typical Test Circuit) $0.01 \mu F \neq 0.1 \mu F$ 100µF 1200Q\* - Fout Ð 6 8 5 7 \* The 1200 $\Omega$ resistor GND VCCO Out GND and the scope termination impedance constitute a 25:1 attenuator probe. TANK Vref AGC 2 1 3 VCC = 4.5 to 5.5 V 0.1µF 0.1uF 100 0.1 -o Vin ۰۸۸ 51KΩ

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### MAXIMUM RATINGS

Parameter	Symbol	Value	Unit
Power Supply Voltage, Pins 1, 7	VCC	-0.5 to 7.0	Vdc
Operating Temperature Range	TA	-40 to 85	°C
Storage Temperature Range	T <sub>stg</sub>	-65 to 150	°C

NOTE: ESD data available upon request.

## **ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS** (V<sub>CC</sub> = 5.0 V; $T_A$ = -40 to 85°C, unless otherwise noted.)

Characteristic		Symbol	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
Supply Current		ICC	-	19	25	mA
Output Level HIGH (1.0 MΩ Impedance)		VOH	3.95	4.17	4.61	V
Output Level LOW (1.0 MΩ Impedance)		VOL	3.04	3.41	3.60	V
CSR @ 25 kHz Offset, 1.0 Hz BW		<b>ℒ(f)</b>	-	-90	-	dBc/Hz
CSR @ 1.0 MHz Offset, 1.0 Hz BW SNR (Signal to Noise Ratio from Carrier)		<b>ℒ(f)</b>	-	-120	-	dBc/Hz
		SNR	-	40	-	dB
Frequency Stability	Supply Drift	Fsts	-	3.6	-	KHz/mV
	Thermal Drift	Fstt	-	0.1	-	KHz/°C
Second Harmonic (from Carrier)		H2	-	-25	-	dBc



#### Figure 1. Circuit Schematic



#### **Tank Component Suppliers**

Below are suppliers who manufacture tuning varactors and inductors which can be used to build an external tank circuit. Motorola has used these varactors and inductors for evaluation purposes, however, there are other vendors who manufacture similar products.

Coilcraft Inductors A01T thru A05T Coilcraft–Coilcraft, Inc. 1102 Silver Lake Rd. Gary, Illinois 60013 708–639–6400 Loral Tuning Varactors GC1500 Series Loral 16 Maple Road Chelmsford, Massachusetts 01824 508–256–8101 or 508–256–4113 Alpha Tuning Diodes DVH6730 Series Alpha Semiconductor Devices Division 20 Sylvan Road Woburn, MA 01801 617–935–5150

\* At 1.1 GHz, use a Coilcraft A0IT Springair coil at 2.5 nH and a Loral Varactor 3.0 to 8.0 pF at VIN = 1.0 to 5.0 V.

#### **OUTLINE DIMENSIONS**



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