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# Current Limit 7 Click





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Current Limit 7 Click is a compact add-on board representing a current-limiting solution. This board features the MAX14575A, an adjustable current-limit switch from Analog Devices. This Click board<sup>m</sup> features internal current limiting to prevent damage to host devices due to faulty load conditions, has a low 32m $\Omega$  on-resistance, and operates from a 2.3V to 5.5V input voltage range. Also, the current limit is adjustable from 250mA to 2.5A programmed through AD5272 digital rheostat and set via onboard range switch. This Click board<sup>m</sup> is suitable for applications in portable equipment and condition monitoring or power supplies, protecting them in short circuits or other overload conditions.

Current Limit 7 Click is supported by a <u>mikroSDK</u> compliant library, which includes functions that simplify software development. This <u>Click board</u><sup>m</sup> comes as a fully tested product, ready to be used on a system equipped with the <u>mikroBUS</u><sup>m</sup> socket.

## How does it work?

Current Limit 7 Click as its foundation uses the MAX14575A, programmable current-limit switch featuring internal current limiting to prevent damage to host devices due to faulty load conditions from Analog Devices. The MAX14575A offers flexible protection boundaries for systems against input voltage ranging from 2.3V to 5.5V and limits the output load current to a programmed level, up to 2.5A, making this device ideal for charging a large load capacitor as well as for high-current load switching applications. Additional safety features include thermal shutdown protection to prevent overheating and reverse current blocking to prevent current from being driven back into the source.

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The current-limit switch provides a safe means for regulating the current delivered to a load circuit. It allows the load current to increase to a programmed limit but no higher. Typically, the current limit is a function of the voltage across an external resistor, and this voltage serves as the reference for an internal current-limiting amplifier. By replacing the resistor with a digital rheostat, you can easily program the current limit as performed on this Click board<sup>™</sup>. For this purpose, the AD5272 from Analog Devices, communicating with the MCU via 2-Wire I2C interface, is used to set the resistance on the MAX14575A SETI pin, adjusting the current limit for the switch. In this case, two rheostats were used in combination with an onboard switch labeled as RANGE that allows the user to use two possible ranges of current limit: from 0.5A to 2.5A and from 0.25A to 0.5A.

Current Limit 7 Click can be enabled or disabled through the EN pin routed to the CS pin of the mikroBUS<sup>™</sup> socket; hence, offering a switch operation to turn ON/OFF power delivery to the connected load. It also provides an overcurrent flag (FLG) indication signal routed to the INT pin of the mikroBUS<sup>™</sup> socket and an additional reset signal for AD5272 digital rheostat routed to the RST pin of the mikroBUS<sup>™</sup> socket.

This Click board<sup>™</sup> can operate with both 3.3V and 5V logic voltage levels selected via the VCC SEL jumper. It allows for both 3.3V and 5V capable MCUs to use the communication lines properly. Additionally, there is a possibility for the MAX14575A power supply selection via jumper labeled as PWR SEL to supply the MAX14575A from an external power supply terminal in the range from 2.3V to 5.5V or with VCC voltage levels from mikroBUS<sup>™</sup> power rails. However, the Click board<sup>™</sup> comes equipped with a library containing easy-to-use functions and an example code that can be used, as a reference, for further development.

# Specifications

Туре	Power Switch		
Applications	Can be used for applications in portable equipment and condition monitoring or power supplies, protecting them in short circuits or other overload conditions		
On-board modules	MAX14575A - programmable current-limit switch featuring internal current limiting to prevent damage to host devices due to faulty load conditions from Analog Devices		

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Key Features	Integrated protection features, programmable current limiting up to 2.5A, operational and fault indicator, and more			
Interface	GPIO,I2C			
ClickID	No			
Compatibility	mikroBUS™			
Click board size	M (42.9 x 25.4 mm)			
Input Voltage	3.3V or 5V,External			

## **Pinout diagram**

This table shows how the pinout on Current Limit 7 Click corresponds to the pinout on the mikroBUS<sup>™</sup> socket (the latter shown in the two middle columns).

Notes	Pin	● ● mikro* ● ● ● BUS				Pin	Notes
	NC	1	AN	PWM	16	NC	
Reset	RST	2	RST	INT	15	FLG	Overcurrent Indicator
Enable	EN	3	CS	RX	14	NC	
	NC	4	SCK	ТΧ	13	NC	
	NC	5	MISO	SCL	12	SCL	I2C Clock
	NC	6	MOSI	SDA	11	SDA	I2C Data
Power Supply	3.3V	7	3.3V	5V	10	5V	Power Supply
Ground	GND	8	GND	GND	9	GND	Ground

## **Onboard settings and indicators**

Label	Name	Default	Description	
LD1	PWR	-	Power LED Indicator	
JP1	VCC SEL	Left	Logic Level Voltage Selection 3V3/5V: Left position 3V3, Right position 5V	
JP2	PWR SEL	Left	MAX14575A Power Input Selection EXT/INT: Left position EXT, Right position INT	
SW1	RANGE	-	Current Limit Range Selection Switch	

## **Current Limit 7 Click electrical specifications**

Description	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
Supply Voltage VCC	3	-	5	V
External Supply Voltage IN	2.3	-	5.5	V
Current Limit Range OUT	0.25	-	2.5	A
Operating Temperature Range	-40	+25	+85	°C

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We provide a library for the Current Limit 7 Click as well as a demo application (example), developed using MikroElektronika <u>compilers</u>. The demo can run on all the main MikroElektronika <u>development boards</u>.

Package can be downloaded/installed directly from NECTO Studio Package Manager(recommended way), downloaded from our <u>LibStock™</u> or found on <u>Mikroe github</u> <u>account</u>.

#### **Library Description**

This library contains API for Current Limit 7 Click driver.

Key functions

- currentlimit7\_set\_current\_limit Current Limit 7 set current limit function.
- currentlimit7\_set\_resistance Current Limit 7 set resistance function.
- currentlimit7\_get\_fault Current Limit 7 get fault function.

#### **Example Description**

This library contains API for the Current Limit 7 Click driver. This driver provides the functions to set the current limiting conditions in order to provide the threshold of the fault conditions.

The full application code, and ready to use projects can be installed directly from NECTO Studio Package Manager(recommended way), downloaded from our <u>LibStock™</u> or found on <u>Mikroe</u> <u>github account</u>.

Other Mikroe Libraries used in the example:

- MikroSDK.Board
- MikroSDK.Log
- Click.CurrentLimit7

#### Additional notes and informations

Depending on the development board you are using, you may need <u>USB UART click</u>, <u>USB UART</u> <u>2 Click</u> or <u>RS232 Click</u> to connect to your PC, for development systems with no UART to USB interface available on the board. UART terminal is available in all MikroElektronika <u>compilers</u>.

## mikroSDK

This Click board<sup>m</sup> is supported with <u>mikroSDK</u> - MikroElektronika Software Development Kit. To ensure proper operation of mikroSDK compliant Click board<sup>m</sup> demo applications, mikroSDK should be downloaded from the <u>LibStock</u> and installed for the compiler you are using.

For more information about mikroSDK, visit the official page.

### Resources

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#### <u>mikroSDK</u>

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## **Downloads**

Current Limit 7 click example on Libstock

MAX14575A datasheet

Current Limit 7 click 2D and 3D files

Current Limit 7 click schematic

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