

## **DIGITAL INDUSTRIES SOFTWARE**

# Harness the power of Siemens DFM on the cloud with PCBflow

Affordable. Smart. Scalable. Sustainable

- Find and fix PCB design flaws before handoff to manufacture
- Save time and reduce re-design/rework
- Intuitive interface requires no training.
   Use it immediately
- Access industry standard DFM rules, including IPC compliance checks
- Connect with your preferred manufacture to access real-life DFM rules
- Calculate BOM cost and check component availability
- · Get instant price estimates for full projects

#### **Build a better PCB**

Manufacturability of a PCB is dependent on the physical and mechanical limitations of the machines and processes involved. Board layout and BOM may affect cost, yield and reliability. In practice, PCB fabricators and EMSs spend significant pre-production time and engineering resources to identify and mitigate manufacturability issues. PCBflow allows you to test for manufacturability before handoff and eliminate lengthy pre-production correspondence. Avoid delays in production and ensure quality by identifying and addressing most common issues before they go to manufacture.



#### **Benefits continued**

- Secure, cloud-based, collaborative environment with no IT investment
- Lead generation receive notifications when your DFM profile is activated
- Allow your DFM profile to be activated by additional Siemens EDA tools

#### **Features**

- · Secure, online service
- DFM powered by Valor software
- Accurate part geometry provided by Valor Part Library
- Interactive DFM result viewer
- 3D board viewer

Fabrication Analysis

- · Online setup of basic fabrication checks
- Simplified setup of advanced DFM checks using ADM tool
- Direct access to PCBflow DFM profiles from PADS Professional Premium DFM, Xpedition, Valor NPI and Valor Process Preparation

Assembly Analysis

#### **Timeline is critical to NPIs and Prototypes**

New project

To retain a competitive advantage in today's market, NPIs (New Product Introductions) and Prototype PCBs are produced on a short timeline with little room for error. Clear, consistent communication between manufacturer and designer is essential to project success. Getting critical manufacturability information to designers as early as possible enables creation of PCB layouts with the manufacturing environment already accounted for.

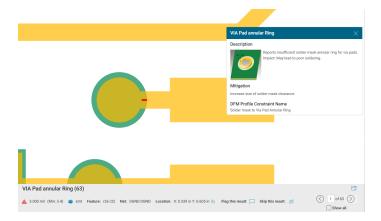


## Test for compliance to avoid re-design

PCBflow enables manufacturers to quickly set up manufacturing capabilities and constraints in a standardized way that is easily used by designers to test boards for compliance without fuss. In fact, the all the designer must do in PCBflow is select their manufacturer and let the software point out where the layout does not meet the requirements.







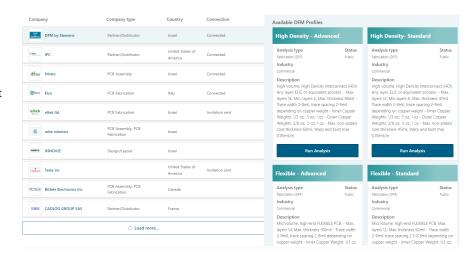


# Use built-in DFM rules or easily create your own

In this fast-paced environment, we don't always have time for long phone calls or endless email transactions to set up and adjust long lists of rules. With PCBflow, the rules are already there waiting to be used in your DFM analysis. You can upload any common design data format including ODB++, IPC2581 or Gerber and get started immediately.

For designers who are not yet decided on a specific manufacturer, PCBflow also supplies a variety of starter DFM profiles, created by experts to represent compliance with industry standards, including IPC rules.

Easily create custom DFM rules using the Online DFM Builder, or manage more complex DFM rules with the Analysis Definition Manager.









Online DFM Builder

Quickly set up a basic fabrication DFM profile.



Generate advanced DFM
Profiles

Access the Analysis Definition Manager to create full custom DFM profiles.

## Good software makes your work easier

PCBflow is online software accessed through your internet browser. The intuitive interface makes it easy to upload your design files, select your DFM profile and get started running analysis. In-app guidance and tutorials are a click away; say goodbye to complex instruction manuals and expensive training.

PCBflow provides an interactive online viewer to investigate the results of analysis, even if you don't have access to the original CAD software where the layout was created. Zoom, pan, select, and measure as you review potential issues pinpointed by PCBflow DFM analysis. Results can be flagged, tagged, and downloaded to Excel or PDF format for offline review.

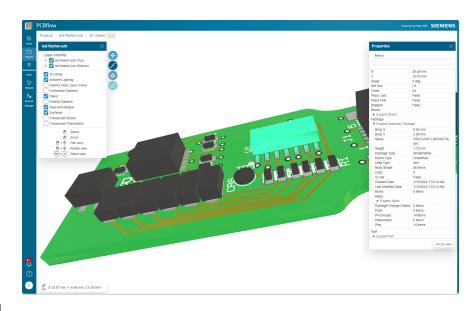


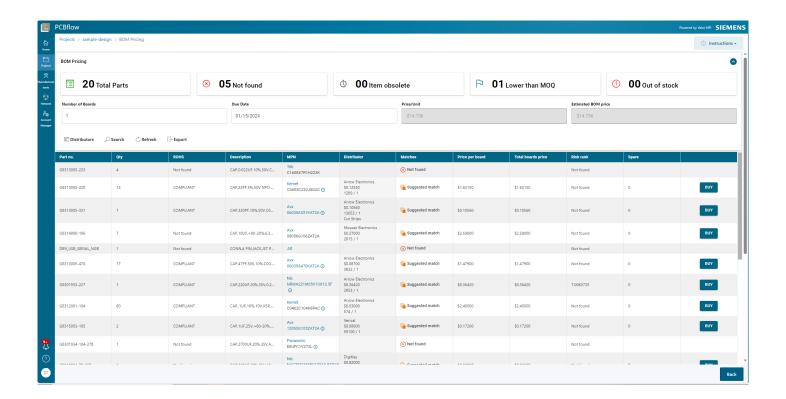
Use the unique online 3D Viewer to visualize your board. Zoom, pan, rotate, select, and measure, including translucent layers, component and feature information.

#### Components are included.

PCBflow uses accurate part geometry sourced from the Valor Part Library so that assembly analysis gives exclusive and valuable insight about pin contact area, compliance with solderability rules, component placement and spacing issues and more.

Up-to-date component pricing and availability is checked on demand, sourced from Supplyframe databases. Select from hundreds of global part distributors to calculate cost and ensure that the parts you need can be sourced on time and in the quantity required.





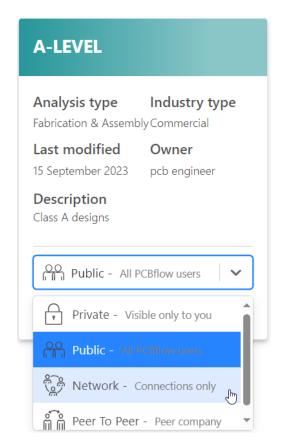
## Instant project price estimates and RFQ

Price estimates including materials and labor are available from participating manufacturers via our QuickPrice interface, powered by Boardera technology. Or, submit your project to get a full price quote.

# Share securely, when you're ready

By default, your project data is accessible only to you on PCBflow. When you are ready to share, you can notify other PCBflow subscribers and control access to your projects. This allows seamless collaboration between designer and manufacturer when needed. No more ftp servers, large emails or additional charges for data transfer services.

Custom DFM profiles are protected IP and cannot be transferred or downloaded by other companies on PCBflow, or by third parties. DFM profile status determines the use of your DFM profiles. Public profiles can be used by all PCBflow subscribers to run DFM and review the results. Network profiles require a connection between the companies, and private profiles can only by used by your company.







#### Join the PCBflow Network

Provide your company logo and contact information to join the growing list of companies in the PCBflow network. Gain visibility, and let others know what services you offer. Connect with other companies to communicate and gain access to use reserved, network-only DFM profiles.



#### Affordable and scalable

As an online service, PCBflow is a flexible and affordable solution for your company. By eliminating the need to purchase and install software, you pay only for the work that you do with PCBflow. We believe that even small businesses deserve access to world class software. As your business grows, PCBflow grows with you allowing you to scale up as needed.

# Help to save our planet

Create PCB layouts sustainably. Plan in advance to support cleaner manufacturing processes and responsible component sourcing. Reduce waste of materials, water, and energy by testing your design for compliance in advance to avoid rework and scrap. Reduce commute and improve communication by choosing online tools to work digitally; no install, setup or upgrades required. Act locally, think globally, plan ahead to make a difference with PCBflow.

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