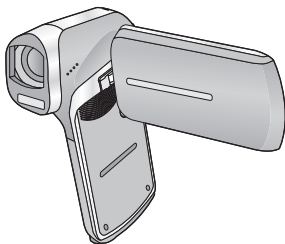


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Owner's Manual Dual Camera

Model No. **HX-DC3**



Please read these instructions carefully before using this product, and save this manual for future use.

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■ About recording formats and compatibility of the unit

- The unit is an MP4 format (MPEG-4 AVC file standard) Dual Camera for recording high-definition motion pictures.
- AVCHD and MPEG2 motion pictures are different formats, and are not therefore supported by the unit.

■ Indemnity about recorded content

Panasonic does not accept any responsibility for damages directly or indirectly due to any type of problems that result in loss of recording or edited content, and does not guarantee any content if recording or editing does not work properly. Likewise, the above also applies in a case where any type of repair is made to the unit (including any other non-built-in memory related component).

■ Handling built-in memory

This unit is equipped with the built-in memory. When using this component, pay attention to the following points.

Back up data periodically.

The built-in memory is temporary storage. In order to avoid erasing data due to static electricity, electromagnetic waves, breakage, and failures, back up the data to a PC or disc. (→ 115)

- The status indicator (→ 9) illuminates in red while the SD card or built-in memory is being accessed (initialization, recording, playback, deleting etc.). Do not perform the following operations when the indicator illuminates. It may damage the built-in memory or cause a malfunction in the unit.
 - Turn the unit off (remove the battery)
 - Insert and remove the SD Card
 - Insert and remove the USB cable
 - Expose the unit to vibrations or shock
- About disposing of or giving away this unit. (→ 152)

■ About Condensation (When the lens or the LCD monitor is fogged up)

Condensation occurs when there is a change in temperature or humidity, such as when the unit is taken from outside or a cold room to a warm room. Please be careful, as it may cause the lens or LCD monitor to become soiled, moldy, or damaged.

When taking the unit to a place which has a different temperature, if the unit is accustomed to the room temperature of the destination for about one hour, condensation can be prevented. (When the difference in temperature is severe, place the unit in a plastic bag or the like, remove air from the bag, and seal the bag.)

When condensation has occurred, remove the battery and/or the AC adaptor and leave the unit like that for about one hour. When the unit becomes accustomed to the surrounding temperature, fogginess will disappear naturally.

■ Cards that you can use with this unit

SD Memory Card, SDHC Memory Card and SDXC Memory Card

- 4 GB or more Memory Cards that do not have the SDHC logo or 48 GB or more Memory Cards that do not have the SDXC logo are not based on SD Memory Card Specifications.
- Refer to page 16 for more details on SD cards.

■ For the purposes of this owner's manual

- SD Memory Card, SDHC Memory Card and SDXC Memory Card are referred to as the "SD card".
- Functions that can be used for motion picture recording/motion picture playback are indicated by **VIDEO** in this owner's manual.
- Functions that can be used for still picture recording/still picture playback are indicated by **PHOTO** in this owner's manual.
- Functions that can be used for audio recording/audio playback are indicated by **AUDIO** in this owner's manual.
- Pages for reference are indicated by an arrow, for example: → 00
- "File" is used to mean "scene", "still picture" and "audio file".

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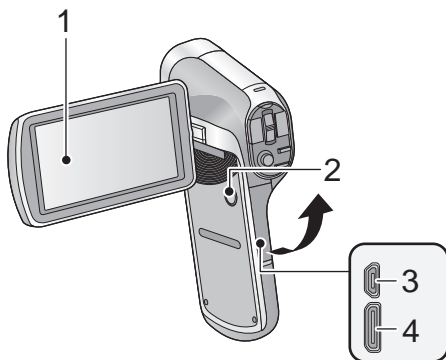
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Names and Functions of Main Parts

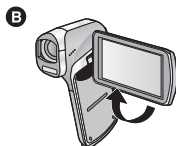
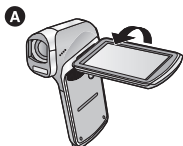


1 LCD monitor (→ 26)



Due to limitations in LCD production technology, there may be some tiny bright or dark spots on the LCD monitor screen. However, this is not a malfunction and does not affect the recorded picture.

- It can open up to 90°.



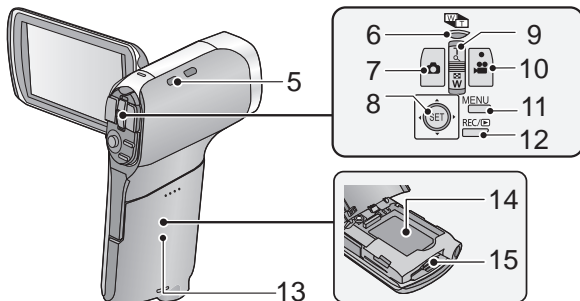
- It can rotate up to 180° **A** towards the lens or 105° **B** towards the opposite direction.

2 Power button [⏻/|] (→ 20)

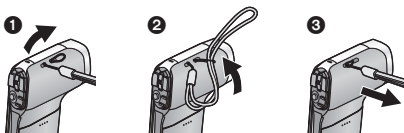
3 USB/AV connector (→ 12, 104, 113, 125)


- Use the USB cable/AV cable (only the supplied cable).

4 HDMI mini connector (→ 104, 109)



5 Hand strap fixture



6 Zoom range button [] (→ 53)

7 Photoshot button [] (→ 30)

8 SET button [SET] (→ 39, 43, 77, 84)

- Use the SET button to select the recording functions and playback operations, and to operate the menu screen.
- In this owner's manual, the operation of the SET button is denoted as shown below.

Example:  or **Select using the SET button**

9 In Recording Mode: Zoom lever [W/T] (→ 52)

In Playback Mode: Volume lever (→ 41, 90)

Zoom lever [W/T] (→ 87)

Thumbnail display switch [ / ] (→ 41)

10 Recording start/stop button [] (→ 27)

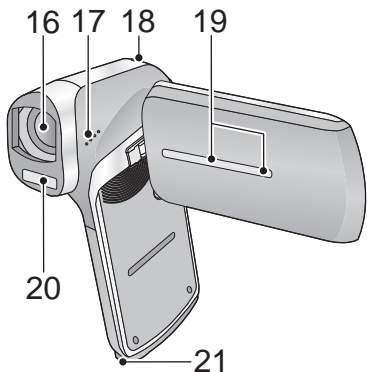
11 MENU button [MENU] (→ 43)

12 REC/  button [REC/ ] (→ 22)

13 Battery/Card cover (→ 10, 18)

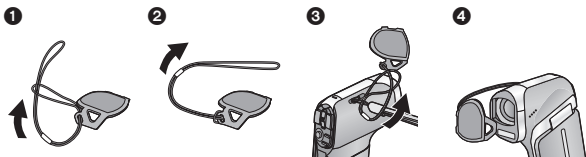
14 Battery holder

15 Card slot



16 Lens

- When not using the unit, be sure to fit the lens cap to protect the lens.
- Keep the lens cap out of reach of children to prevent swallowing.



17 Speaker

18 Status indicator (→ 2, 12, 18, 155)

19 Internal stereo microphones

20 Built-in flash (→ 70)

21 Tripod receptacle

- If you attach a tripod which has a 5.5 mm (0.22 ") screw or larger, it may damage this unit. The screw may also be difficult to tighten depending on the type of tripod used.

Power supply

■ About batteries that you can use with this unit

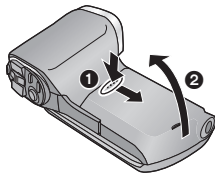
The battery that can be used with this unit is VW-VBX070.

It has been found that counterfeit battery packs which look very similar to the genuine product are made available to purchase in some markets. Some of these battery packs are not adequately protected with internal protection to meet the requirements of appropriate safety standards. There is a possibility that these battery packs may lead to fire or explosion. Please be advised that we are not liable for any accident or failure occurring as a result of use of a counterfeit battery pack. To ensure that safe products are used we would recommend that a genuine Panasonic battery pack is used.

Inserting/removing the battery

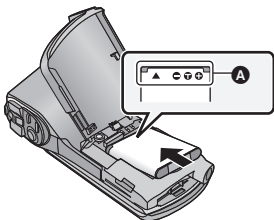
- Press the power button to turn off the unit. (→ 20)

1 Open the battery/card cover.



- 1 Slide while pushing the battery/card cover.
- 2 Open the battery/card cover.

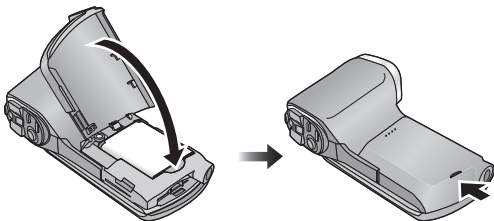
2 Insert the battery, taking care to match up the terminal markings.



A terminal markings

- Insert the battery so that the terminal markings face up. It is possible to mistakenly insert the battery upside down, so be sure to check the orientation carefully.

3 Close the battery/card cover.

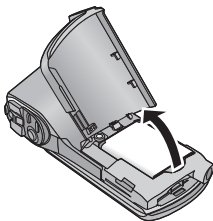


- Securely close it until it clicks.

Removing the battery

Press and hold down the power button to turn off the unit, then pull up and remove the battery.

- Always check that the LCD monitor and status indicator lamp are off.
- Keep the battery pack out of reach of children to prevent swallowing.



Charging the battery

When this unit is purchased, the battery is not charged. Charge the battery fully before using this unit for the first time.

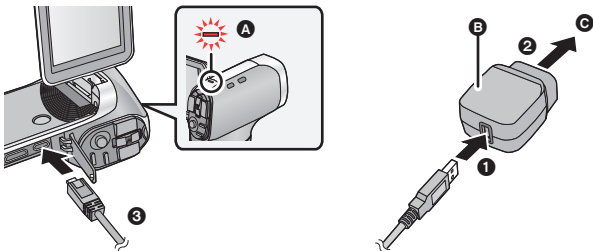
The unit is in the standby condition when the AC adaptor is connected. The primary circuit is always "live" as long as the AC adaptor is connected to an electrical outlet.

Important:

- The AC adaptor and USB cable are for use with this unit only. Do not use them with other equipment. Similarly, do not use AC adaptors and USB cables from other equipment with this unit.
- The battery is charged while the unit is off or in the Standby Mode. (→ 20)

The battery cannot be charged while the unit is recording or playing back.

- It is recommended to charge the battery in a temperature between 10 °C and 30 °C (50 °F and 86 °F). (The battery temperature should also be the same.)



- A** Status indicator
- B** AC adaptor
- C** To the AC outlet

- Insert the plugs as far as they will go.

1 Connect the USB cable to the AC adaptor.

- Check that the plug portion of the AC adaptor is not misaligned.

2 Connect the AC adaptor into the AC outlet.

3 Connect the USB cable to the unit.








- Connecting the USB cable in the wrong direction may cause damage to the USB/AV connector of the unit. If the connector has become damaged, it may not operate correctly, including failure to recognize the cable even if it has been connected.
 - The status indicator flashes red with a period of approximately 2 seconds (approximately 1 second on, 1 second off), and charging begins. It will turn off when the charging is completed.
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- Do not use any other AC adaptors except the supplied one.
- Do not use any other USB cables except the supplied one.
- We recommend using Panasonic batteries (→ 14).
- If you use other batteries, we cannot guarantee the quality of this product.
- Do not heat or expose to flame.
- Do not leave the battery(ies) in a car exposed to direct sunlight for a long period of time with doors and windows closed.
- For charging by connecting to another device, refer to page 128.
- If the status indicator flashes at a particularly fast or slow rate, refer to page 155.

Charging and recording time

■ Charging/Recording time

- Temperature: 25 °C (77 °F)/humidity: 60%RH (When using AC adaptor)

Battery model number [Voltage/Capacity (minimum)]	Charging time	Recording Mode	Maximum continuously recordable time	Actual recordable time
Supplied battery/ VW-VBX070 (optional) [3.7 V/700 mAh]	2 h		50 min	30 min
			55 min	35 min
			50 min	30 min
			1 h 5 min	35 min
			1 h 25 min	45 min
			1 h 5 min	40 min
			1 h 30 min	—


- These times are approximations.
- **The indicated charging time is for when the battery has been discharged completely. Charging time and recordable time vary depending on the usage conditions such as high/low temperature.**


- The actual recordable time refers to the recordable time when repeatedly starting/stopping recording, turning the unit on/off, moving the zoom lever etc.
- The batteries heat up after use or charging. This is not a malfunction.

Battery capacity indication

- The display changes as the battery capacity reduces.



When the charge is low,  is displayed.

- Due to the characteristics of the battery, it may not be possible to correctly display the charge remaining on the battery. For instance, at low temperatures, the  indicator may turn on earlier. Because the status of the charge remaining indicator changes according to the ambient temperature, conditions of use, etc., the indicator should be considered as an approximate guide.

■ Approximate operating time and number of recordable still pictures

Number of recordable pictures	Approx. 210 pictures	By CIPA standard
Recording time	Approx. 105 min	
Playback time	Approx. 210 min	

Recording conditions by CIPA standard

- CIPA is an abbreviation of Camera & Imaging Products Association.
- Use of supplied battery
- Using a Panasonic SD Memory Card (2 GB)

Recording to a card

The unit can record motion pictures, still pictures or audio to an SD card or built-in memory. To record to an SD card, read the following.

This unit (an SDXC compatible device) is compatible with SD Memory Cards, SDHC Memory Cards and SDXC Memory Cards. When using an SDHC Memory Card/SDXC Memory Card with other equipment, check the equipment is compatible with these Memory Cards.

Cards that you can use with this unit

Use SD cards conforming to Class 4 or higher of the SD Speed Class Rating* for motion picture recording.

Card type	Capacity
SD Memory Card	512 MB/1 GB/2 GB
SDHC Memory Card	4 GB/6 GB/8 GB/12 GB/16 GB/ 24 GB/32 GB
SDXC Memory Card	48 GB/64 GB

* SD Speed Class Rating is the speed standard regarding continuous writing. Check via the label on the card, etc.

e.g.:



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- Please confirm the latest information about SD Memory Cards/SDHC Memory Cards/SDXC Memory Cards that can be used for motion picture recording on the following website.

http://panasonic.jp/support/global/cs/e_cam

(This website is in English only.)

- To use the Eye-Fi transfer feature (→ 134), an Eye-Fi X2 series SD card is required.
- Operation of SD Memory Cards with a capacity of 256 MB or less is not guaranteed.
- 4 GB or more Memory Cards that do not have the SDHC logo or 48 GB or more Memory Cards that do not have the SDXC logo are not based on SD Memory Card Specifications.
- The operation of Memory cards exceeding 64 GB cannot be guaranteed.
- When the write-protect switch **A** on SD card is locked, no recording, deletion or formatting will be possible on the card.
- Keep the Memory Card out of reach of children to prevent swallowing.



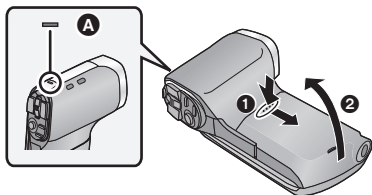
Inserting/removing an SD card

When using an SD card not from Panasonic, or one previously used on other equipment, for the first time on this unit, format the SD card. (→ 48) When the SD card is formatted, all of the recorded data is deleted. Once the data is deleted, it cannot be restored.

Caution:

Check that the status indicator has gone off.

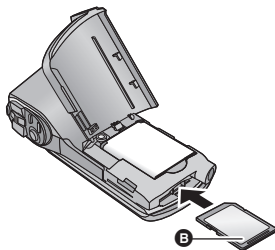
1 Open the battery/card cover.



Status indicator **A**

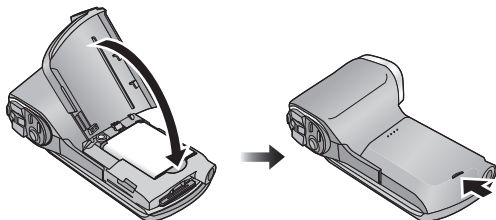
- When this unit is accessing the SD card or built-in memory, the status indicator lights up red.

2 Insert (remove) the SD card into (from) the card slot.



- Face the label side **B** in the direction shown in the illustration and press it straight in as far as it will go.
- Press the center of the SD card and then pull it straight out.

3 Close the battery/card cover.



- Securely close it until it clicks.

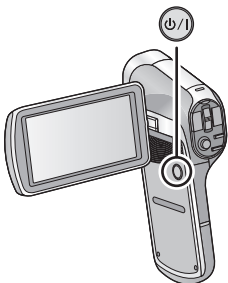
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- Do not touch the terminals on the back of the SD card.
 - Do not shock, bend, or drop the SD card.
 - Electrical noise, static electricity or the failure of this unit or the SD card may damage or erase the data stored on the SD card.
 - When the status indicator (→ 9) illuminates in red, do not:
 - Remove the SD card
 - Turn the unit off
 - Insert and remove the USB cable
 - Expose the unit to vibrations or shockPerforming the above while the indicator is on may result in damage to data/SD card or this unit.

- Do not expose the terminals of the SD card to water, dirt or dust.
- Do not place SD cards in the following areas:
 - In direct sunlight
 - In very dusty or humid areas
 - Near a heater
 - Locations susceptible to significant difference in temperature (condensation can occur.)
 - Where static electricity or electromagnetic waves occur
- To protect SD cards, return them to their cases when you are not using them.
- About disposing of or giving away the SD card. (→ 156)

Turning the unit on/off

Open the LCD monitor and press the power button to turn on the unit.

The LCD monitor turns on.



To turn off the unit

Hold down the power button until the LCD monitor goes off.

- Pressing the power button for a short time sends the unit into Standby Mode. (→ 20)

About Standby Mode

When the LCD monitor is closed while the unit is on, the unit enters Standby Mode which consumes very little power.


Standby Mode allows pictures to be recorded as soon as the LCD monitor is opened. Setting [QUICK START] to [ON] will allow the device to switch to Recording Standby Status even faster. (→ 45)






Use Standby Mode when you stop using the unit but intend to use it again after a short time.

- The unit does not go into Standby Mode when you close the LCD monitor during motion picture recording or audio recording.
- If you open the LCD monitor when in Standby Mode, the unit enters Recording Mode.



- If the unit has not been operated for approximately 5 minutes (settings at the time of purchase) when the power is turned on, the ECONOMY function will activate and switch to Standby Mode to limit power consumption in situations such as the user forgetting to turn the unit off.
 - When the unit is in Standby Mode, you can turn on the unit by pressing the power button.
 - The time until the unit goes into Standby Mode can be changed. (→ 47)

About the high temperature warning icon

If the battery temperature or unit internal temperature (excluding battery) rises, the high temperature warning icon  will provide warning as indicated below.

Battery/unit internal temperature	Screen display	Unit operation
	 (Lighting)	<p>Although it is possible to record/play back, please stop using the unit as soon as possible and turn off the unit.</p> <p>Motion picture recording is no longer possible. (If you are recording a motion picture, the recording stops.) Please turn off the unit.</p>
	 (Flashing)	<p>After the flashing of the , the unit turns off automatically. The unit does not turn on when the temperature drops. ( flashes.) Wait for the temperature to drop before using the unit again.</p>

High temperature

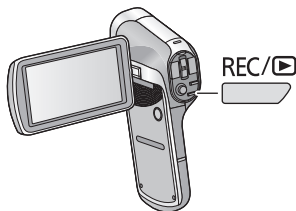
- When you turn off the unit while the temperature is high ( is lighting), you will not be able to turn on the unit again until the temperature lowers. ( will flash.)

Selecting a mode

Change the mode to recording or playback.

Press the REC/▶ button.

- Each press of the REC/▶ button changes the mode.




Recording Mode (→ 27, 30, 34)	For recording motion pictures, still pictures and audio
Playback Mode (→ 39, 84)	For playing back motion pictures, still pictures and audio

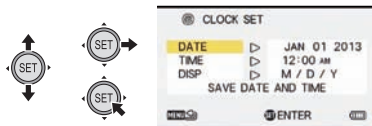
Setting date and time

If the screen to set the date and time appears when you turn on the unit, skip to step 2 and follow the steps to set the date and time.

1 Select the menu. (→ 43)

[MENU]:  → [CLOCK SET]

2 Select an item ([DATE]/[TIME]/[DISP]) using the SET button and then tilt the SET button to the right or press the SET button.



3 (When [DATE] or [TIME] is selected) Tilt the SET button to the left or right to select the desired item and then up and down to set the numerical values.

e.g.: When [DATE] is selected



- The year can be set between 2000 and 2039.

(When [DISP] is selected)

Select the date format display method using the SET button.



4 Press the SET button.

5 Select [SAVE DATE AND TIME] using the SET button and then press the SET button.

- To return to the recording screen or playback screen, press the MENU button.

- **At the time of purchase, the [CLOCK SET] is not set.**

- If the [CLOCK SET] have not been set or the built-in clock battery has run down, the screen display and recording time information will appear as follows.

Recording screen display: --- -- ---- --:----

Recording time information: JAN 01 2013 12:00AM

- To charge the built-in clock battery, install a fully charged battery in the unit. If you leave the battery for approximately 24 hours, the time settings will be stored for approximately 7 days. (The charging continues even when the unit is turned off)

Before recording

■ Basic camera positioning

Example 1:

Grip the unit with the forefinger of your right hand above the lens and the middle finger to little finger surrounding the body.



Example 2:

Grip the unit with the forefinger to little finger of your right hand surrounding the body.



- To avoid dropping the unit, be sure to attach a handstrap.
- When recording, make sure your footing is stable and there is no danger of colliding with another person or object.
- When you are outdoors, record pictures with the sunlight behind you. If the subject is backlit, it will become dark in the recording.
- Keep your arms near your body and separate your legs for better balance.
- When performing zoom operations, you can prevent the jitter associated with zoom operations by placing your other hand on the LCD monitor to stabilize the unit.
- Ensure that the lens and flash are not obstructed by your fingers or the handstrap. Also, ensure that your hand is not blocking the microphones on the LCD monitor.

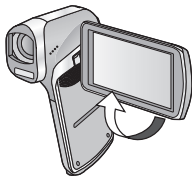
■ Basic motion picture recording

- The unit should normally be held steady when recording.
- If you move the unit when recording, do so slowly, maintaining a constant speed.
- The zoom operation is useful for recording subjects you cannot get close to, but overuse of zoom in and zoom out can make the resulting motion picture less enjoyable to watch.

■ Recording yourself

Rotate the LCD monitor towards the lens side.

- The image is horizontally flipped as if you see a mirror image. (However the image recorded is the same as a normal recording.)



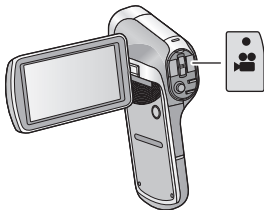
■ If the surface of the unit gets hot

Due to the characteristics of the unit, the outer surface may become warm during use, but this does not indicate a malfunction.

- If the unit starts to feel uncomfortably hot during use, you might temporarily discontinue use until it cools down, or try holding it in your other hand for a while. Please use a tripod or other support when using the unit for a long time.

Recording motion pictures

- **Before turning on the unit, remove the lens cap.**
- Motion pictures are recorded to the SD card if one is inserted. If no SD card is inserted, the motion pictures are recorded to the built-in memory.



- 1 Open the LCD monitor.**
- 2 Press the recording start/stop button to start recording.**



- A** When you begin recording, ● appears.
- 3 Press the recording start/stop button again to pause recording.**

■ About the screen indications in the motion picture recording



	Recording Mode (→ 62)
	Motion picture operation indicator (→ 140)
	During motion picture recording When the remaining recordable time drops to approximately 30 seconds or less, ● flashes.
000:00:15	During recording: Recording time elapsed Each time the unit is put into recording pause, the counter display will be reset to 000:00:00. During recording standby: Approximate remaining recordable time*

* When [CREATIVE CONTROL] (→ 64) is set to (Miniature Effect (MINI)) or (Time Lapse Rec (INTV)), the maximum recordable time for one scene (012:00:00) is displayed. (When the remaining space on the SD card is equal to less than 12 hours or when recording to the built-in memory, the remaining recordable time on the SD card or built-in memory is displayed.)

- The images recorded between pressing the recording start/stop button to start recording and pressing it again to pause recording become one scene.
- If the file size exceeds 4 GB during recording, the unit saves the file and saves the continuation in a new file. (A new file is created automatically every 4 GB (→ 42))
- While recording is in progress, the recording will not stop even if the LCD monitor is closed.

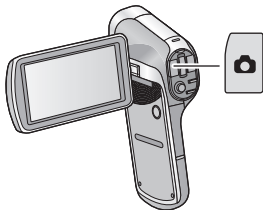
- Recording may become out of focus if the unit is subjected to shock while the power is turned on. If this happens, hold the power button until the LCD monitor turns off to turn the power to the unit off, and turn the power on again.
- Maximum number of recordings per SD card
file : 899100
folder : 900
- Please refer to page 159 for details about approximate recordable time.


About the compatibility of the recorded motion pictures

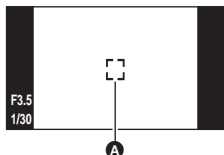
- They are not compatible with devices other than those that support MP4. Images cannot be played with equipment that does not support MP4. Confirm that your equipment supports MP4 by referring to the operating instructions.
- There are some cases where the recorded motion pictures cannot be played back, even if the device supports MP4. In such a case, play back on this unit instead.

Recording still pictures

- **Before turning on the unit, remove the lens cap.**
- Still pictures are recorded to SD card if one is inserted. If no SD card is inserted, the still pictures are recorded to the built-in memory.




- 1 Open the LCD monitor.**
- 2 (For Auto Focus only)**
Press the  button halfway.





- A** Focus area (area inside brackets)
- 3 Press the  button fully.**



- If you continue to hold down the  button, you can check the recorded image on the LCD monitor.

■ About the recording standby screen display

The field of view of the image displayed on the LCD monitor differs for motion picture recording and still picture recording. At time of purchase, the recording standby screen displays video view. Press the  button halfway to change to photo view.

- When [PHOTO VIEW] is set to  (ON), you can change the recording standby screen display to the photo view. (→ 72)

Video view






Photo view





- A** Video recording area

■ About the screen indications in the still picture recording



	Still picture operation indicator (→ 138)
16M	Size of still pictures (→ 63)
3000	Remaining number of still pictures
	Flash (→ 70)
ISO400	ISO (→ 74)
F3.5	Iris value
1/30	Shutter speed
	Image Stabilizer for still picture (→ 56)

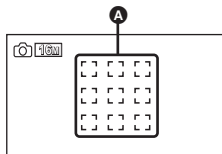
■ About the focusing area



- When [FOCUS MODE] (→ 75) is set to  (9-PT AUTOFOCUS),  (focusing area **A**) is displayed at the position where focus is achieved.

The unit automatically determines the position where focus is achieved from nine focus points within the recording area. If the focusing area doesn't appear in a desired position, try adjusting the camera angle etc., and focus again.

When focus is achieved over a wide range at the center of the screen, a large focusing area is displayed.


- When [FOCUS MODE] (→ 75) is set to [SPOT FOCUS], the unit can focus on the subject in the center of the recording area.




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- When the risk of jitter increases due to a slower shutter speed while recording still picture,  (camera shake icon) will appear on the LCD monitor. When this occurs, attach the unit to a tripod to prevent jitter while recording or set [FLASH] to  (AUTO). (→ 70)
 - When recording in a dark environment, writing to the card may take time.
 - To print a picture, save the picture to the SD card (→ 111) and print using a PC or a printer.
 - The edges of still pictures recorded on this unit with a 16:9 aspect ratio may be cut at printing. Check the printer or photo studio before printing.
 - Please refer to page 161 for details about the number of recordable pictures.

About recording still pictures during motion picture recording and audio recording

You can record still pictures while recording a motion picture or while recording audio. (simultaneous recording)







Press the  button fully (press to the bottom) to take the picture.


- When the recordable time drops to approximately 30 seconds or less, the unit can no longer record still pictures while recording a motion picture or while recording audio.
- The still picture operation indicator () will turn red while recording still pictures.
- No shutter sound is emitted when recording still pictures.



■ About picture size

When you record a still picture while recording a motion picture or audio, the picture size will depend on the Recording Mode. (→ 62)


Recording Mode	Picture size		Aspect ratio
		1920×1080	16:9
		1280×720	16:9
		640×480	4:3

- Still pictures cannot be recorded during  recording.
- Burst recording is not possible.
- The Flash (→ 70) and Image Stabilizer for still picture (→ 56) are disabled.

Recording audio

- Audio is recorded to the SD card if one is inserted. If no SD card is inserted, the audio is recorded to the built-in memory.

- 1 Open the LCD monitor.**
- 2 Select the menu. (→ 43)**

[MENU]:  → [REC MODE] → [ (VOICE RECORD)]


- 3 Start recording by pressing the recording start/stop button.**



- 4 Press the recording start/stop button again to stop recording.**

■ About the screen display for audio recording



	Audio operation indicator (→ 139)
● (Red)	During audio recording When the remaining recordable time drops to approximately 30 seconds or less, ● flashes.
000:00:15	During audio recording: Recording time elapsed Every time recording is stopped, the indicator returns to 000:00:00. During audio recording standby: Maximum recordable time for one file (005:00:00)*

* When the remaining space on the SD card is equal to less than 5 hours or when recording to the built-in memory, the remaining recordable time on the SD card or built-in memory is displayed.

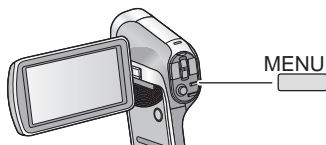
- When the recording time exceeds approximately 5 hours, the file is saved and the audio recording ends.

Intelligent Auto Mode










The following modes (appropriate for the condition) are set just by pointing the unit to what you want to record.

Select the menu. (→ 43)

[MENU]:  → [INTELLIGENT AUTO] → [] (ON)



- Please refer to page 81 for details about Manual Mode.

	Mode	Effect
	Portrait	Faces are detected and focused automatically, and the brightness is adjusted so it is recorded clearly.
	Scenery	The whole landscape will be recorded vividly without whiting out the background sky, which may be very bright.
 *1	Spotlight	Very bright object is recorded clearly.
 *1	Low Light	It can record very clearly even in a dark room or twilight.
 *2	Night Portrait	A person and the background are recorded with near real-life brightness.
 *2	Night Scenery	You can record night scenery vividly by slowing the shutter speed.
 *2	Macro	This allows recording while going near to the object of recording.
 *1  *2	Normal	Adjusts the contrast and gives a clean image when not using the above modes.

*1 Mode for motion picture recording only

*2 Mode for still picture recording only

- Depending on the recording conditions, the unit may not enter the desired mode.
- We recommend using a tripod in Night Portrait/Night Scenery/Low Light.
- Faces cannot be detected depending on the recording conditions, such as when faces are of certain sizes or at certain tilts or when Digital Zoom is used.

■ Intelligent Auto Mode

When switching to Intelligent Auto Mode, the Automatic White Balance and Auto Focus operate and automatically adjust the color balance and focusing.

Depending on the brightness of the subject etc., the aperture and shutter speed are automatically adjusted for an optimum brightness.

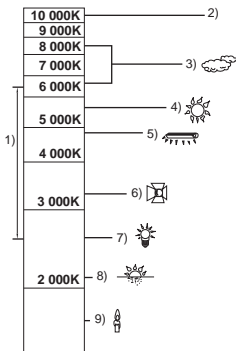
- Color balance and focus may not be adjusted automatically depending on light sources or scenes. If so, manually adjust these settings. (→ 81, 83)

Automatic White Balance

The illustration shows the range over which Automatic White Balance functions.

- 1) The effective range of Automatic White Balance adjustment on this unit
- 2) Blue sky
- 3) Cloudy sky (rain)
- 4) Sunlight
- 5) White fluorescent lamp
- 6) Halogen light bulb
- 7) Incandescent light bulb
- 8) Sunrise or sunset
- 9) Candlelight

If the Automatic White Balance is not functioning normally, adjust the White Balance manually. (→ 81)

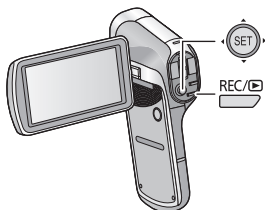


Auto Focus

The unit focuses automatically.

- Auto Focus does not work correctly in the following situations. Record pictures in the Manual Focus Mode. (→ 83)
 - Recording distant and close-up objects at the same time
 - Recording a subject behind dirty or dusty window
 - Recording a subject that is surrounded by objects with glossy surfaces or by highly reflective objects

Motion picture/Still picture/Audio playback








- 1 Press the REC/▶ button to change to Playback Mode.**
- 2 Select the file to play back using the SET button and press the SET button.**

Thumbnail display








- A** The information for the file in the yellow frame is displayed.
- Tilt and hold the SET button up or down to display the next (or previous) page.

3 Play back using the SET button.



Motion picture/audio playback		
		Playback/Pause
		Fast rewind playback
		Fast forward playback
		Stops the playback and shows the thumbnails.



B Operation icon*

* If the operation icon disappears, perform a SET button operation to display it.

Still picture playback		
		Deletes still picture (→ 100)
		Displays previous file
		Displays next file
		Stops playback and returns to thumbnail display

■ Change the thumbnail display


While the thumbnail is displayed, the thumbnail display changes in the following order if the zoom lever is operated to  side or  side.
21 files ↔ 8 files ↔ 1 file


- If you move the zoom lever to the  side from the 21 files display mode, the unit goes to the playback folder selection screen. (→ 50)
- If you move the zoom lever to the  side with a still picture in a single file display state, the unit enters playback zoom (→ 87).
- When the SET button is tilted to the right (left) during single file display, the next (previous) file is displayed.
- When following operations are performed, 8 file display is restored.
 - If you turn the unit off
 - If you change the Recording Mode
 - If you display the menu screen

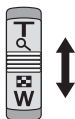
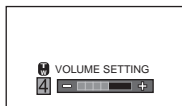


■ Speaker volume adjustment



To adjust the speaker volume during motion picture or audio playback, operate the volume lever during playback.

Towards  :
Increases the volume

Towards  :
Decreases the volume



- When a playback of a motion picture file or audio file ends, the thumbnail display is restored. To playback files continuously, configure the slideshow settings before playing back the file. (→ 89)
- Except in normal motion picture/audio playback, sound is not emitted.
- The elapsed time for motion picture playback indication will be reset to 00:00:00 for each scene.
- The elapsed time for audio playback indication will be reset to 000:00:00 for each file.

- Once the size of the recorded file exceeds 4 GB, the file will be saved once, and the rest will be saved in a new file. In this case,  is displayed in the thumbnail screen for the 8 files. When files over 4 GB is subsequently recorded in a single card multiple times, it is distinguished by displaying  icon in 4 colors (green, blue, yellow, and red).
- Closing the LCD monitor stops playback and sends the unit into Standby Mode. (→ 20)

Motion picture compatibility

- The unit conforms to the MP4 format (MPEG-4 AVC file standard).
- Motion pictures recorded on other MP4-compatible equipment may not play back normally or may not play back at all on this unit. Similarly, motion pictures recorded on this unit may not play back normally or may not play back at all on other MP4-compatible equipment.

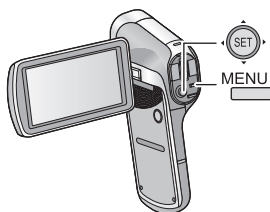
Still picture compatibility



- This unit conforms to the universal DCF (Design rule for Camera File system) standard and Exif (Exchangeable Image File Format) stipulated by JEITA (Japan Electronics and Information Technology Industries Association). Files which do not conform to the DCF standard cannot be played back.
- The file format of still pictures supported by this unit is JPEG. (Not all JPEG formatted files will be played back.)
- This unit may degrade or not play back still pictures recorded or created on other products and other products may degrade or not play back still pictures recorded on this unit.

Audio compatibility

- The unit conforms to the AAC file standard.
- This unit may degrade or not play back audio recorded or created on other products and other products may degrade or not play back audio recorded on this unit.

Using the menu screen



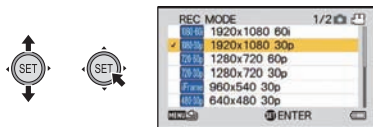
- 1 Press the MENU button. 
- 2 Tilt the SET button to the left. 
- 3 Select tab **A** using the SET button, and tilt the SET button to the right or press the SET button.



- 4 Select from menu items **B** using the SET button, and tilt the SET button to the right, or press the SET button.

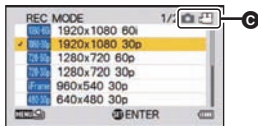


5 Select the setting content using the SET button and press the SET button to set.





■ About applicable mode indicator



In the recording menu, the Recording Mode that reflects the currently displayed setting is displayed.



Ⓒ Applicable mode indicator

  : Setting is applied to still picture and motion picture recording.

  : Setting is applied to still picture recording.

  : Setting is applied to motion picture recording.

To get back to the previous screen

Press the MENU button.

To end the menu setting

Press the MENU button several times.

Using Option Menu

Select the menu.

[MENU]: ,  or  → desired setting

OPTION MENU 1

[CLOCK SET]

Please refer to page 23.

[QUICK START]

Opening the LCD monitor will switch from Standby Mode to Recording Standby Status in approximately 0.5 seconds (in Recording Mode only).

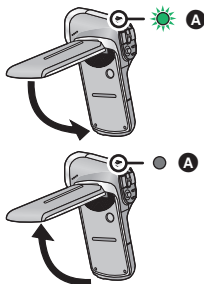
- **When in Quick Start Standby Mode about 48% of the power used in recording standby mode is being consumed, so the recording time will be reduced.**
- **Set to Recording Mode. (→ 22)**

- 1 Select [QUICK START] with the SET button and press the SET button.**
- 2 Select [ON] with the SET button and press the SET button.**
- 3 Close the LCD monitor.**

The status indicator **A** flashes green and the unit goes into Quick Start standby mode.

- 4 Open the LCD monitor.**

The status indicator **A** will turn off and switch to Recording Standby Status.



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- Quick Start Standby Status will be unlocked after approximately 5 minutes and will switch to Standby Mode.
 - If [ECONOMY] (→ 47) is activated and the device switches to Quick Start Standby Status automatically, pressing any button on the unit will switch to Recording Standby Status.
 - Depending on the recording conditions and menu settings, time for Quick Start may be longer than 0.5 seconds.
 - It may take some time for Automatic White Balance to adjust.

[ALERT SOUND]

Set the type and volume of operation sounds for the unit.


[TURN ON/OFF]:

Sets the sound emitted when the unit is turned on/off. ([ON]/[OFF])

[RECORD BEEP]:

Sets the sound emitted when recording is started and stopped.
([ON]/[OFF])

[SHUTTER]:

Sets the sound emitted when the  button is pressed.
([OFF]/[A]/[B]/[C]/[D])

[KEY SW]:

Sets the sound emitted when the buttons (SET button, MENU button, etc.) are pressed. ([OFF]/[A]/[B]/[C]/[D])

[OPERATION VOL]:

Sets the volume of the operation sounds. ([1] to [7])

[ALL OFF]/[OPERATION SOUNDS ON]:

Sets all operation sounds on/off

[DISPLAY]

Turns screen display [ON] (display) or [OFF] (not-display).

[ECONOMY]

Set the standby time for the unit to switch to Standby Mode. (→ 20)

[BATTERY:REC]: Sets the time for which the unit is in the Recording Mode using the battery, before it goes into Standby Mode.
([1 min]/[3 min]/[5 min]/[10 min])

[BATTERY:PLAY]: Sets the time for which the unit is in the Playback Mode using the battery, before going into Standby Mode.
([1 min]/[3 min]/[5 min]/[10 min]/[30 min])

[AC:REC/PLAY]: Sets the time for which the unit is in the Recording/Playback Mode using the AC adaptor, before going into Standby Mode.
([1 min]/[3 min]/[5 min]/[10 min]/[30 min]/[60 min])

[BRIGHTNESS]

Sets the brightness of the LCD monitor of the unit (7 steps).



OPTION MENU 2

[LANGUAGE]

You can select the language on the screen display and the menu screen.

[TV OUTPUT]

[TV SYSTEM]: Please refer to page 108.

[TV ASPECT]: Please refer to page 107.

[HDMI]: Please refer to page 108.

[VIERA Link]: Please refer to page 109.

[INITIAL SET]

Returns the unit settings to the settings at the time of purchase.

- Settings for [CLOCK SET], [LANGUAGE] and the double range zoom will not be changed.

[FORMAT]

Please be aware that if a medium is formatted, then all the data recorded on the medium will be erased and cannot be restored. Back up important data on a PC, disc, etc. (→ 115)

- To format the built-in memory, perform a format with the SD card removed.

[FORMAT]:

A logical format is performed on the SD card or built-in memory.

[DELETE DATA]:

A physical format is performed on the SD card or built-in memory.

Select [FORMAT] or [DELETE DATA] using the SET button and press the SET button.

- When selecting [DELETE DATA], please use the AC adaptor. When using the battery, [DELETE DATA] cannot be selected.
 - Select [DELETE DATA] and perform a physical formatting of the SD card when the SD card is to be disposed/transferred.
 - Select [DELETE DATA] and perform a physical formatting of the built-in memory when this unit is to be disposed/transferred.
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- Do not turn this unit off or remove the SD card, while formatting. Do not expose the unit to vibrations or shock.

Use this unit to format media.

Formatting built-in memory is only available with this unit.

Do not format an SD card using any other equipment such as a PC. The card may not be used on this unit.

[Eye-Fi]

This item is displayed only when an Eye-Fi card is inserted.

Please refer to page 134.

[REC FOLDER]

Creates or selects a recording folder (folder containing a recorded file).
(SD card recording only)

- **Insert the SD card.**
 - **Set to Recording Mode. (→ 22)**
- 1 Select [REC FOLDER] using the SET button and press the SET button.**
 - 2 (When creating a folder) Select [CREATE NEW FOLDER] using the SET button and press the SET button.**
 - The created folder is set as the recording folder.

(When selecting a folder)

Select the folder number of the desired folder using the SET button and press the SET button.



- You cannot select folders which have been created on other equipment or folders which already contain the maximum number of files.

[PLAYBACK FOLDER]

When the SD card or built-in memory contains multiple folders, you can select a folder for playback.

- **Set to Playback Mode. (→ 22)**

- 1 **Select [PLAYBACK FOLDER] using the SET button and press the SET button.**
 - 2 **Select the folder to play back using the SET button and press the SET button.**
- All the recorded files are displayed in the thumbnail screen, and yellow frame is displayed on the first file in the selected folder.



- 3 **Select the file to playback using the SET button and press the SET button.**

[FILE NO. CONT'D]

This function sets the file numbers when the card is exchanged or formatted.

[ON]: File numbers are retained even when the card is exchanged or formatted.

[OFF]: File numbers are reset to start from [0001] when the card is exchanged or formatted.

When [FILE NO. CONT'D] is set to [ON] and there are files remaining on the newly inserted card, the files subsequently recorded on the card will be numbered as described below.

When the newly inserted card contains file numbers which are smaller than the file numbers recorded before changing the cards

The numbering continues from the file currently being recorded.

Example:

If you record files up to 0015 on a first card and then exchange the first card for a second card, which already has files up to 0005 recorded on it, the new file numbers on the second card will start from 0016.

When the newly inserted card contains file numbers which are larger than the file numbers recorded before changing the cards

The file number will be consecutive to the last file number recorded on the second card.

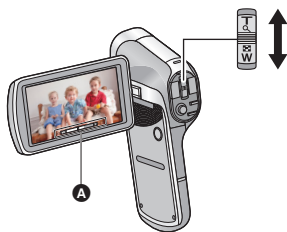
Example:

If you record files up to 0005 on a first card and then exchange the first card for a second card, which already has files up to 0015 recorded on it, the new file numbers on the second card will start from 0016.

- In the case of the built-in memory, when [FILE NO. CONT'D] is set to [ON] the file numbers can be given consecutive in the same way as when the card is used.

Using the zoom

- Set to Recording Mode. (→ 22)



Zoom lever

- T side:** Close-up recording (zoom in)
- W side:** Wide-angle recording (zoom out)

- **A** Zoom bar




- i.Zoom and Digital Zoom can be set in [ZOOM MODE]. (→ 54)

■ About the zoom bar



- **B** : Optical zoom
- **C** : i.Zoom/Digital Zoom (blue)

- During zoom operations, the zoom bar is displayed.
 - The magnification displayed at the left and right of the zoom bar is the minimum and maximum zoom magnification.
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- When recording motion pictures at high levels of magnification, we recommend fixing the unit to a tripod to prevent it moving.
 - If you take your finger off the zoom lever during zoom operation, the operation sound may be recorded. When returning the zoom lever to the original position, move it quietly.

- Angle of view displayed in the LCD monitor will differ when recording motion picture or still picture. At the time of purchase, recording standby screen is displaying the angle of view for recording motion picture, and it will switch to angle of view for recording still picture when the  button is pressed halfway. (→ 31)
When recording a still picture, zoom operation will run smoothly when [PHOTO VIEW] is set to  (ON) before performing zoom operation. (→ 72)
- The unit will focus from approximately 1 m (3.3 feet) or more when the zoom magnification is at its maximum. When the zoom magnification is 1×, this unit can focus on a subject approximately 10 cm (3.9 ") away from the lens. (When [INTELLIGENT AUTO] is set to [ON], or [FOCUS] is set to  (MACRO), you can record from as close as 1 cm (0.39 ") with the zoom magnification at 1 times and from 80 cm (2.6 feet) with the zoom magnification at its maximum.)

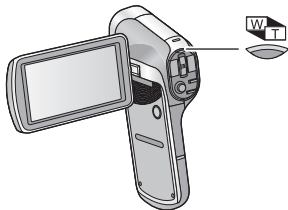
Double range zoom



VIDEO

The enlarged size will be approximately double size (double range zoom). Press again to return to normal size.

- **Set to Recording Mode.** (→ 22)

Press the zoom range button.



- On the normal zoom recording screen, the  icon is displayed. On the double-range zoom recording screen, the  icon is displayed.
- You cannot operate the zoom range button in the i.Zoom/Digital Zoom region (blue). (→ 52)
- The image enlarged using the double range zoom can be recorded only as a motion picture. Still pictures are recorded without being enlarged.

Zoom Mode


VIDEO**PHOTO**

Set the Digital Zoom and i.Zoom.

- **Select the menu.**

[MENU]:  → [ZOOM MODE] → desired setting

 (DIGITAL ZOOM): Digital Zoom

 (i.ZOOM): This zoom function allows you to maintain high-definition picture quality.

— (OFF): Optical zoom only

- The larger the Digital Zoom magnification, the more the image quality is degraded.
- With still picture recording, i.Zoom is disabled.

■ About the maximum zoom magnification

The maximum zoom magnification differs according to the mode and settings of the unit.







	Image Stabilizer for motion pictures	Double range zoom	W (Wide)	T (Tele)		
				Zoom Mode setting		
				— (OFF)	 (i.ZOOM)	 (DIGITAL ZOOM)
Motion picture recording	OFF/ON	 1×	6×	7.5×	60×	
		 2×	12×	15×	120×	
	ACTIVE MODE	 1×	5×	6×	50×	
		 2×	10×	12×	100×	
Still picture recording	—	—	1×	5×	5×	50×

Image Stabilizer

Use the Image Stabilizer to reduce the effects of shake during recording.

- **Set to Recording Mode. (→ 22)**


■ Image Stabilizer for motion pictures

Select the menu.

[MENU]:  → [E.I.S.(VIDEO)] → desired setting

 (ACTIVE MODE):


This setting gives more stabilization and is suitable for recording when moving.

 (ON):

This setting is suitable for recording in a stable state such as scenery.

 (OFF):

Cancel the setting.

- When  (ACTIVE MODE) is set, the field of view will differ from normal recording.

Video view in normal recording









Video view in  (ACTIVE MODE)



■ Image Stabilizer for still pictures

Select the menu.

[MENU]:  → [E.I.S.(PICTURE)] → [] (ON)

- Image Stabilizer does not work during zoom operations.
- When recording with a tripod, we recommend that you set the Image Stabilizer off.
- [SCENE MODE] will be set to — (OFF) when the [E.I.S.(PICTURE)] is set to  (ON) while the [SCENE MODE] (→ 66) is set to  (HDR Backlight Comp.).
- Stabilization may not be possible under strong camera shaking conditions.
- When [SCENE MODE] is set to  (FIREWORKS),  (NIGHT SCENERY),  (NIGHT PORTRAIT) or  (LOW LIGHT), the Image Stabilizer may be less effective.
- The screen may shake when using optical zoom or during the Auto Focus operation, but this does not indicate a fault.

Burst recording

Records a sequence of still pictures at a rate of 10 per second or 1 per second.

Use this function to record fast-moving subject.


- **Set to Recording Mode. (→ 22)**

1 Select the menu.

[MENU]:  → [BURST] → desired setting


(16M BURST):

Records approximately 1 still picture every 1 second.

The unit records as you hold down the  button, ending the recording when the maximum number of pictures in the burst are reached.



(3M BURST):

Records approximately 10 still pictures every 1 second.

The unit records as you hold down the  button, ending the recording when the maximum number of pictures in the burst are reached.



(16M REVERSE BURST):

Records approximately 1 still picture every 1 second.

The unit records as you hold down the  button. On release of the  button, it stores the maximum number of pictures in the burst, going back from the moment of release.

(3M REVERSE BURST):

Records approximately 10 still pictures every 1 second.

The unit records as you hold down the  button. On release of the  button, it stores the maximum number of pictures in the burst, going back from the moment of release.



– (OFF):

Cancel the setting.





2 (For Auto Focus only)


Press the  button halfway.

3 Press the button fully.

- During recording,  lights up in red.
- The Auto Focus works to fix the focus when the  button is pressed halfway.

■ Maximum number of pictures in the burst

[BURST] setting	Maximum number of pictures in the burst
 / 	8
 / 	40




- When recording with the self-timer, the recording ends when the maximum number of pictures in the burst is reached.
- When burst recording, the following functions are disabled and cannot be used.
 - [FLASH]
 -  [HDR Backlight Comp.] in [SCENE MODE]
 - [CREATIVE CONTROL]
 - [PANORAMA]
- The following functions cannot be used with burst recording.
 - [E.I.S.(PICTURE)]
 - [FACE FRAMING]
- With burst recording, the shutter speed is faster than 1/30.

Recording panorama still pictures

By recording while panning the unit vertically or horizontally you can record a 180° or 360° panorama still picture.

- **Set to Recording Mode.** (→ 22)

1 Select the menu.

[MENU]:  2 → [PANORAMA] →
 [] (360° PANORAMA) or [] (180° PANORAMA)

- A white cross is displayed on the LCD monitor.

2 Press the button to start the recording.

- A red cross is displayed at the center of the LCD monitor.



3 Pan the unit horizontally or vertically.

- The red cross will shift in the panning direction. Record in such a way that the red cross and the white cross align. (If the red cross separates from the guide, the panorama still picture cannot be correctly recorded)

(Example) When panning horizontally



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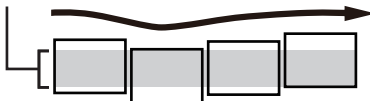
A guide

To stop panorama recording partway through

Press the  button.



■ Recording technique






Move the camera toward the direction of recording taking care not to shake. (Correct recording is not possible when the shake is too big)



■ About size of still pictures

The sizes of panorama still pictures are as follows.

Panorama setting	Picture size	
	Horizontal panorama still picture	Vertical panorama still picture
 (360° PANORAMA)	14400×720	1280×14400
 (180° PANORAMA)	7200×720	1280×7200

- During panorama still picture recording, the zoom function is disabled.
- If you record a motion picture with [PANORAMA] set to  (360° PANORAMA) or  (180° PANORAMA), zoom operations are available during recording but zoom will be automatically canceled when you stop.
- The panorama still picture that will be recorded will be narrower than what is displayed in the recording screen.
- Panorama still pictures are indicated by  or  in the 1-file or 8-file thumbnail display.
- When recording panorama still pictures, the following functions are disabled and cannot be used.
 - [FLASH], [SCENE MODE], [CREATIVE CONTROL], [BURST] and [SELF TIMER]
- The following function does not work with recording panorama still pictures.
 - [E.I.S.(PICTURE)]
- When recording panorama still pictures, [FOCUS] is set to  (AUTO).

- Focus and White Balance will be fixed to the optimal values for the still picture for first frame. Therefore, if focus, brightness or a light source changes drastically during recording, the panorama still picture as a whole may not be recorded with optimal focus or a color tone.
- Since panorama still picture is composed from multiple still pictures, there may be cases where the subject may warp or connection may stand out.
- In the following cases, it may not be possible to record correctly.
 - When the swing speed is too fast or too slow
 - When recording the subject that have monotone colors or patterns repeating (such as sky, sandy beach, etc.).
 - When recording moving subjects (such as people, pets, automobile, wave, flowers swaying in the wind, etc.)
 - When recording in a dark place
 - When recording in places with flickering light source such as fluorescent lamp, candle, etc.
 - When recording the unit held away from your body (axis of rotation)
- The recorded panorama picture will not be saved when the recording is terminated before reaching the half of the set angle. Even if the recording exceeds the halfway point, black strip will be recorded in the area that was not recorded when the recording is terminated before reaching the set angle.

Recording functions of menus

- **Set to Recording Mode. (→ 22)**

RECORDING MENU 1

[REC MODE]


VIDEO


AUDIO


You can switch between motion picture recording and audio recording, and switch the image quality of the motion picture to record.

[MENU]:  → [REC MODE] → **desired setting**

 *1: Records with 1920×1080 pixels. (60i)

 *2: Records with 1920×1080 pixels. (30p)


 : Records with 1280×720 pixels. (60p)

 : Records with 1280×720 pixels. (30p)


 *3: Records with 960×540 pixels. (30p)


 : Records with 640×480 pixels. (30p)

 : Records audio. (VOICE RECORD)

*1  is a format suitable for playback on a high-definition TV.

*2  is a format suitable for playback on a PC.

*3  is a format suitable for Mac (iMovie'11). It is recommended when using a Mac.

- **Recordable time using the battery (→ 14)**
- **Recordable time for SD cards and built-in memory (→ 159)**
- This function's default setting is  mode.
- Using [CREATIVE CONTROL] allows recording video with various types of filter effects added. (→ 64)

- When the unit is moved a lot or moved quickly, or when a fast-moving subject is recorded (particularly when recording in **480-30p** mode), mosaic-type noise may appear at playback.

[PICTURE SIZE]

PHOTO

The higher the number of pixels, the higher the clarity of the picture when printing.

[MENU]:  → [PICTURE SIZE] → **desired setting**

	Picture size	Aspect ratio
16M	4608×3456	4:3
14M	4352×3264	4:3
7M	3072×2304	4:3
3M	2048×1536	4:3
0.3M	640×480	4:3
10M	4352×2448	16:9
7.8M	3744×2106	16:9
3.5M	2560×1440	16:9
2M	1920×1080	16:9

You can add various types of filter effects when recording motion pictures and still pictures.


[MENU]:  → **[CREATIVE CONTROL]** → **desired setting**

— **(OFF):**

Cancel the setting.

 **(Miniature Effect (MINI)):**

Record motion pictures with miniature effects as if recording a miniature model.

 **(One Point Color (1CLR)):**

Record in black and white while keeping one selected color. (→ 65)

 **(Old Movie (OLD)):**

Record motion pictures with a retro feel.

 **(Time Lapse Rec (INTV))^{*1}:**

Record long, slow moving scenes by skipping certain intervals to create a short time-lapse video. (→ 65)

 **(Ghost Effect (GHOST))^{*1}:**

Record people and objects by leaving a faint ghost-like trail after them.

 **(Fish-eye Effect (FISH)):**

Record motion pictures as if recorded through a fish-eye lens.

 **(HDR Paint (HDRP))^{*2}:**


Record still pictures with picture effects.

 **(Soft Skin (SKIN)):**


Record with skin softening effects.

 **(Monochrome (B/W)):**


Record in monochrome.

 **(Sepia (SEPIA)):**

Record with colors adjusted to sepia.

 **(Vivid (VIVID)):**

Record with reduced sharpness and increased color.

 **(Soft (SOFT)):**

Record with reduced sharpness for a softer image.

*1 Mode for motion picture recording only

*2 Mode for still picture recording only

■ One Point Color

Select the color to leave with SET button, and press SET button.

■ Time Lapse Rec

Select the desired setting time ([1 sec]/[10 sec]/[30 sec]/[1 min]/[2 min]) with SET button, and press SET button.

- [INTV] (1 sec) / [INTV] (10 sec) / [INTV] (30 sec) / [INTV] (1 min) / [INTV] (2 min) will appear on the LCD monitor.
- 1 frame will be recorded every set recording intervals, and 10 frames will make up motion picture of 1 second.

Setup example	Setup time (recording interval)	Recording time	Recorded time
Sunset	1 sec	Approx. 1 h	Approx. 6 min
Blooming	30 sec	Approx. 3 h	Approx. 36 s

- Maximum recordable time is 12 hours.

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- When [CREATIVE CONTROL] is set, the [SCENE MODE] (→ 66), [BURST] (→ 57) and [PANORAMA] (→ 59) functions are set to – (OFF).

- **(Miniature Effect (MINI))**

- Audio is not recorded.
- [E.I.S.(VIDEO)] and [FACE FRAMING] are disabled.
- To make the Miniature Effect more noticeable, it is recommended use a tripod to record subjects that include far scenery, or subjects that have depth or are tilted, without using the zoom.
- Maximum recordable time is 12 hours.
- Recorded motion picture will look like time-lapsed.


- **(One Point Color (1CLR))**

- A color that is not set may stay depending on the subject.

- **(Old Movie (OLD))**

- Black vertical line is not recorded during the still picture recording (except for still picture recording while recording motion picture).
- [DIGITAL ZOOM] and [i.ZOOM] cannot be used.
- [FACE FRAMING] is disabled.

- **(Time Lapse Rec (INTV))**

- Audio is not recorded.
- Minimum motion picture recording time is 1 second.
- [REC MODE] will be .
- [E.I.S.(VIDEO)] is disabled.
- Color balance and focus may not be adjusted automatically depending on light sources or scenes. If so, manually adjust these settings. (→ 81, 83)





- **(Ghost Effect (GHOST))**

- This will not work during the still picture recording (except for still picture recording while recording motion picture).
- [E.I.S.(VIDEO)] is disabled.
- If you record a still picture during motion picture recording, a ghost effect will be recorded.

- **(Fish-eye Effect (FISH))**

- [E.I.S.(VIDEO)] and [FACE FRAMING] are disabled.

- **(HDR Paint (HDRP))**

- We recommend use of a tripod.
- The flash is disabled.
-  will be used when [PICTURE SIZE] is set to .
- [BURST] and [PANORAMA] are set to – (OFF).
- [E.I.S.(PICTURE)] is set to  (OFF).
- [METERING MODE] is set to  (MULTI).
- [ISO] is set to AUTO.
- The field of view of the recorded still picture is smaller than the range visible on the recording screen.

[INTELLIGENT AUTO]





Please refer to page 36.

[SCENE MODE]





When you record images in different situations, this mode automatically sets optimum shutter speeds and apertures.

[MENU]:  → [SCENE MODE] → **desired setting**

- **(OFF):**

Cancel the setting.

 **(SPORTS):**

To make fast moving scenes less shaky with slow playback and pause of playback.

 **(PORTRAIT):**

To make people stand out against the background.

 **(SPOT LIGHT):**

Improved quality when subject is brightly illuminated.

 **(SNOW):**

Improved image quality when shooting in snowy locations.

 **(BEACH):**

To make blue in the sea or sky vibrant.

 **(SUNSET):**

To make red in the sunrise or sunset vibrant.

 **(FIREWORKS):**

To capture the fireworks in the night sky beautifully.

 **(LANDSCAPE):**


For spatial scenery.

 **(NIGHT SCENERY):**

To capture the evening or night scenery beautifully.

 **(NIGHT PORTRAIT):**

To capture a person and the background brightly.

 **(HDR Backlight Comp.)*:**

Provides definition in regions that would otherwise be black or white.


 **(LOW LIGHT):**

For dark scenes, such as at dusk.
















* Mode for still picture recording only. This will not operate during the motion picture recording.














● **(SUNSET/FIREWORKS/LANDSCAPE/NIGHT SCENERY/NIGHT PORTRAIT)**

– Image may get blurry when close object is recorded.

- **(FIREWORKS)**
 - The shutter speed is 1/30. (Motion picture recording)
 - Image may get washed out when recorded in bright surrounding.
 -  (the camera shake icon) is displayed constantly when recording still pictures, but this does not indicate a fault.
- **(NIGHT SCENERY/NIGHT PORTRAIT/HDR Backlight Comp.)**
 - Using a tripod is recommended.
- **(LOW LIGHT)**
 - The shutter speed is 1/15 or more. (Motion picture recording)
- **(HDR Backlight Comp.)**
 - When recording a moving subject, a ghost image may appear.
 - The field of view of the recorded still picture is smaller than the range displayed on the recording screen.

■ Limitations of Scene Mode settings

Setting	Limitations
 (SPORTS)	PANORAMA: Fixed to — (OFF). CREATIVE CONTROL: Fixed to OFF. FOCUS: Fixed to  .
 (PORTRAIT)	
 (SPOT LIGHT)	
 (SNOW)	
 (BEACH)	PANORAMA: Fixed to — (OFF). CREATIVE CONTROL: Fixed to OFF. FOCUS: Fixed to  .
 (SUNSET)	
 (FIREWORKS)	PANORAMA: Fixed to — (OFF). CREATIVE CONTROL: Fixed to OFF. FOCUS: Fixed to  .
 (LANDSCAPE)	FLASH: Fixed to  .
	ISO: Fixed to AUTO. FACE FRAMING: Fixed to — (OFF). EXP COMPENSATION: Fixed to ± 0. WHITE BALANCE: Fixed to AWB.
 (LANDSCAPE)	ISO: Fixed to AUTO. FACE FRAMING: Fixed to — (OFF). EXP COMPENSATION: Fixed to ± 0. WHITE BALANCE: Fixed to AWB.
	PANORAMA: Fixed to — (OFF). CREATIVE CONTROL: Fixed to OFF.
	FOCUS: Fixed to  .
 (LANDSCAPE)	FACE FRAMING: Fixed to — (OFF).
	FACE FRAMING: Fixed to — (OFF).

Setting	Limitations
 (NIGHT SCENERY)	PANORAMA: Fixed to — (OFF). CREATIVE CONTROL: Fixed to OFF. FOCUS: Fixed to  . FLASH: Fixed to  . FACE FRAMING: Fixed to — (OFF).
*  (NIGHT PORTRAIT)	PANORAMA: Fixed to — (OFF). CREATIVE CONTROL: Fixed to OFF. FOCUS: Fixed to  .
 (HDR Backlight Comp.)	BURST: Fixed to — (OFF). PANORAMA: Fixed to — (OFF). CREATIVE CONTROL: Fixed to OFF. FOCUS: Fixed to  . FLASH: Fixed to  . E.I.S.(PICTURE): Fixed to  . METERING MODE: Fixed to  . ISO: Fixed to AUTO. PICTURE SIZE: [16M] setting is disabled. ([16M] setting is changed to [14M] setting)
 (LOW LIGHT)	PANORAMA: Fixed to — (OFF). CREATIVE CONTROL: Fixed to OFF. FOCUS: Fixed to  . FLASH: Fixed to  . ISO: Fixed to AUTO.

[ZOOM MODE]

VIDEO

PHOTO

Please refer to page 54.

RECORDING MENU 2

[BURST]

PHOTO

Please refer to page 57.


[PANORAMA]

PHOTO




Please refer to page 59.









[FLASH]

PHOTO

When the  button is pressed, the flash is activated and the still picture will be recorded. Use the built-in flash in order to record still pictures in dark places.




[MENU]:  → [FLASH] → desired setting

 (AUTO):	The unit determines the brightness of the subject and emits a flash if necessary.
 (ON):	The unit emits a flash irrespective of the brightness of the subject.
 (OFF):	Cancel the setting.


- When [FLASH] is set to  **(AUTO)** or  **(ON)**, [BURST] and [PANORAMA] are set to — (OFF).
- [SCENE MODE] will be set to — (OFF) when the [FLASH] is set to  **(AUTO)** or  **(ON)** while the [SCENE MODE] (→ 66) is set to  (FIREWORKS),  (NIGHT SCENERY),  (HDR Backlight Comp.), or  (LOW LIGHT).
- If you register a shortcut function (→ 77) to the SET button, you can change the flash setting from the recording screen.



The timer can be used to record images or audio.

[MENU]:  → **[SELF TIMER]** → **desired setting**


-  **(OFF):** Cancel the setting.
-  **(2 sec):** Records after 2 seconds.
-  **(10 sec):** Records after 10 seconds.






When **(2 sec)** is selected

When you press the  button or the recording start/stop button, the status indicator flashes red for approximately 2 seconds, then recording begins.

On the LCD monitor, an indication of ( → ) appears to notify you of the recording timing.


When **(10 sec)** is selected






When you press the  button or the recording start/stop button, the status indicator flashes red for approximately 10 seconds, then recording begins.

On the LCD monitor, an indication of ( →  →  →  → ) appears to notify you of the recording timing.

- After the recording, the self-timer setting is canceled.

To stop the timer midway through

Press the  button or the recording start/stop button.

- Setting the self-timer to  or  is a good way to prevent image shake when the  button is pressed while using a tripod etc.
- If you register a shortcut function (→ 77) to the SET button, you can change the self-timer setting from the recording screen.
- If you set [FOCUS] (→ 83) to  (AUTO) or  (MACRO) when recording still pictures, the unit will focus automatically immediately before recording.
- With motion picture recording/audio recording, recording does not turn off automatically.

- If you perform any of the following cases, the self-timer will be canceled.
 - If you turn the unit off
 - If you change to the Playback Mode
 - If you send unit into Standby Mode


[PHOTO VIEW]


VIDEO

PHOTO

Selects the desired field of view (photo view or video view) for the recording standby screen display. When photo view is selected, a frame to show the field of view during video recording appears.

[MENU]:  → [PHOTO VIEW] → desired setting

 (ON): Photo view

 (OFF): Video view




A




- **A** Video recording area
- If you register a shortcut function (→ 77) to the SET button, you can change the photo view setting from the recording screen.

[AUTO REVIEW]

PHOTO

Sets the period for which the recorded image appears on the LCD monitor after the  button is pressed.

[MENU]:  2 → [AUTO REVIEW] → **desired setting**

-  **(1 sec):** Still pictures are displayed for approximately 1 second after being recorded.
-  **(2 sec):** Still pictures are displayed for approximately 2 seconds after being recorded.
-  **(OFF):** Still pictures are not displayed after being recorded.

3 RECORDING MENU 3

[E.I.S.(VIDEO)]

VIDEO

Please refer to page 55.

[E.I.S.(PICTURE)]

PHOTO

Please refer to page 56.

[WHITE BALANCE]

VIDEO

PHOTO

Please refer to page 81.

This allows the sensitivity to light (ISO sensitivity) to be set. Setting to a higher number enables pictures to be taken even in dark places without the resulting pictures coming out dark.




[MENU]:  → [ISO] → **desired setting**

AUTO:

ISO sensitivity will be adjusted automatically to suit the brightness.

50/100/200/400/800/1600:

Fixes the value to each ISO sensitivity.

- The displayed ISO display value is the standard output sensitivity.
- The higher the ISO sensitivity, the greater the capability of the unit to record with fast shutter speeds and in dark environments. However, a higher sensitivity may also mean more noise in the recorded image and a more grainy image.
- [SCENE MODE] will be set to — (OFF) when the [ISO] is set to other than AUTO while the [SCENE MODE] (→ 66) is set to  (FIREWORKS),  (HDR Backlight Comp.), or  (LOW LIGHT).
- If you register a shortcut function (→ 77) to the SET button, you can change the ISO sensitivity setting from the recording screen.

Please refer to page 83.



[FOCUS MODE]



VIDEO

PHOTO

You can select the focusing method according to the position of the subject.

[MENU]:  → [FOCUS MODE] → **desired setting**

 (9-PT AUTOFOCUS): The unit determines the focus automatically from 9 focus points () in the recording range.

 (SPOT FOCUS): The unit focuses on the subject over the focus mark () displayed at the center of the LCD monitor.



RECORDING MENU 4


[METERING MODE]


VIDEO



PHOTO

You can change the light-metering method used to measure brightness.

[MENU]:  → [METERING MODE] → **desired setting**

 (MULTI): The unit automatically assesses the distribution of brightness over the screen and meters to ensure that the exposure is appropriate.

 (CENTER): The unit averages light measurements over the entire screen, giving higher weight to the subject at the center of the screen.

 (SPOT): The unit meters the subject over spot meter target () displayed at the center of the LCD monitor.

- [SCENE MODE] will be set to — (OFF) when the [METERING MODE] is set to  (CENTER) or  (SPOT) while the [SCENE MODE] (→ 66) is set to  (HDR Backlight Comp.).


The camera automatically detects the person's face.











[MENU]:  → [FACE FRAMING] → [ (ON)]

■ About prioritized face framing

The prioritized face frame is displayed in yellow. When the unit is set to Portrait Mode in Intelligent Auto Mode, the unit will focus on the prioritized face frame and adjust the brightness accordingly.



- The gray frames are for face detection only.
- When you press the  button halfway while recording still pictures, the unit focuses on the prioritized frame. When focus is achieved, the prioritized frame turns green.
- A maximum of 15 frames are detected, with the frames near the center of the screen and large frames being prioritized.


- For still pictures with detected faces,  is displayed on the 1-file thumbnail display. (→ 41)
- If the subject is small or dark on the LCD monitor, the unit may not be able to detect it.
- [SCENE MODE] will be automatically set to — (OFF) when the [FACE FRAMING] is set to  (ON) while the [SCENE MODE] (→ 66) is set to  (FIREWORKS),  (LANDSCAPE), or  (NIGHT SCENERY).
- [FOCUS MODE] (→ 75) is set to  (9-PT AUTOFOCUS) and [METERING MODE] (→ 75) is set to  (MULTI).
- In the following cases, [FACE FRAMING] does not work.
 - During burst recording (→ 57)
 - During panorama still picture recording (→ 59)
 - When [CREATIVE CONTROL] (→ 64) is set to  (Miniature Effect (MINI)),  (Old Movie (OLD)), or  (Fish-eye Effect (FISH))
- When [FOCUS] (→ 83) is set to MF (MANUAL), Auto Focus is disabled.
- When it is set to [ISO] (→ 74) or [EXP COMPENSATION] (→ 80), brightness may not be able to be adjusted.

This is for reducing the wind noise coming into the built-in microphones.

[MENU]:  → [WIND CUT] → [ (ON)]

- This function's default setting is [ (ON)].
- You may not see the full effect depending on the recording conditions.

This setting registers the functions (shortcut functions) performed when the SET button is tilted up, down, left and right with the recording screen displayed.

[MENU]:  → [SHORTCUTS]

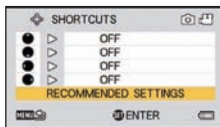
- 1 **Select the destination (up, down, left or right on the SET button) for the function using the SET button and press the SET button.**



Functions are registered individually to up, down, left and right of the SET button.

RECOMMENDED SETTINGS:

Regular functions are automatically registered.



- 2 **Select the function to register using the SET button, and press the SET button.**

AF-L (AF LOCK):



Locks the focus. (→ 79)

AE-L (AE LOCK):

Locks the exposure. (→ 79)

▲ (FOCUS):

Sets the focus. (→ 83)

(Can be registered to  and  only)

⚡ (FLASH):

Sets the flash operation. (→ 70)

 (EXP COMPENSATION):

Corrects the exposure. (→ 80)

ISO (ISO):

Sets the ISO sensitivity. (→ 74)

 (SELF TIMER):

Sets the self-timer. (→ 71)

 (PHOTO VIEW):

Sets photo view. (→ 72)

[OFF]:

Shortcut functions are not registered.

- To continue and register other functions, repeat Steps 1 and 2.

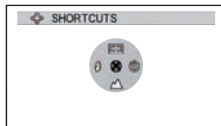
- 3 **Press the MENU button.**

- A confirmation screen for the shortcut settings appears.

- 4 **Press the MENU button to complete the settings.**

- 5 **Tilt the SET button in the direction in which you registered the function.**

- Each tip of the SET button changes the registered function setting.




- To confirm the shortcut settings, press the MENU button on the screen in Step 1. A confirmation screen appears.

■ AF lock

If you register AF lock as a shortcut function (→ 77), you can record with the focus locked.

● Register the shortcut function. (→ 77)

Tilt the **SET** button in the direction to which you registered AF lock.


- AF-L will appear on the LCD monitor.
- When [FOCUS] is set to MF (MANUAL), AF Lock is disabled.
- The AF lock setting is canceled if any of the following operations are performed.
 - If the SET button is tilted in the direction used to register AF lock
 - Setting Playback Mode
 - If [SCENE MODE] is set to  (FIREWORKS)
 - If the [FOCUS] setting is changed
 - Turning off the unit
 - Setting Standby Mode

■ AE lock

If you register AE lock as a shortcut function (→ 77), you can record with the exposure locked.

● Register the shortcut function. (→ 77)

Tilt the **SET** button in the direction to which you registered AE lock.

- AE-L will appear on the LCD monitor.
- The AE lock setting is canceled if any of the following operations are performed.
 - If the SET button is tilted in the direction used to register AE lock
 - Setting Playback Mode
 - If the [SCENE MODE] setting is changed
 - If [CREATIVE CONTROL] is set to  (HDR Paint (HDRP))
 - If the [ISO] setting is changed
 - If the [WHITE BALANCE] setting is changed
 - If the [EXP COMPENSATION] setting is changed
 - Turning off the unit
 - Setting Standby Mode

■ Exposure compensation

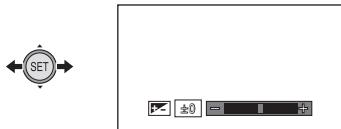
If you register exposure compensation as a shortcut function (→ 77), you can record with altered brightness.

● Register the shortcut function (→ 77)

1 Tilt the SET button in the direction to which you registered the exposure compensation.

● The exposure compensation bar is displayed.

2 Tilt the SET button to the left or right to correct the exposure.



- The exposure compensation value is displayed to the left side of the exposure compensation bar.
- The exposure compensation value can be corrected in the range -1.8 to $+1.8$.
- The exposure compensation bar disappears when the SET button is pressed.
- The exposure setting is canceled if any of the following operations are performed.
 - Setting the pointer to ± 0
 - Setting Playback Mode
 - Changing the [SCENE MODE] settings
 - Turning off the unit
 - Setting Standby Mode

Manual recording







White Balance

Automatic White Balance function may not reproduce natural colors depending on the scenes or lighting conditions. If so, you can adjust the White Balance manually.

1 Select the menu.

[MENU]:  → [WHITE BALANCE]

2 Select the White Balance using the SET button, and press the SET button.


 (AUTO):	The unit adjusts the White Balance automatically.
 (SUNNY):	Outdoors under a clear sky
 (CLOUDY):	Outdoors under cloudy sky
 (INDOOR 1):	Incandescent light, video lights like in the studio, etc.
 (INDOOR 2):	Color fluorescent lamps, sodium lamps in gymnasiums, etc.
 (WHITE SET):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mercury-vapor lamps, sodium lamps, some fluorescent lights • Lights used for wedding receptions at hotels, stage spotlights in theaters • Sunrise, sunset, etc.




- To return to auto setting, select **AWB (AUTO)**.

■ To set the White Balance manually

1 Point the unit at a white subject that fills the screen.

2 Select the  (WHITE SET) and press the SET button.


- The LCD monitor display will go dark for a moment and then return to the recording menu. When the  icon appears on the recording menu, the White Balance has been set.

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- When the brightness changes or the recording location changes and the color balance is no longer correct, check whether the White Balance setting is suitable for the light source.
 - If you turn on the unit with the lens cap still fitted, the Automatic White Balance will not be set correctly. Always remove the lens cap before turning on the unit.
 - [SCENE MODE] will be set to — (OFF) when the [WHITE BALANCE] is set to other than AWB (AUTO) while the [SCENE MODE] (→ 66) is set to  (BEACH),  (SUNSET), or  (FIREWORKS).



Setting the focus and recording

Set the focus in accordance with the distance to the subject.

1 Select the menu.

[MENU]:  → [FOCUS] → desired setting



2 Select the item to set using the SET button and press the SET button.

- | | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|  (AUTO): | The focus is set automatically. |
| MF (MANUAL): | Adjusts the focus manually when it is difficult to achieve focus automatically. |
|  (MACRO): | Select when recording a subject from close range. |

■ Using Manual Focus

- 1 Select MF (MANUAL) and press the SET button.
 - The bar for setting the focus appears.
- 2 Tilt the SET button left or right to set the focus, and press the SET button.
 - Set the focus and return to the recording screen.



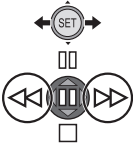
- When focus is set to MF (MANUAL) or  (MACRO), the [PANORAMA] and [SCENE MODE] functions are set to — (OFF).
- When you set the focus to  (MACRO), start with the zoom set to Wide (W).
- If you register a shortcut function (→ 77) to the SET button, you can change the focus setting from the recording screen.
- In certain cases, it may be difficult to achieve focus automatically.




Playback Operations

Playback using operation icon

VIDEO PHOTO AUDIO

For details on the basic playback operations, refer to page 39.

Playback operation	SET button/ Playback display	Operating steps
<p>VIDEO</p> <p>AUDIO</p> <p>Fast forward/ fast-rewind playback</p>	<p>During Playback</p> 	<p>Tilt the SET button to the right during playback for fast-forward playback (tilt to the left for fast-rewind playback).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each tip of the SET button changes the playback speed. (Maximum 15× normal speed) • Tilt the SET button in the opposite direction during forward winding or rewinding to slow the winding speed. • Press the SET button to restore normal playback.

Playback operation	SET button/ Playback display	Operating steps
<p>VIDEO Slow-motion playback</p>	<p>During Pause</p> 	<p>With playback paused, tilt the SET button to the right for approximately 3 seconds (tilt to the left for reverse slow-motion playback)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Press the SET button to restore normal playback.
<p>VIDEO Frame-by-Frame Playback</p>		<p>With playback paused, tilt the SET button to the right (tilt to the left for reverse Frame-by-Frame Playback)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Reverse frame-by-frame playback will be in 1 second interval (1080-60i, 1080-30p, 720-30p, iFrame, and 480-30p) or 0.5 second interval (720-60p). ● Press the SET button to restore normal playback.
<p>PHOTO Scroll playback</p>	<p>During stop/ during pause</p> 	<p>Press the SET button during the display of the panorama still picture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● When playing back a horizontal panorama still picture, the playback scrolls from left to right. ● When playing back a vertical panorama still picture, the playback scrolls from down to up. ● Pressing the SET button again to pause the scroll playback.

Creating still picture from motion picture

VIDEO








A single frame from the recorded motion picture can be saved as a still picture. The picture size of the still picture to be created will differ depending on the Recording Mode of the recorded motion picture.

1 Pause at the location to be saved as a still picture during the playback.


- You may find it convenient to use slow motion playback and Frame-by-Frame Playback here.
- Creating a still picture while [CREATIVE CONTROL] (→ 93) is set allows still pictures with filter effects added to be saved.

2 Press the button fully.

3 Select the aspect ratio of the still picture to be saved and press the SET button.

Aspect ratio	Recording Mode	Picture size
16:9		1920×1080
		1280×720
		960×540
4:3		1920×1440
		1280×960
		960×720
		640×480


* White bands will be recorded at the top and bottom of still pictures.

- Date the motion picture was recorded will be registered as date of the still picture.
- Quality will be different from the normal still picture.
- When creating a still picture from a recorded motion picture in  Recording Mode, [16:9] cannot be selected.
- The still picture is saved with a new file number.

Cutting out a section of a panorama still picture

PHOTO

You can cut out and save a section of a panorama still picture you have recorded.

- 1 Display the panorama still picture.**
- 2 Press the SET button to start scroll playback of the panorama still picture.**
- 3 Press the SET button to pause at the section you wish to cut out.**
- 4 Press the  button fully.**
 - The cut-out still picture is saved with picture size of 1280×720.
 - The date and time of the recording of the panorama still picture are stored as the date and time of the cut-out picture.
 - The cut-out still picture is saved with a new file number.

Zooming in on a still picture during playback (Playback zoom)

PHOTO

You can zoom in on still pictures during playback.

- 1 Move the zoom lever to Q side.**
 - You can zoom in to a maximum of 72× (7200%). (The maximum zoom magnification differs according to the size of the still picture)
 - The unit zooms in on the central portion of the image.
 - If the still picture has been recorded using face detection (→ 76), the unit zooms in on the detected face.




- When you zoom in on a rotated still picture with a 4:3 or 16:9 aspect ratio, the still picture before rotation is displayed. With a panorama still picture, the rotated picture is displayed. (→ 94)

2 Shift the position of the zoomed portion using the SET button.



Zooming out from the zoomed still picture

Move the zoom lever to  side to zoom out.

Press the SET button to restore the normal display (100%) screen.

■ **Saving the zoomed still picture**

Press the  button fully while zoomed in.

- Saving the zoomed still picture while [CREATIVE CONTROL] (→ 93) is set allows still pictures with filter effects added to be saved.
- The rotation information is retained for the 4:3 and 16:9 rotated still pictures. The rotation information is not retained for the panorama still picture, but rotated still picture is saved.
- In the case of still pictures recorded using face detection, the face detection data is not retained.

- The more a picture is enlarged, the more its quality deteriorates.
- The date and time of the recording of the original still picture are stored as the date and time of any picture stored after zooming.

Various playback functions

Changing the playback settings and playing back the slide show

VIDEO PHOTO AUDIO

- Set to Playback Mode. (→ 22)

1 Select the file to start the slideshow with the thumbnail screen.

- Move the yellow frame over the file you want to start playing back as a slideshow.
- When the [CREATIVE CONTROL] (→ 93) is set, it is possible to playback the slideshow of the files with filter effect applied.

2 Select the menu.

[MENU]:  → [SLIDESHOW] → desired setting

3 Select the item to set using the SET button and press the SET button.

[MODE]:

Select the type ([ALL]/[VIDEO]/[PICTURE]) of the file to play back.

[SLIDES INTERVAL]*:

Select the display interval for still picture playback.

[EFFECT SETUP]*:

Select the effects for still picture playback.

[MUSIC SELECT]:

Select the music for still picture playback.

[START]:

Start the slide show.

* These settings are only available when [ALL] or [PICTURE] has been selected in [MODE].

4 (On selecting [MODE])

Select the type of file to play back using the SET button and press the SET button.

(On selecting [SLIDES INTERVAL])

Select an item using the SET button and press the SET button.

[SHORT]:	approx. 1 second
[NORMAL]:	approx. 5 seconds
[LONG]:	approx. 15 seconds

(On selecting [EFFECT SETUP])

Select the desired effect using the SET button and press the SET button.

- [EFFECT SETUP] is disabled for the playback of panorama still pictures.

(On selecting [MUSIC SELECT])

Select the desired music using the SET button and press the SET button.

- When you are playing back scenes/audio files, the audio of the scenes/audio files is played back without music. When playing back the scenes with [CREATIVE CONTROL] (→ 64) set to **MINI** (Miniature Effect (MINI)) or **INTV** (Time Lapse Rec (INTV)), music selected in [MUSIC SELECT] is played back.

5 **Select [START] using the SET button and press the SET button.**

- Panorama still pictures are played back as follows.
 - Horizontal panorama still picture: the playback scrolls from left to right.
 - Vertical panorama still picture: playback scrolls from down to up.
- To adjust the volume during a slideshow, operate the volume lever. (→ 41)
- During playback, the slideshow will stop if you perform any operation except operations on the volume lever.

Displaying file information

VIDEO PHOTO AUDIO

You can display the information of files recorded with the unit.

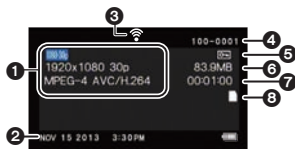
- Set to Playback Mode. (→ 22)

1 Using the SET button, select file for which to display information.

2 Press and hold down the MENU button for 1 second or more.

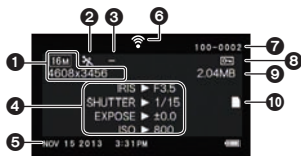
- To make the information disappear, press the MENU button.

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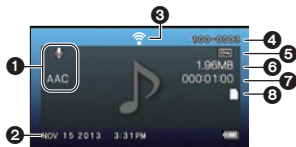
- 1 Recording Mode
- 2 Recording format
- 3 Eye-Fi connection status
- 4 File number
- 5 Protection setting
- 6 File size
- 7 Recording time
- 8 Recording media

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- 1 Picture size
- 2 Scene Mode
- 3 Creative control
- 4 IRIS: Aperture
SHUTTER: Shutter speed
EXPOSE: Exposure correction
ISO: ISO sensitivity
- 5 Recording date and time
- 6 Eye-Fi connection status
- 7 File number
- 8 Protection setting
- 9 File size
- 10 Recording media

AUDIO



- 1 Recording Mode
- Recording format
- 2 Recording start time and date
- 3 Eye-Fi connection status
- 4 File number
- 5 Protection setting
- 6 File size
- 7 Recording time
- 8 Recording media

Using the playback menu

- **Set to Playback Mode. (→ 22)**



PLAYBACK MENU 1

[SLIDESHOW]

VIDEO

PHOTO

AUDIO

Please refer to page 89.

[CREATIVE CONTROL]

VIDEO

PHOTO


You can add various types of filter effects when recording motion pictures and still pictures and play them back.

- 1 **Select the file to add the filter effects with the thumbnail screen.**
- 2 **Select the menu.**

[MENU]:  → [CREATIVE CONTROL] → desired setting

— (OFF):

Cancel the setting.

 **(One Point Color (1CLR)):**


Playback in black and white while keeping one selected color. (→ 65)

 **(Old Movie (OLD)):**


Playback motion pictures with a retro feel.

 **(Fish-eye Effect (FISH))*:**

Playback motion pictures as if recorded through a fish-eye lens.

 **(Soft Skin (SKIN)):**

Playback with skin softening effects.

 **(Monochrome (B/W)):**

Playback in monochrome.

 **(Sepia (SEPIA)):**

Playback with colors adjusted to sepia.

 **(Vivid (VIVID)):**

Playback with reduced sharpness and increased color.

SOFT (Soft (SOFT)):

Playback with reduced sharpness for a softer image.

* Disabled during panorama playback of still pictures.

3 (when 1CLR (One Point Color (1CLR)) is selected only)

Tilt the SET button up and down to select the color to keep and press the SET button.

- The quality of motion pictures and still pictures recorded with [CREATIVE CONTROL] (→ 64) is different.
- Turning the unit off or switching to the recording mode will cancel the setting.


[PLAY VOLUME]

VIDEO

AUDIO

Sets the playback volume for scene and audio files.

1 **Select the menu.**

[MENU]:  → [PLAY VOLUME]

2 **Tilt the SET button right or left and press the SET button.**

- Play volume can also be set with the volume lever. (→ 41)

[PROTECT] or**[TRANSFER/PROTECT]**

VIDEO

PHOTO

AUDIO

Please refer to page 103 for details about protection setting.

Please refer to page 136 for details about selective forwarding.

[DELETE]

VIDEO

PHOTO

AUDIO

Please refer to page 100.

[ROTATE]

PHOTO

You can rotate still pictures.

1 **Select the still picture to rotate using the thumbnail screen.**

- Move the yellow frame over the still picture you wish to rotate.

2 **Select the menu.**

[MENU]:  ₁ → [ROTATE] → [RIGHT] or [LEFT]

- To rotate another still picture, tilt the SET button left and right to select a still picture, select [RIGHT] or [LEFT], and press the SET button.

3 Press the MENU button to complete the settings.

- The still picture cannot be rotated if it has been protected. Turn off the protection before the rotation operation. (→ 103)

PLAYBACK MENU 2

[RESIZE]

PHOTO

You can reduce the size of the still picture and save as a new still picture.

1 Select the still picture to resize using the thumbnail screen.

- Move the yellow frame over the still picture you wish to resize.

2 Select the menu.

[MENU]:  ₂ → [RESIZE] → desired setting

Size of original image	Resize setting	Size after resizing
16M / 14M / 7M / 3M	2M	1600×1200
	0.3M	640×480
10M / 7.8M / 3.5M / 2M	2M*	1920×1080
	0.9M	1280×720

* Cannot be selected when the size of the original image is 2M.

- The resized still picture is saved with a new file number.
- Still picture with picture size of 0.3M and panorama still picture cannot be resized.

[RED-EYE CORRECT.]

PHOTO

Corrects eye color when they appear red in still pictures (red-eye phenomenon).


- 1 **Select the still picture to undergo red-eye correction using the thumbnail screen.**
 - Move the yellow frame over the still picture which is to undergo red-eye correction.
- 2 **Select the menu.**

[MENU]:  → [RED-EYE CORRECT.] → [CORRECTION]

- A correction confirmation screen appears. Check the correction location, which is surrounded by a red frame, and press the SET button.
- 3 **Select the saving method and press the SET button.**

[SAVE AS NEW]: The corrected still picture is saved as a new still picture.

[OVERWRITE]: The original still picture is deleted and only the corrected still picture is saved.

- Red-eye cannot be corrected in panorama still pictures or still pictures recorded with [CREATIVE CONTROL] set to  (HDR Paint (HDRP)).
- Because the unit automatically corrects the portion it recognizes as requiring correction, it may not always make the correction correctly.

[EDIT VIDEO]

VIDEO

You can cut unwanted sections from scenes. (Scene splitting) You can also splice multiple scenes together. (Scene splicing)

■ Splitting a scene

- 1 **Select the scene to split using the thumbnail screen.**
 - Move the yellow frame over the scene you wish to split.
- 2 **Select the menu.**

[MENU]:  → [EDIT VIDEO] → []\| [SPLIT]

3 Specify the starting position for the scene.

- Play back to near the position where you wish the scene to start, then pause playback and specify the starting position precisely using Frame-by-Frame Playback. The pause position will be the starting position of the scene.
- If you wish the split scene to start from the beginning of the scene, go to Step 4.



Operations

Play back	With the unit paused, tilt the SET button to the right for approximately 2 seconds to play back normally, and to the left to play back in the reverse direction.
Pause	During playback, press the SET button.
Fast forward/ fast-rewind	During playback, you can change the playback speed by tilting the SET button right or left.
Frame-by-frame	With the unit paused, tilt the SET button to the right to advance frame-by-frame, and to the left to reverse frame-by-frame.

4 Tilt the SET button up.

- The screen for specifying the end position of the scene appears.

5 Specify the end position for the scene.

- Set the end position by performing the same operations as when setting the start position.
- The portions displayed in green are saved.
- If you wish to splice a preceding section to a subsequent section, tilt the SET button down. Each downward tilt of the SET button changes the section to be deleted.

6 Press the button or the recording start/stop button.

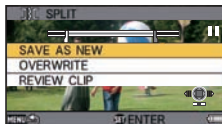


7 Select a saving method using the SET button and press the SET button.

[SAVE AS NEW]: The split scene is saved as a new scene.

[OVERWRITE]: The original scene is deleted and only the split scene is saved.

[REVIEW CLIP]: The scene is played back in the split state.




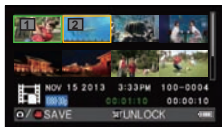
■ Scene splicing

- 1 Select the scene with the thumbnail screen.**
 - Move the yellow frame over the scene.
- 2 Select the menu.**

[MENU]:  **2** → **[EDIT VIDEO]** → **[]+[(SPLICE)]**

3 Move the yellow frame over the scenes you wish to splice and press the SET button.

- Scenes recorded using different Recording Modes cannot be spliced.
 - Scenes recorded with **[REC MODE]** (→ 62) set to **720-30p** and scenes recorded with **[CREATIVE CONTROL]** (→ 64) set to **INTV** [Time Lapse Rec (INTV)] cannot be spliced.
 - The scenes you select for splicing are assigned numbers.
 - The recording date of spliced scenes will be registered from the date of the scene that is selected first (the scene with **1** displayed).
 - You can continue selecting up to maximum of 9 scenes.
 - The scenes are spliced in numerical order according to the assigned numbers.
 - To cancel a selection, press the SET button again.
- 4 Press the  button or the recording start/stop button.**



5 Select a saving method using the SET button and press the SET button.

- [SAVE AS NEW]:** The spliced scenes are saved as a new scene.
- [OVERWRITE]:** The spliced scene is saved by writing over the file you initially selected.
- [REVIEW CLIP]:** The scene resulting from the splicing is played back.



- Do not turn off the unit during motion picture editing process. If the unit is turned off, there is a risk that the edited files and original files will be lost.
- When editing ends, the unit returns to thumbnail display.
- If the total size of the file exceeds 4 GB, you cannot splice.
- If the original scene is protected, you cannot overwrite it when saving.
- Audio files cannot be split or spliced.
- To adjust the volume during a playback review, operate the volume lever. (→ 41)
- When editing long motion pictures, the processing will take longer due to the time it takes to process large files. When editing scenes on the unit, make sure that the battery does not run out during the processing by using a battery with sufficient charge on it or the AC adaptor.
- For editing long scenes, we recommend using a PC (HD Writer VE 3.0).
- It may not be possible to split short scenes.
- The actual splitting point may differ slightly from the specified position.

[COPY]

VIDEO

PHOTO

AUDIO

Please refer to page 111.

Deleting files/folders

When an SD card is inserted, the files and folders on the SD card are deleted. When not inserted, the files and folders in the built-in memory are deleted.

Deleted files and folders cannot be restored, so perform appropriate confirmation of the contents before proceeding with deletion.

Deleting displayed file

- Set to Playback Mode. (→ 22)
- Switch from thumbnail display to 1-file display. (→ 41)

1 Select the file to delete using the SET button.



2 Tilt the SET button up.

3 Select [DELETE] using the SET button and press the SET button.

Deleting multiple files at once

- Set to Playback Mode. (→ 22)

1 Select the menu.


[MENU]:  → [DELETE]

- ### 2 Using the SET button, select [DELETE SELECTED], [DELETE ALL] or [DELETE FOLDER] and press the SET button.



■ Deleting selected files

- ### 3 (When [DELETE SELECTED] is selected in Step 2) Select the file to delete using the SET button and press the SET button.

-  will appear on the selected file. To cancel, press the SET button again.
- You can continue selecting up to maximum of 100 files.

- ### 4 Press the button or the recording start/stop button.

- A delete confirmation screen appears.

- ### 5 Select [YES] using the SET button and press the SET button.

- The selected files are deleted.

■ Deleting all files

3 (When [DELETE ALL] is selected in Step 2)

Select [DELETE] using the SET button and press the SET button.

- A delete confirmation screen appears.

4 Select [YES] using the SET button and press the SET button.

- All the files will be deleted.

■ Deleting a folder


3 (When [DELETE FOLDER] is selected in Step 2)

Select the folder to delete using the SET button and press the SET button.

- A delete confirmation screen appears.

4 Select [YES] using the SET button and press the SET button.

- A further confirmation screen appears. Select [YES] and press the SET button to delete the folder.


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- Files which cannot be played back (the thumbnails are displayed as ) cannot be deleted.
 - The deletion may take time if there are many files.
 - If you delete scenes recorded on other products or still pictures conforming to DCF standard with this unit, all the data related to the scenes/still pictures may be deleted.
 - When still pictures recorded on an SD card by other products are deleted, a still picture (other than JPEG) that cannot be played back on this unit may be erased.
 - Files which are protected cannot be deleted. To delete a protected file, first remove the protection and then delete. (→ 103)

Protecting a file

Files can be protected so that they are not deleted by mistake. **(Even if you protect some files, formatting the media will delete them.)**

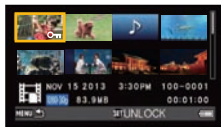
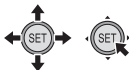
- Set to Playback Mode. (→ 22)

1 Select the menu.

[MENU]:  → [PROTECT]*


* When you are using an Eye-Fi card which has already been set to selective forwarding with a PC, [TRANSFER/PROTECT] is displayed.

2 Select the file you wish to protect using the SET button and press the SET button.



- **On** appears. To cancel the selection, press the SET button again.

3 Press the MENU button to complete the settings.

- Files set as protected will be displayed with  for the thumbnail of 1 file. (→ 41)

Watching Video/Pictures on your TV

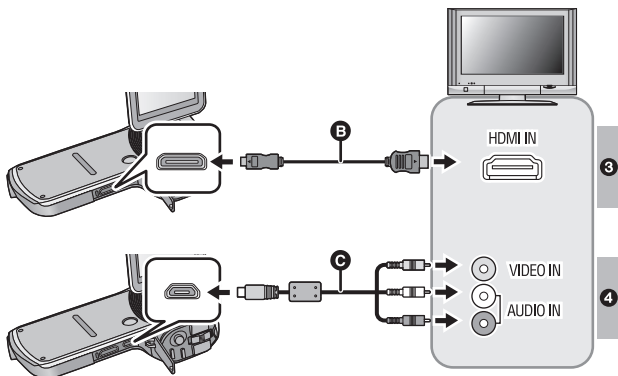
Confirm the terminals on your TV and use a cable compatible with the terminals. Image quality may vary with the connected terminals.

- A** High quality
- 1** HDMI terminal
- 2** Video terminal



- **Always use the supplied AV cable.**
- HDMI is the interface for digital devices. If you connect this unit to a HDMI compatible high definition TV and then play back the recorded high-definition images, you can enjoy them in high resolution with high quality sound.
- Turn down the volume before connecting.

1 Connect this unit to a TV.



- B** HDMI mini cable (optional)
 - Be sure to connect to the HDMI terminal.
- C** AV cable (supplied)

Picture quality

- 3** High-definition images when connecting to HDMI terminal
- 4** Standard images when connecting to video terminal

Cables	Reference items
B HDMI mini cable (optional)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Connecting with an HDMI mini cable (→ 108) ● Playback using VIERA Link™ (→ 109)

About the status indicator of the unit

- While the unit is connected to a television, the status indicator lights up in orange.
- While the unit is accessing the SD card or the built-in memory, the status indicator illuminates in red. During access, do not disconnect the HDMI mini cable or remove the battery.
- Check that the plugs are inserted as far as they go.
- Connecting the AV cable in the wrong direction may cause damage to the USB/AV connector of the unit. If the terminal has become damaged, it may not operate correctly, including failure to recognize the cable even if it has been connected.
- Always use a genuine Panasonic HDMI mini cable (RP-CDHM15, RP-CDHM30: optional).
- Do not use any other AV cables except the supplied one.

2 Select the video input on the TV.

- Example:
 - Select the [HDMI] channel with an HDMI mini cable.
 - Select the [Video 2] channel with an AV cable.
 - (The name of the channel may differ depending on the connected TV.)
- Check the input setting (input switch) and the audio input setting on the TV. (For more information, please read the operating instructions for the TV.)

3 Play back from the unit.

- The volume cannot be adjusted on the unit. Please adjust the volume on the TV.
- Setting the [TV SYSTEM] to [NTSC] will not display the screen of the unit during recording standby. (→ 108) Please check on the TV screen instead.

• About the video output

The video output destination varies depending on the status of the unit.

Connection cable	Video output destination	TV SYSTEM (→ 108)	Recording Mode		Playback Mode
			Standby	Recording	
AV cable (supplied)	LCD monitor of the unit	NTSC	—	○	—
		PAL	○		
	TV	NTSC	○	—	○
		PAL	—		
HDMI mini cable (optional)	LCD monitor of the unit	NTSC	—	○	—
		PAL			
	TV	NTSC	○	—	○
		PAL			

○: Output



—: No output

■ **To watch images on a regular TV (4:3) or when both sides of the images do not appear on the screen**

Change the menu setting to display the images correctly. (Check the TV setting.)

[MENU]:  → [TV OUTPUT] → [TV ASPECT] → [4:3]

Example of images with a [16:9] aspect ratio on a regular TV (4:3)

[TV ASPECT] setting	
[16:9]	[4:3]
	

- If a wide-screen TV is connected, adjust the aspect setting on the TV. (Refer to the operating instructions of the TV for details.)


Refer to the following support site for information about Panasonic TVs with an SD card slot for playing back your pictures.

<http://panasonic.net/>

- For details on how to play back, please read the operating instructions for the TV.

Connecting with an HDMI mini cable


Select the desired method of HDMI output.

[MENU]:  → [TV OUTPUT] → [HDMI] →
[AUTO]/[720p]/[1080i]/[480p]

- [AUTO] determines the output resolution automatically based on information from the connected TV.
If the images are not output on the TV when the setting is [AUTO], switch to the method [720p], [1080i] or [480p] which enables the images to be displayed on your TV. (Please read the operating instructions for the TV.)

TV format setting

Set the format of the video signal output from the USB/AV connector.

[MENU]:  → [TV OUTPUT] → [TV SYSTEM] → [NTSC] or [PAL]

[NTSC]: Outputs NTSC video signals.

[PAL]: Outputs PAL video signals.

Playback using VIERA Link™

What is the VIERA Link (HDAVI Control™)?

- VIERA Link™ is a new name for EZ Sync™.
- This function allows you to use your remote control for the Panasonic TV for easy operations when this unit has been connected to a VIERA Link compatible device using an HDMI mini cable (optional) for automatic linked operations. (Not all operations are possible.)
- VIERA Link is a unique Panasonic function built on an HDMI control function using the standard HDMI CEC (Consumer Electronics Control) specification. Linked operations with HDMI CEC compatible devices made by other companies are not guaranteed. When using devices made by other companies that are compatible with VIERA Link, refer to the operating instructions for the respective devices.
- This unit supports “VIERA Link Ver.5” function. “VIERA Link Ver.5” is the standard for Panasonic’s VIERA Link compatible equipment. This standard is compatible with Panasonic’s conventional VIERA Link equipment.

- **Set to Playback Mode. (→ 22)**

1 Select the menu.

[MENU]:  → [TV OUTPUT] → [VIERA Link] → [ON]

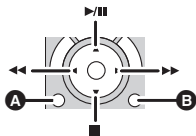
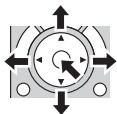
- If you are not using VIERA Link, set to [OFF].

2 Connect this unit to a Panasonic TV compatible with VIERA Link using an HDMI mini cable. (→ 104)

- It is recommended to connect this unit to an HDMI terminal other than the HDMI1 if there are 2 or more HDMI input terminals on the TV.
- VIERA Link must be activated on the connected TV. (Read the operating instructions of the TV for how to set etc.)
- Always use a genuine Panasonic HDMI mini cable (RP-CDHM15, RP-CDHM30: optional).

3 Operate with the remote control for the TV.

(When selecting scenes) (When playing back)



- A** Display operation icons
- B** Cancel operation icons

■ Other linked operations

Turning the unit off:

If you use the remote control for the TV to turn off the power, this unit also turns off.

Automatic input switching:

If you connect with an HDMI mini cable and then turn on this unit, the input channel on the TV automatically switches to this unit's screen. If the TV's power is in standby status, it will turn on automatically (if [Set] has been selected for the TV's [Power on link] setting).

- Depending on the HDMI terminal on the TV, the input channel may not switch automatically. In this case, use the remote control for the TV to switch the input channel.
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- If you are unsure whether or not the TV and AV amplifier you are using are compatible with VIERA Link, read the operating instructions for the devices.
 - Available linked operations between this unit and a Panasonic TV is different depending on the types of Panasonic TVs even if they are compatible with VIERA Link. Refer to the operating instructions of the TV for the operations that support on the TV.
 - Operation is not possible with a cable that is not based on the HDMI standard.

Copying from Built-in Memory to SD card

Files recorded using the unit can be copied from the built-in memory to an SD card inserted into the unit.

1 Set to Playback Mode. (→ 22)

- Be sure to use a sufficiently charged battery or the AC adaptor.

2 Select the menu.

[MENU]:  → [COPY] → desired setting

[COPY SELECTED]:

Copies the selected file to the SD card.

[COPY ALL]:

Copies all files recorded in the built-in memory to the SD card.

3 (On selecting [COPY SELECTED])

Select the file to copy using the SET button and press the SET button.

- ✓ will appear on the selected file. To cancel, press the SET button again.
- You can continue selecting up to maximum of 100 files.
- Press the MENU button to return to the previous step.

(On selecting [COPY ALL])

Select [COPY ALL] to begin copying to the SD card.

4 (On selecting [COPY SELECTED])

Press the recording start/stop button or the  button.

- When the copying ends, the unit returns to the playback menu.
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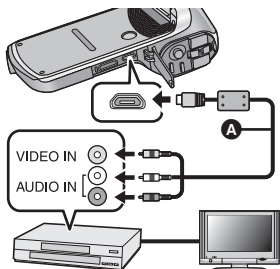
If you intend to delete the original file when the copying has finished, always play back the copied file before deletion to confirm that the original has been copied normally.

- You cannot change the order of the files that are to be copied.

Dubbing images onto other video devices

You can dub by connecting an AV cable.

- Be sure to use a sufficiently charged battery.
- Connecting the AV cable in the wrong direction may cause damage to the USB/AV connector of the unit. If the connector has become damaged, it may not operate correctly, including failure to recognize the cable even if it has been connected.
- **Images are dubbed in standard quality.**



Change the video input on the video device and TV that this unit is connected to.

- The channel set will differ depending on the terminal to which the unit is connected.
- See the operating instructions of the video device for details.
- Insert the plugs as far as they will go.
- Do not use any other AV cables except the supplied one.
- **A** AV cable (supplied)

- **Set to Playback Mode. (→ 22)**

1 Connect the unit to the recording equipment and begin playback on the unit.

- Recorded files can be dubbed while a slideshow is being played back. (→ 89)
- If the unit is connected to a video device using an AV cable, the screen of the unit will not display images when in Playback Mode. Check on the TV screen instead.

2 Start recording on the connected device.

- To stop recording (dubbing), stop playback on this unit after stopping recording on the recorder.
 - Even when [DISPLAY] is set to [OFF], the battery icon will be displayed if the battery runs low. Be sure to use a battery which has been charged sufficiently.
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- If the date and time display and function indication are not wanted, cancel them before dubbing. (→ 46)

If the dubbed images are played back on a wide-screen TV, the images may be stretched vertically.

In this case, refer to the operating instruction of the device you are connecting to or read the operating instructions of the wide-screen TV and set the aspect ratio to 16:9.

What you can do with a PC

HD Writer VE 3.0

You can copy the motion/still picture data to the HDD of PCs or write to media such as Blu-ray discs, DVD discs or SD cards using HD Writer VE 3.0, which is the software installed in the supplied CD-ROM.

Refer to the operating instructions of HD Writer VE 3.0 (PDF file) for details on how to use it.

- Scenes edited using the HD Writer VE 3.0 can be played back on the unit. Note, however, that such scenes cannot be edited on the unit.

■ Smart wizard

The Smart wizard screen is automatically displayed when you connect this unit to a PC with HD Writer VE 3.0 installed. (→ 125)



Copy to PC: You can copy motion/still picture data to the HDD of PCs.

Copy to disc: You can copy to disc in high-definition picture quality or conventional standard picture quality (MPEG2 format).

- Select the function you wish to use and follow the on-screen instructions for easy copying.

Important Notice

- When using an SDXC Memory Card, check the following support site.
<http://panasonic.net/avc/sdcard/information/SDXC.html>
- When inserting a disc containing recorded motion pictures into other devices, a message prompting you to format the disc may be displayed. Do not format the disc, since deleted data cannot be restored later.

What can be done with the HD Writer VE 3.0	Data type
Copying data to a PC	Motion picture and still picture
Copying to a Blu-ray disc <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Motion pictures are converted to high-definition (H.264) motion pictures.• Motion pictures recorded using iFrame / 480-30p cannot be copied.	
Online sharing: You can upload motion/still picture data on the Internet and share them with your family and friends.	
Copying in DVD-Video format: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Converted to conventional standard quality (MPEG2 format).	Motion picture
Editing: Editing motion picture data copied on an HDD of a PC <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Title, Transition, Delete partially, Dividing• Converting part of motion picture into still picture	
Playing back on a PC: Play back the motion picture data in high-definition picture quality on a PC.	

- It is possible to play back still pictures on a PC using an image viewer standard to Windows or commercially available image browsing software, and copy still pictures to a PC using Windows Explorer.
- Please refer to page 132 for details about using a Mac.

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- **Data cannot be written to the unit from a PC.**
 - **Motion pictures that have been recorded on another device cannot be written to the software supplied with this unit.**
 - Audio files cannot be handled.
 - When motion picture data is written to and read from the SD card, correct operation cannot be guaranteed with software other than that supplied with the unit.
 - Do not start the software supplied with this unit and other software at the same time.

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Operating environment

- Even if the system requirements mentioned in this owner's manual are fulfilled, some PCs cannot be used.
- A CD-ROM drive is necessary to install the supplied software applications. (A compatible Blu-ray disc/DVD writer drive and media are necessary for writing to a Blu-ray disc/DVD.)
- Operation is not guaranteed in the following cases.
 - When 2 or more USB devices are connected to a PC, or when devices are connected through USB hubs or by using extension cables.
 - Operation on an upgraded OS.
 - Operation on an OS other than the one pre-installed.
- This software is not compatible with Microsoft Windows 3.1, Windows 95, Windows 98, Windows 98SE, Windows Me, Windows NT and Windows 2000.

■ Operating environment for HD Writer VE 3.0

PC	IBM PC/AT compatible PC
OS	Windows 8 (32 bit/64 bit) Windows 7 (32 bit/64 bit) Starter/Home Basic/ Home Premium/Professional/Ultimate (SP1) Windows Vista (32 bit) Home Basic/Home Premium/ Business/Ultimate (SP2) Windows XP (32 bit) (SP3)
CPU	Intel Pentium 4 2.8 GHz or higher (including compatible CPU) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Intel Core 2 Duo 2.16 GHz or higher or AMD Athlon 64 X2 Dual-Core 5200+ or higher is recommended when using the playback function. ● Intel Core 2 Quad 2.6 GHz or higher is recommended when using the editing function. ● Intel Core i7 2.8 GHz or higher is recommended when copying to Blu-ray discs.

RAM	Windows 8/Windows 7: 1 GB or more (32 bit)/2 GB or more (64 bit) Windows Vista: 1 GB or more Windows XP: 512 MB or more (1 GB or more recommended)
Display	High Color (16 bit) or more (32 bit or more recommended) Desktop resolution of 1024×768 pixels or more (1920×1080 pixels or more recommended) Windows 8/Windows 7/Windows Vista: DirectX 9.0c compatible video card (DirectX 10 recommended) Windows XP: DirectX 9.0c compatible video card Compatible with DirectDraw overlay PCI Express™×16 compatible recommended Video memory of 256 MB or more recommended
Free hard disk drive space	Ultra DMA — 100 or higher Available hard disk capacity of 450 MB or more for installation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When writing to DVD/Blu-ray disc/SD, at least twice the amount of free disk space as the disc or card being created is necessary.
Sound	DirectSound Support
Interface	USB port [Hi-Speed USB (USB 2.0)]
Other requirements	Mouse or equivalent pointing device Internet connection

- Supplied CD-ROM is available for Windows only.
- Input is not supported in languages other than English, German, French, Simplified Chinese and Russian.
- Operation cannot be guaranteed on all Blu-ray disc/DVD drives.
- Operation is not guaranteed on Microsoft Windows Vista Enterprise, Windows XP Media Center Edition, Tablet PC Edition, Windows 7 Enterprise and Windows 8 Enterprise.
- Windows 8 will only operate as a desktop application.
- This software is not compatible with a multi-boot environment.
- This software is not compatible with a multi-monitor environment.

- If using Windows XP, only an administrative account user can use this software. If using Windows Vista/Windows 7/Windows 8, only administrative and standard account users can use this software. (An administrative account user should install and uninstall this software.)

■ To use the HD Writer VE 3.0

You will need a high performance PC depending on the functions to be used. It may not properly play back or properly operate depending on the environment of the PC used. Refer to the operating environment and notes.

- Operation during the playback may become slow if the CPU or memory is not fulfilling the requirements of the operating environment.
- Always use the most current driver for the video card.
- Always make sure there is enough capacity on the HDD in the PC. It may become inoperable or the operation may stop suddenly if the capacity gets low.

■ Operating environment for the card reader function (mass storage)

PC	IBM PC/AT compatible PC
OS	Windows 8 (32 bit/64 bit) Windows 7 (32 bit/64 bit) or SP1 Windows Vista (32 bit) (SP2) Windows XP (32 bit) (SP3)
CPU	Windows 8/Windows 7/Windows Vista: 1 GHz or higher 32-bit (×86) or 64-bit (×64) processor (including compatible CPU) Windows XP: Intel Pentium III 450 MHz or higher or Intel Celeron 400 MHz or higher
RAM	Windows 8/Windows 7: 1 GB or more (32 bit)/2 GB or more (64 bit) Windows Vista Home Basic: 512 MB or more Windows Vista Home Premium/Business/Ultimate/Enterprise: 1 GB or more Windows XP: 512 MB or more (1 GB or more recommended)
Interface	USB port
Other requirements	Mouse or equivalent pointing device

- The USB equipment operates with the driver installed as standard in the OS.

Installation

When installing the software, log on to your computer as the Administrator or with a user name with equivalent authorization. (If you do not have authorization to do this, consult your manager.)

- Before starting the installation, close all applications that are running.
- Do not perform any other operations on your PC while the software is being installed.
- Explanation of operations is based on Windows 7.

1 Insert the CD-ROM into the PC.

- The [AutoPlay] screen is displayed automatically. Click [Run setup.exe] → [Yes].
- If the [AutoPlay] screen is not displayed automatically, select [Start] → [Computer] (or double-click on [Computer] on the desktop), and then double-click [Panasonic].

2 Click [Yes].

3 Click [Next].

- Operate following the instruction on the screen.
- Select [NTSC Area] when the country or region of your residency is not displayed in the selection screen for the country or region.

The PC must be rebooted for the application to work.

■ Uninstalling HD Writer VE 3.0

Follow the steps below to uninstall any software applications that you no longer require.

1 Select [Start] → [Control Panel] → [Uninstall a program].

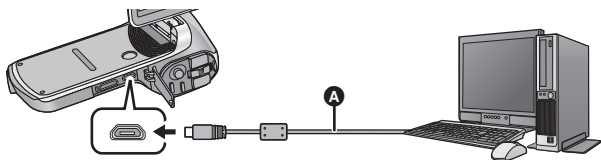
2 Select [HD Writer VE 3.0], then click [Uninstall].

- Proceed with the uninstallation by following the on-screen instructions.
- After uninstalling the software, be sure to reboot the PC.

With a PC

Connecting to a PC

- Connect this unit to the PC after the software applications are installed.
- Remove the supplied CD-ROM from your PC.



- A** USB cable (supplied)
- Insert the plugs as far as they will go.

1 Turn on the unit.

- Be sure to use a sufficiently charged battery.

2 Connect this unit to a PC.


- Connecting the USB cable in the wrong direction may cause damage to the USB/AV connector of the unit. If the connector has become damaged, it may not operate correctly, including failure to recognize the cable even if it has been connected.
- The USB function selection screen will appear.

3 Select the desired Connection Mode using the SET button and press the SET button.

[CARD READER]: The unit works as an external drive for the PC. (Card Reader Mode) (→ 126)

[WEB CAMERA]: The unit works as a web camera. (Web Camera Mode) (→ 129)

■ To disconnect USB cable safely

Select the  icon in task tray displayed on the PC, and then click **[Eject Panasonic Video Camera]**.

- Depending on your PC's settings, this icon may not be displayed.

About the status indicator of the unit

- While the unit is connected to a PC, the status indicator flashes in orange.
- While the unit is accessing the SD card or the built-in memory, the status indicator illuminates in red. During access, do not disconnect the USB cable or remove the battery.

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- Do not use any other USB cables except the supplied one. (Operation is not guaranteed with any other USB cables.)
 - When this unit is connected to a PC using a USB cable while the unit is turned on, power is also supplied from the PC to this unit.
 - When performing reading/writing between a PC and an SD card, be aware that some SD card slots built into PCs and some SD card readers are not compatible with the SDHC Memory Card or SDXC Memory Card.
 - When using an SDXC Memory Card, check the following support site.
<http://panasonic.net/avc/sdcard/information/SDXC.html>

Use as a card reader

Connect the unit to a PC and set the unit to Card Reader Mode. (→ 125)

- The LCD monitor will turn off.
- The Smart wizard screen is automatically displayed when HD Writer VE 3.0 is installed.
- This unit is automatically recognized as an external drive of the PC. (→ 127)
- File is read from the SD card if one is inserted or the built-in memory if no SD card is inserted.
- When you select an option other than [CARD READER], reconnect the USB cable.

■ About the PC display

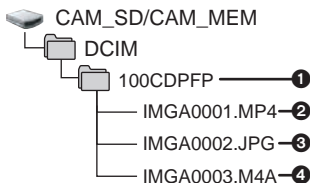
When the unit is connected to a PC, it is recognized as an external drive.

- Removable disk (Example:  CAM_SD (F:)) is displayed in [Computer].

We recommend using HD Writer VE 3.0 to copy motion picture data. Using Windows Explorer or other programs on the PC to copy, move or rename files and folders recorded with this unit will result in them being unusable with HD Writer VE 3.0.

It is impossible to write data to the built-in memory or SD card on this unit from a PC.

Example folder structure in built-in memory/SD card:



The following data will be recorded.

- ① **Up to 999 files of motion pictures/still pictures/audio files can be recorded in a single folder.**
If you record further images/audio, a 101CDPFP folder is created and the files are stored in this new folder. The folders are numbered 102CDPFP, 103CDPFP...and so on.
- ② Recorded scenes
- ③ JPEG format pictures
- ④ Recorded audio

■ Copying your still pictures to your PC

Card reader function (mass storage)

Still pictures recorded with this unit can be copied to the PC with Explorer or other programs.

- 1 **Double click the folder that contains the still pictures. ([DCIM] → [100CDPFP] etc.)**
- 2 **Drag and drop the still pictures onto the destination folder (on the PC's HDD).**

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- Do not delete the SD card's folders. Doing so may make the SD card unusable in this unit.
 - When data not supported by this unit has been recorded on a PC, it will not be recognized by this unit.
 - Always use this unit to format SD cards.

■ Charging the battery by connecting it to different devices

If you turn off the unit and connect it to a PC, Panasonic Blu-ray disc recorder or Panasonic DVD recorder using a USB cable, the battery will charge.

- Insert the USB cable securely all the way. It will not operate properly if it is not inserted all the way.
- Do not use any other USB cables except the supplied one. (Operation is not guaranteed with any other USB cables.)
- Be sure to connect the unit directly to the PC, Blu-ray disc recorder or DVD recorder.
- If you do not intend to use the unit for an extended period, disconnect the USB cable from the unit for safety.
- During charging, the status indicator flashes red.
- If the status indicator flashes fast and then goes off or stays off, charging will not be possible. Charge by using the AC adaptor. (→ 12)
- It will take 2 or 3 times longer to charge compared to when using the AC adaptor.
- If the status indicator flashes at a particularly fast or slow rate, refer to page 155.

Using the unit as a web camera

When the unit is connected to a PC that is connected to the Internet, the unit can be used as a web camera.

	PC	
	IBM PC/AT compatible PC	Mac
Necessary software	Windows Live Messenger	Messages
OS	Windows 8 (32 bit/64 bit) Windows 7 (32 bit/64 bit) or SP1 Windows Vista (32 bit) (SP2) Windows XP (32 bit) (SP3)	Mac OS X 10.8.2
CPU	Windows 8/Windows 7/Windows Vista: 1 GHz or higher 32-bit (x86) or 64-bit (x64) processor (including compatible CPU) Windows XP: Intel Pentium III 450 MHz or higher or Intel Celeron 400 MHz or higher	Intel Core 2 Duo or better
RAM	Windows 8/Windows 7: 1 GB or more (32 bit)/2 GB or more (64 bit) Windows Vista Home Basic: 512 MB or more Windows Vista Home Premium/ Business/Ultimate/Enterprise: 1 GB or more Windows XP: 512 MB or more (1 GB or more recommended)	2 GB or more
Interface	USB port	
Other requirements	Mouse or equivalent pointing device	

- Operation cannot be guaranteed on every PC having the recommended environment.
- Not compatible with Microsoft Windows 3.1, Windows 95, Windows 98, Windows 98SE, Windows Me, Windows NT and Windows 2000.

- Operation is not guaranteed in the following cases.
 - Operation on an upgraded OS.
 - Operation on an OS other than the one pre-installed.

1 Connect the unit to a PC and set the unit to Web Camera Mode. (→ 125)

- The LCD monitor will turn off.
- When you select an option other than [WEB CAMERA], reconnect the USB cable.

2 (On the PC)

Start Windows Live Messenger or Messages.

- Check that the unit has been selected in the Windows Live Messenger or Messages settings.
- When disconnecting the USB cable from your PC, please close Windows Live Messenger or Messages before disconnecting.

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- After 12 hours, the unit is automatically turned off.
 - In Web Camera Mode, the following functions are disabled.
 - [DIGITAL ZOOM], [i.ZOOM], [FACE FRAMING], [E.I.S.(VIDEO)] and [E.I.S.(PICTURE)]
 - In Web Camera Mode, although the unit can record up to 30 frames per second, this rate may drop due to network conditions and PC processing speed.
 - Operation cannot be guaranteed on all devices having a USB connector.

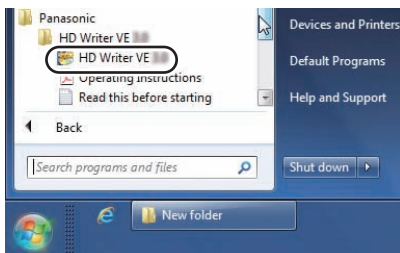
With a PC

Starting HD Writer VE 3.0

- To use the software, log on as an Administrator or as user name for standard user account (only for Windows 8/Windows 7/Windows Vista).
The software cannot be used with the user name for a guest account.

(On the PC)

Select [Start] → [All Programs] → [Panasonic] → [HD Writer VE 3.0] → [HD Writer VE 3.0].



- For details on how to use the software applications, read the PDF operating instructions of the software.

Reading the operating instructions of the software applications

- You will need Adobe Acrobat Reader 5.0 or later or Adobe Reader 7.0 or later to read the PDF operating instructions.

Select [Start] → [All Programs] → [Panasonic] → [HD Writer VE 3.0] → [Operating Instructions].

With a PC

If using Mac

- HD Writer VE 3.0 is not available for Mac.
- iMovie'11 supported. For details about iMovie'11, please contact Apple Inc.

■ Operating environment

PC	Mac
OS	Mac OS X 10.8.2
CPU	Intel Core 2 Duo or better
RAM	2 GB or more
Interface	USB port
Other requirements	Mouse or equivalent pointing device

- Even if the system requirements mentioned in this owner's manual are fulfilled, some computers cannot be used.
- The USB equipment operates with the driver installed as standard in the OS.
- Supplied CD-ROM is available for Windows only.

■ Copying still pictures on a Mac

1 Connect this unit to a Mac via the supplied USB cable.

- The USB function selection screen will appear.

2 Select [CARD READER] using the SET button on the unit, and press the SET button.

- The LCD monitor will turn off.
- This unit is automatically recognized as an external drive of Mac.
- If you select anything other than [CARD READER], remove and then reconnect the USB cable.

3 Double click on the [CAM_SD] or [CAM_MEM] displayed on the desktop.

- Files are stored in [100CDPFP] folder etc. in the [DCIM] folder.

4 Using a drag-and-drop operation, move the pictures you want to acquire or the folder storing those pictures to any different folder on the Mac.

■ To disconnect USB cable safely

Drag [CAM_SD] or [CAM_MEM] disk icon to the [Trash], and then disconnect the USB cable.

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- Do not use any other USB cables except the supplied one. (Operation is not guaranteed with any other USB cables.)


Using the Eye-Fi™ card

By using the Eye-Fi card (commercially-available), you can save files recorded on a card to a PC or file-sharing site via a wireless network.




- The functions of the Eye-Fi card (including wireless transmission) are not guaranteed to work on this product. In the case of a malfunction of the card, please contact the card manufacturer.
- To use the Eye-Fi transfer feature, a broadband wireless LAN environment is required.
- To use the Eye-Fi card, permission from the national or regional government is required. Do not use if you have not obtained permission. If you are unsure as to whether use is permitted, please check with the card manufacturer.
- Configuring the appropriate security settings (encryption settings) is strongly recommended to prevent interception, unauthorized use, spoofing or other types of hacking of communication data. Read the Eye-Fi card and access point instruction manual for more information.
- **Install the software supplied with the Eye-Fi card in advance on your PC, and configure the Eye-Fi settings. (For settings methods etc., please read the card operating instructions or consult the card manufacturer)**

- **Insert the Eye-Fi card.**

Select the menu.

[MENU]:  → [Eye-Fi] → [TRANSFER] → [ON]

- When [TRANSFER] is set to [ON], the transferable files will be transferred automatically.
- To cancel the forwarding of a file, turn off the unit or set [TRANSFER] to [OFF].
- The setting at the time of purchase is [OFF]. Every time the Eye-Fi card is removed from the unit, this setting is set to [OFF].
- You can check the transfer of the file on the thumbnail screen (8-file display).


	File has been transferred
	File waiting for transfer
	File cannot be transferred

■ Using Direct Mode

The files can be transferred directly from the Eye-Fi card to a smartphone or tablet without going through the access point when necessary setting is performed in a PC in advance.

- **Install the software supplied with the Eye-Fi card on your PC, and configure the Direct Mode settings.**
- **Insert the Eye-Fi card.**

Select the menu.

[MENU]:  → [Eye-Fi] → [START DIRECT MODE]

- If any of the following operations are performed, the Direct Mode will be canceled.
 - If you turn the unit off
 - Closing the LCD monitor, sending the unit into Standby Mode.
 - Starting motion picture or audio recording

The Direct Mode may be canceled by the Eye-Fi card for reasons other than the above.

- In Direct Mode, the Economy Mode function (→ 47) is disabled.
- When [TRANSFER] (→ 134) is set to [OFF], [START DIRECT MODE] cannot be selected.


■ Selecting files to transfer

If you perform the required settings in advance on your PC, you can transfer selected files alone. For settings methods etc., please read the card operating instructions or consult the card manufacturer.




- **Install the software supplied with the Eye-Fi card on your PC, and configure the selection transfer settings.**
- **Insert the Eye-Fi card.**

Select the menu.

[MENU]:  → [TRANSFER/PROTECT]

- The settings method is the same as for the protect settings. (→ 103)
- For the files set for selected transfer,  is displayed on the thumbnail screen (1-file display).
- If you have not performed selected transfer settings on your PC, [PROTECT] is displayed and the selection transfer setting is disabled.
- When the write protect switch on the Eye-Fi card is on the LOCK side, [PROTECT] is displayed and selected transfer setting is disabled. Please unlock the write protect switch.
- The protect setting is also applied to the files for which [TRANSFER/PROTECT] is set. To delete or rotate a file, first cancel [TRANSFER/PROTECT] and then perform the operation.

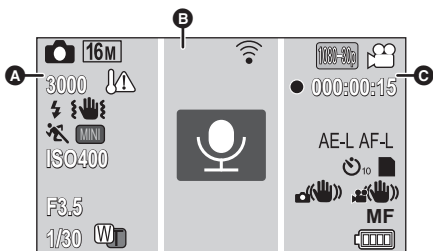
- The [Eye-Fi] menu only appears when an Eye-Fi card is used.
- The Eye-Fi transfer feature cannot be guaranteed to continue to operate in the future due to changes to the card specification etc.
- Update the firmware of the Eye-Fi card to the latest one using the software supplied with the Eye-Fi card before use.
- Eye-Fi transfer is terminated when it goes into Standby Mode by the energy-saving function during the Eye-Fi transfer. Connect the AC adaptor and set the [AC:REC/PLAY] in [ECONOMY] to [60 min]. (→ 47) (Energy-save function will be disabled during the Direct Mode)
- When the endless memory function of the Eye-Fi card is set to on, the files transferred from the card may be deleted automatically.
- The Eye-Fi card may heat up as a result of the files being transferred.
- When the Eye-Fi card is used, the battery will run down faster.
- Audio files cannot be handled.
- The [Eye-Fi] setting can be checked from the recording standby screen or the thumbnail screen (1-file display).

	In [Eye-Fi], [TRANSFER] is set to [ON] (Transferring in Direct Mode)
	In [Eye-Fi], [TRANSFER] is set to [ON]
	In [Eye-Fi], [TRANSFER] is set to [OFF]

- When using the Eye-Fi card, please be sure to unlock the write-protect switch. (→ 17)
- Files cannot be transferred during motion picture recording or audio recording.
- Before deleting the files, please confirm they have been transferred to your PC and uploaded to the sharing site.
- Do not use the Eye-Fi card in locations where the use of wireless devices is forbidden, such as inside aircraft etc.
- Depending on network conditions, the transfer may take some time. Also, if network conditions deteriorate, the transfer may be suspended.
- Files over 2 GB in size cannot be transferred. Such files should first be split to reduce the file size. (→ 96)

Indications

■ Recording indications



A

**(White)**

Still picture recording icon

**(Red)**

Recording still picture



During burst recording (→ 57)

16M / 14M / 7M / 3M / 0.3M / 10M / 7.8M / 3.5M / 2M

Number of recording pixels for still pictures (→ 63, 86)

In Playback Mode, the picture size is not displayed for still pictures recorded with other products that have different picture sizes from the sizes shown above.



16M / 16M / 3M / 3M

Burst recording (→ 57)



Panorama recording (→ 59)

3000

Remaining number of still pictures (→ 31)



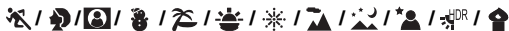
High temperature warning (→ 21)



Flash (→ 70)



Camera shake warning (→ 32)



Scene Mode (→ 66)



Creative control (→ 64)

ISO50/ISO100/ISO200/ISO400/ISO800/ISO1600

ISO sensitivity (→ 74)



Intelligent Auto Mode (→ 36)

F3.5 Iris value (→ 31)

1/30 Shutter Speed (→ 31)



Zoom/Double range zoom (→ 53)

B



Eye-Fi settings (→ 137)



(Gray)

Audio recording icon



(Red)

Recording audio



Focus mark (→ 75)



Spot metering target (→ 75)



Recording Mode (→ 62)



(White)

Motion picture recording icon



(Red)

Recording motion picture



(Red)

Recording motion picture (→ 28)

Recording audio (→ 35)

000:00:15

Recording time elapsed (→ 28, 35)

Approximate remaining recordable time
(→ 28, 35)

AF-L

AF Lock (→ 79)

AE-L

AE Lock (→ 79)



Self-timer Recording (→ 71)



Card recording possible status



Built-in memory recording possible status



Image Stabilizer (→ 55)



Focus (→ 83)



Remaining battery power (→ 15)

■ Playback indications



Display during playback (→ 40, 84)

00:00:30

Playback Time (Motion picture)

000:00:30

Playback Time (Audio)

NOV 15 2013 3:30PM

Recording date and time

NOV 15 2013

Recording date

100-0001









Folder number/file number



Motion picture file




Audio file

	Files for which selected transfer/protect is set (→ 103, 136)
	Face detection (→ 76)
	Panorama still picture (→ 59)
	Creative control (→ 93)
	Eye-Fi transfer status (→ 134)
	Files exceeding 4 GB in size (→ 42)
	Remaining battery power (→ 15)
	Files which cannot be played back

■ Confirmatory indications

-----:----- The built-in battery is low. (→ 24)

(Time display)

	Incompatible SD card is used.
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Messages

Major confirmation/error messages to be indicated on the screen in text.

CHECK CARD.

This card is not compatible or it cannot be recognized by the unit. If this indication appears despite motion pictures, still pictures and audio being recorded on the SD card, the SD card may be in an unstable state. Re-insert the SD card and turn the unit off and on again.

CARD FULL.

Built-in Memory full.

There is no space on the SD card or in built-in memory. Please delete unneeded files or use an SD card with space on it.

Card is protected

The write protection switch on the SD card is in the LOCK position. Please unlock the write protect switch. (→ 17)


Overheat. Turn off camera now.

INTERNAL TEMPERATURE TOO HIGH. PLEASE TURN UNIT OFF AND WAIT A WHILE.

The temperature within the unit is increasing. Turn the unit off and wait until the temperature decreases before starting recording again. (→ 21)

Troubleshooting


■ It is not a malfunction in following cases

<p>Object seems to be warped.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Object seems to be warped slightly when the object moves across the image very fast, but this is because the unit is using MOS for the image sensor. This is not a malfunction.
<p>White round spots like soap bubbles appear on the recorded picture.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● If you take a picture with the flash in a dark place or indoors, white round spots may appear on the picture caused by the flash reflecting of particles of dust in the air. This is not a malfunction. A characteristic of this is that the number of round spots and their position differ in every picture. 
<p>Why does the displayed image contain some red, blue and green dots, or why are black spots visible.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Condition due to the LCD monitor characteristics. Not a malfunction. Spots only appear in the LCD monitor and will not be recorded with the images.
<p>The lens or LCD monitor fog up.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● This is due to condensation. This is not a malfunction. Please refer to page 3.

Power

Problem	Check points
<p>This unit cannot be turned on.</p> <p>This unit does not stay on long enough.</p> <p>Battery runs down quickly.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Recharge the battery pack or connect the AC adaptor. (→ 12) ● In cold places, the battery using time becomes shorter. ● It is possible to insert the battery incorrectly, so please pay particular attention when inserting that it is correctly oriented.
<p>The battery does not charge.</p> <p>The battery does not stop charging.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Check that the plug portion of the AC adaptor is not misaligned.
<p>This unit is turned off automatically.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● If the unit has not been operated for approximately 5 minutes (settings at the time of purchase) when the power is turned on, the ECONOMY function will activate and switch to Standby Mode to limit power consumption in situations such as the user forgetting to turn the unit off. When the unit is in Standby Mode, press the power button. ● If the unit turns off when you turn off the power to the TV using the TV remote control, the VIERA Link is at work. If you are not using the VIERA Link, set [VIERA Link] to [OFF]. (→ 109)

Power

Problem	Check points
<p>This unit cannot be operated though it is turned on.</p> <p>This unit does not operate normally.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Remove the battery or AC adaptor, wait about 1 minute and then reconnect the battery or AC adaptor. Then about 1 minute later, turn on the unit again. (Conducting the above operation while the media is being accessed may damage the data on the media.)● If normal operation is still not restored, detach the power connected, and contact consumer support.
<p>A blinking high temperature warning icon  is shown, and the unit does not turn on.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● The battery temperature or unit internal temperature (excluding battery) rises. Wait for the temperature to drop before using the unit again.
<p>“ERROR OCCURRED. PLEASE TURN UNIT OFF, THEN TURN ON AGAIN.” is displayed.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Check each of the following items.<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Remove the SD card from the device and reinsert.– Remove the battery and then put it in again.– Change the SD card and check.● If a message is still displayed after checking the above, detach the power connected, contact consumer support.




Indication

Problem	Check points
The battery capacity indication or the elapsed time indication is not shown.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• [DISPLAY] is [OFF]. (→ 46)




Status indicator

Problem	Check points
The status indicator is flashing red.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• During battery charging, the status indicator flashes red with a period of approximately 2 seconds (approximately 1 second on, 1 second off). When charging ends, the status indicator turns off. This is not a malfunction.



Recording

Problem	Check points
The high temperature warning icon  is displayed and recording is not possible.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The battery temperature or unit internal temperature (excluding battery) rises. Wait for the temperature to drop before using the unit again.
When recording still pictures, the angle of view of the image displayed on the LCD monitor changes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The field of view of the image displayed on the LCD monitor differs for motion picture recording and still picture recording. At time of purchase, the recording standby screen shows video view. Press the  button halfway to change to photo view. To change the angle of view of the recording standby screen to photo view, set [PHOTO VIEW] to  (ON). (→ 72)

Recording

Problem	Check points
<p>The unit arbitrarily stops recording.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Use an SD card that can be used for motion picture recording. (→ 16) ● The recordable time may have shortened due to the deterioration of the data writing speed or repeated recording and deletion. Using the unit, format the SD card or built-in memory. (→ 48)
<p>Image not in focus.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Hold down the power button until the LCD monitor goes off and then turn the power on again. When [FOCUS] is set to MF (MANUAL), do the above, then reconfigure the Manual Focus.
<p>There is noise in the recording image.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● When the [ISO] setting is too high, noise may appear in the recorded images. Please lower the ISO sensitivity setting. (→ 74)
<p>Color balance of images is strange when recording in a place such as a gymnasium.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● In a place with multiple light sources, such as a gymnasium or a hall, set the White Balance setting to  (INDOOR 2). If you cannot record clearly with the  (INDOOR 2), set it to  (WHITE SET). (→ 81)
<p>Color or brightness of the image changes, or you may see horizontal bars in the image.</p> <p>The LCD monitor flickers indoors.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Color or brightness of the image may change, or you may see horizontal bars in the image when the object is recorded under fluorescent light, mercury light or sodium light, etc., but this is not a malfunction. ● Record in Intelligent Auto Mode.

Playback

Problem	Check points
Files cannot be played back.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any files where the thumbnails display are displayed as  cannot be played back.
Files cannot be deleted.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Release the protect setting. (When using the Eye-Fi card, the protect setting is simultaneously set for files for which selected transfer is set) (→ 103, 136) Any files where the thumbnails are displayed as  cannot be deleted. If the files are unnecessary, format the media to erase the data. (→ 48) Please be aware that if a media is formatted then all the data recorded on the media is erased and cannot be recovered. Back up important data on a PC, disc, etc.
Editing such as rotation of the files is not possible.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Release the protect setting. (When using the Eye-Fi card, the protect setting is simultaneously set for files for which selected transfer is set) (→ 103, 136)
During playback, there is no sound.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adjust the play volume in this unit. (→ 41)

With other products

Problem	Check points
<p>Video or audio is not output even though it is connected to TV correctly.</p> <p>The images are squeezed horizontally.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please read the operating instructions of your TV and select the channel that matches the input used for the connection. Change the [TV ASPECT] setting to match the aspect ratio of the TV. (→ 107) When connecting with the HDMI mini cable, change the [HDMI] setting. (→ 108) Depending on the status of the unit and the connecting cable, a picture may not appear on the TV or LCD monitor. Check the status of the unit and the connection. (→ 106)


With other products

Problem	Check points
If the SD card is inserted in another device, it is not recognized.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Check that the device is compatible with the capacity or type of SD card (SD Memory Card/SDHC Memory Card/SDXC Memory Card) that you inserted. Refer to the operating instructions of the device for details.
VIERA Link does not work.	<p>(Setting on this unit)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Connect with an HDMI mini cable (optional). (→ 104)• Set [VIERA Link] to [ON]. (→ 109)• Turn the unit off and then back on again. <p>(Setting on other devices)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• If the TV input does not switch automatically, switch the input using the TV remote control.• Check the VIERA Link setting on the connected device.• Please refer to the operating instructions of the connected device.

With a PC

Problem	Check points
An error message may appear on the PC when you charge the battery by connecting the USB cable to a PC.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• First disconnect the USB Connection Cable, then turn on the unit and reconnect. The unit will be recognized by the PC. To charge the battery, first safely disconnect the USB cable and turn off the unit. Then reconnect the USB cable.

With a PC

Problem	Check points
When connected by the USB cable, this unit is not detected by the PC.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● After re-inserting the SD card into the unit, reconnect the supplied USB cable.● Select another USB connector on the PC.● Check the operating environment. (→ 120, 132)● Connect the supplied USB cable again after restarting the PC and turning on this unit again.
When the USB cable is disconnected, an error message will appear on the PC.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● To disconnect the USB cable safely, double-click the  icon in the task tray and follow the instructions on the screen.
Cannot see the PDF operating instructions for HD Writer VE 3.0.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● You will need Adobe Acrobat Reader 5.0 or later or Adobe Reader 7.0 or later to read the PDF operating instructions for HD Writer VE 3.0.

Others

Problem	Check points
If the SD card is inserted in this unit, it is not recognized.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● If the SD card is formatted on a PC, it may not be recognized by this unit. Use this unit to format SD cards. (→ 48)

Cautions for use

About this unit

The unit and the SD card become warm during use. This is not a malfunction.

Keep this unit as far away as possible from electromagnetic equipment (such as microwave ovens, TVs, video games etc.).

- If you use this unit on top of or near a TV, the pictures and/or sound on this unit may be disrupted by electromagnetic wave radiation.
- Do not use this unit near cell phones because doing so may result in noise adversely affecting the pictures and/or sound.
- Recorded data may be damaged, or pictures may be distorted, by strong magnetic fields created by speakers or large motors.
- Electromagnetic wave radiation generated by microprocessors may adversely affect this unit, disturbing the pictures and/or sound.
- If this unit is adversely affected by electromagnetic equipment and stops functioning properly, turn this unit off and remove the battery or disconnect AC adaptor. Then reinsert the battery or reconnect AC adaptor and turn this unit on.

Do not use this unit near radio transmitters or high-voltage lines.

- If you record near radio transmitters or high-voltage lines, the recorded pictures and/or sound may be adversely affected.

Make sure to use the supplied cords and cables. If you use optional accessories, use the cords and the cables supplied with them.

Do not extend the cords and the cables.

Do not spray insecticides or volatile chemicals onto the unit.

- If the unit is sprayed with such chemicals, its body may be marred and the surface finish may peel off.
- Do not leave rubber or plastic products in contact with the unit for a long time.

When you use the unit in a sandy or dusty place such as a beach, do not let sand or fine dust get into the body and terminals of the unit.

Also, keep the unit away from sea water.

- Sand or dust may damage the unit. (Care should be taken when inserting and removing a card.)
- If sea water splashes onto the unit, wipe off the water with a well wrung cloth. Then wipe the unit again with a dry cloth.

When carrying the unit, do not drop or bump it.

- A strong impact can break the unit's casing, causing it to malfunction.

Cleaning

- Before cleaning, detach the battery or pull the AC adaptor from the AC outlet, and then wipe the unit with a soft, dry cloth.
- If the unit is very dirty, dip a cloth in water and squeeze firmly, and then wipe the unit with the damp cloth. Next, dry the unit with a dry cloth.
- Use of benzine, paint thinner, alcohol, or dishwashing liquid may alter the camera body or peel the surface finish. Do not use these solvents.
- When using a chemical dust cloth, follow the instructions that came with the cloth.

Do not use the unit for surveillance purposes or other business uses.

- This unit was designed for consumer intermittent use. It was not intended for continuous use, or for any industrial or commercial application resulting in prolonged use.
- In certain situations, continuous use could cause the unit to overheat and cause a malfunction. Such use is strongly discouraged.

When you are not going to use the unit for an extended time

- When storing the unit in a cupboard, it is recommended that you place a desiccant (silica gel) in with it.

When disposing of or giving away this unit, note that:

- Conducting a logical format or deleting the data on the built-in memory of this unit only modifies the file management records, and the data contained within the built-in memory is not completely deleted. The data may be able to be recovered using commercially available products such as data recovery (restoration) software.
- When disposing of/giving away the unit, we recommend that you physically format the built-in memory of the unit. (→ 48)

- Please look after the data in your built-in memory carefully. Panasonic will not be held responsible in the unlikely case that private data is divulged.

About the battery

The battery used in this unit is a rechargeable lithium-ion battery. It is susceptible to humidity and temperature and the effect increases the more the temperature rises or falls. In cold areas, the full charge indication may not appear or the low battery indication may appear about 5 minutes after starting use. At high temperatures, the protection function may be triggered, making it impossible to use the unit.

Be sure to detach the battery after use.

- If the battery is left attached, a minute amount of current continues to flow even if the unit is off. Keeping the unit in this state may result in over discharge of the battery. This may result in you not being able to use the battery even after it is charged.
- The battery should be stored in the vinyl bag so metal does not come into contact with the terminals.
- The battery should be stored in a cool place free from humidity, with as constant temperature as possible. (Recommended temperature: 15 °C to 25 °C (59 °F to 77 °F), Recommended humidity: 40%RH to 60%RH)
- Extremely high temperatures or low temperatures will shorten the life of the battery.
- Do not contaminate the terminal portion of the battery attachment portion or the battery terminals.
- If the battery is kept in high-temperature, high-humidity, or oily-smoky places, the terminals may rust and cause malfunctions.
- To store the battery for a long period of time, we recommend you charge it once every year and store it again after you have completely used up the charged capacity.
- Dust and other matter attached to the battery terminals should be removed.
- Do not remove the external labels and this may result in a malfunction of the unit.

Prepare spare batteries when going out for recording.

- Prepare batteries enough to last for 3 to 4 times the period you are planning to record for. Cold places such as a ski resort can shorten recording time.

If you drop the battery accidentally, check to see if the terminals are damaged.

- Inserting a battery with damaged terminals can damage the unit.

Do not throw old battery into fire.

- Heating a battery or throwing it into a fire may result in an explosion.

If the operating time is very short even after the battery has been recharged, the battery has worn out. Please purchase a new battery.

About the AC adaptor

- If the temperature of the battery is extremely high or extremely low, charging may take time or the battery may not be charged.
- If you use the AC adaptor near a radio, radio reception may be disturbed. Keep the AC adaptor 1 m (3.3 feet) or more away from the radio.
- When using the AC adaptor, it may generate whirring sounds. However, this is normal.
- After use, be sure to disconnect the AC adaptor. (If you leave this unit connected, the AC adaptor will consume approximately 0.2 W of current.)
- Always keep the electrodes of the AC adaptor clean.

About status indicator during charging

When the status indicator is flashing at a particularly fast or slow rate, the following should be considered.

Flashing with approx. 4 second period (off for approx. 2 seconds, on for approx. 2 seconds):

- When the battery is over discharged or the temperature of the battery is too high or low. It can be charged, but it may take a few hours to complete the charging normally.
- It will flash in approx. 2 second intervals when normal charging resumes. Even in such cases, it may start flashing in approx. 4 second intervals until charging is completed depending on the conditions of use.

Flashing with approx. 0.5 second period (off for approx. 0.25 second, on for approx. 0.25 second):

- The battery is not charged. Remove the battery from the unit, and try charging again.
- Check that the terminals of the unit or battery are not dirty or covered with a foreign object, and connect the battery correctly once again. If a foreign object or dirt is present, turn off the unit before removing.
- The battery or environment is at an extremely high or low temperature. Wait until the temperature has returned to an appropriate level and try charging again. If you are still unable to charge, there may be a fault in the unit, battery or AC adaptor.

Off:

- Charging has finished.
- If the status indicator stays off despite the charging being unfinished, there may be a fault in the unit, battery or AC adaptor. Refer to page 153 for details on the battery.

About the SD card

When disposing of or giving away the SD card, note that:

- Conducting a logical format or deleting the data on the SD card using functions available on the unit or a computer only modifies the file management records, and the data contained within the SD card is not completely deleted.
- It is recommended that the SD card is physically destroyed or the SD card is physically formatted using this unit when disposing of or giving away the SD card. (→ 48)
- The customer is responsible for the management of the data in the SD card.

LCD monitor

- When the LCD monitor gets dirty, wipe it with a soft cloth, such as eyeglass cleaner.
- In a place with drastic temperature changes, condensation may form on the LCD monitor. Wipe it with a soft cloth, such as eyeglass cleaner.
- When the unit has become very cold, for example due to storage in a cold area, its LCD monitor will be slightly darker than usual immediately after the unit is turned on. The normal brightness will be restored when the unit's internal temperature rises.

Extremely high precision technology is employed to produce the LCD Monitor screen featuring a total of approximately 230,000 dots. The result is more than 99.99% effective dots with a mere 0.01% of the dots inactive or always lit. However, this is not a malfunction and does not affect the recorded picture.

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Recording Modes/approximate recordable time

- SD cards are only mentioned with their main memory size. The stated times are the approximate recordable times for continuous recording.

Recording Mode		1080-60i ^{*1}	1080-30p ^{*1}	720-60p ^{*1}	720-30p ^{*1}	480-30p ^{*2}
Picture size		1920×1080	1920×1080	1280×720	1280×720	640×480
SD card	4 GB	20 min	30 min	30 min	50 min	2 h 20 min
	16 GB	1 h 50 min	2 h 10 min	2 h 10 min	3 h 30 min	9 h 50 min
	64 GB	7 h	8 h 20 min	7 h 50 min	13 h 20 min	32 h
Built-in memory	Approx. 65 MB	15 s	20 s	20 s	40 s	2 min


Recording Mode		iFrame ^{*3}	
Picture size		960×540	VOICE RECORD
SD card	4 GB	20 min	31 h
	16 GB	1 h 20 min	128 h
	64 GB	5 h 20 min	512 h
Built-in memory	Approx. 65 MB	10 s	30 min

*1 High-definition image quality

*2 Conventional standard image quality

*3 Please use when playing back/editing on a Mac.

- If recording for long periods, prepare batteries for 3 or 4 times the period you wish to record for. (→ 14)
- The default setting is 1080-30p mode.
- Recording a quickly moving subject or recording a number of short scenes may shorten the recordable time.





- When the [REC MODE] is set to  (VOICE RECORD), the file is saved after approximately 5 hours of recording, and the audio recording ends. With other Recording Mode setting, the unit saves the file and saves the continuation in a new file when the file size exceeds 4 GB during recording. (A new file is created automatically every 4 GB. The recording state is continued until the unit enters the paused state)
- Use time in the row of 4 GB in above table as a guideline for the time that can be copied onto one DVD disc (4.7 GB).



Approximate number of recordable pictures

- SD cards are only mentioned with their main memory size. The stated number is the approximate number of recordable pictures.

Picture size		16M 4608×3456	14M 4352×3264	7M 3072×2304
Aspect ratio		4:3	4:3	4:3
SD card	4 GB	450	500	1000
	16 GB	1900	2100	4200
	64 GB	7500	8500	16500
Built-in memory	Approx. 65 MB	5	5	15

Picture size		3M 2048×1536	0.3M 640×480
Aspect ratio		4:3	4:3
SD card	4 GB	2300	16500
	16 GB	9000	67000
	64 GB	36000	237000
Built-in memory	Approx. 65 MB	40	250

Picture size		 10M	 7.8M	 3.5M	 2M
		4352×2448	3744×2106	2560×1440	1920×1080
Aspect ratio		16:9	16:9	16:9	16:9
SD card	4 GB	650	900	1900	3400
	16 GB	2800	3800	7500	13500
	64 GB	11000	15000	31000	52000
Built-in memory	Approx. 65 MB	10	15	30	50

Picture size		 (360° PANORAMA)	 (180° PANORAMA)		
		14400×720	1280×1440	7200×720	1280×7200
Aspect ratio		—		—	
SD card	4 GB	400		800	
	16 GB	1600		3300	
	64 GB	6500		13000	
Built-in memory	Approx. 65 MB	5		10	

- The memory capacity indicated on the label of an SD card is the total of the capacity for copyright protection and management and the capacity which can be used on the unit, a PC etc.

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