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DiMAGE X20

E INSTRUCTION MANUAL

BEFORE YOU BEGIN

Thank you for purchasing this Minolta product. Please take the time to read through this instruction manual so you can enjoy all the features of your new digital camera.

Check the packing list before using this product. If any items are missing, immediately contact your camera dealer.

Minolta DiMAGE X20 digital camera
AA-size alkaline batteries
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SD Memory Card
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Camera manual
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FOR PROPER AND SAFE USE

Read and understand all warnings and cautions before using this product.

WARNING

Using batteries improperly can cause them to leak harmful solutions, overheat, or explode which may damage property or cause personal injury. Do not ignore the following warnings.

- Only use the batteries specified in this instruction manual.
- Do not install the batteries with the polarity (+/-) reversed.
- Do not use batteries which show wear or damage.
- Do not expose batteries to fire, high temperatures, water, or moisture.
- Do not attempt to short or disassemble batteries.
- Do not store batteries near or in metallic products.
- Do not mix batteries of different types, brands, ages, or charge levels.
- Do not charge lithium batteries.
- When recharging rechargeable batteries, only use the recommended charger.
- Do not use leaking batteries. If fluid from the batteries enters your eye, immediately rinse the eye with plenty of fresh water and contact a doctor. If fluid from the batteries makes contact with your skin or clothing, wash the area thoroughly with water.
- Tape over battery contacts to avoid short-circuiting during disposal; always follow local regulations for battery disposal.

- Use only the specified AC adapter within the voltage range indicated on the adapter unit. An inappropriate adapter or current may cause damage or injury through fire or electric shock.
- Do not disassemble this product. Electric shock may cause injury if a high voltage circuit inside the product is touched.
- Immediately remove the batteries or unplug the AC adapter and discontinue use if the camera is dropped or subjected to an impact in which the interior, especially the flash unit, is exposed. The flash has a high voltage circuit which may cause an electric shock resulting in injury. The continued use of a damaged product or part may cause injuries or fire.
- Keep batteries or small parts that could be swallowed away from infants. Contact a doctor immediately if an object is swallowed.
- Store this product out of reach of children. Be careful when around children not to harm them with the product or parts.
- Do not fire the flash directly into the eyes. It may damage eyesight.
- Do not fire the flash at vehicle operators. It may cause a distraction or temporary blindness which may lead to an accident.
- Do not use the monitor while operating a vehicle or walking. It may result in injury or an accident.

- Do not use this product in a humid environment, or operate this product with wet hands. If liquid enters the product, immediately remove the batteries or unplug the AC adapter and discontinue use. The continued use of a product exposed to liquids may cause damage or injury through fire or electric shock.
- Do not use the product near inflammable gases or liquids such as gasoline, benzine, or paint thinner. Do not use inflammable products such as alcohol, benzine, or paint thinner to clean the product. The use of inflammable cleaners and solvents may cause an explosion or fire.
- When unplugging the AC adapter, do not pull on the power cord. Hold the adapter unit when removing it from an outlet.
- Do not damage, twist, modify, heat, or place heavy objects on the AC adapter cord. A damaged cord may cause damage or injury through fire or electric shock.
- If the product emits a strange odor, heat, or smoke, discontinue use. Immediately remove the batteries taking care not to burn yourself as the batteries become hot with use. The continued use of a damaged product or part may cause injuries or fire.
- Take the product to a Minolta Service Facility when repairs are required.
- Handling the cord on this product will expose you to lead, a chemical known to the States of California to cause cancer, and birth defects or other reproductive harm. Wash hands after handling.

CAUTION

- Do not use or store the product in a hot or humid environment such as the glove compartment or trunk of a car. It may damage the product and batteries which may result in burns or injuries caused by heat, fire, explosion, or leaking battery fluid.
- If batteries are leaking, discontinue use of the product.
- The camera temperature rises with extended periods of use. Care should be taken to avoid burns.
- Burns may result if the memory card or batteries are removed immediately after extended periods of use. Turn the camera off and wait for it to cool.
- Do not fire the flash while it is in contact with people or objects. The flash unit discharges a large amount of energy which may cause burns.
- Do not apply pressure to the LCD monitor. A damaged monitor may cause injury, and the liquid from the monitor may cause inflammation. If liquid from the monitor makes contact with skin, wash the area with fresh water. If liquid from the monitor comes in contact with the eyes, immediately rinse the eyes with plenty of water and contact a doctor.
- When using the AC adapter, insert the plug securely into the electrical outlet.
- Do not use if the AC adapter cord is damaged.
- Do not cover the AC adapter. A fire may result.
- Do not obstruct access to the AC adapter; this can hinder the unplugging of the unit in emergencies.
- Unplug the AC adapter when cleaning or when the product is not in use.

The following marks may be found on the product:



This mark on your camera certifies that this camera meets the requirements of the EU (European Union) concerning interference causing equipment regulations. CE stands for Conformité Européenne (European Conformity).

This Class B digital apparatus complies with Canadian ICES-003.

Cet appareil numérique de la classe B est conforme à la norme NMB-003 du Canada.

Digital Camera: DiIMAGE X20



Tested To Comply
With FCC Standards

FOR HOME OR OFFICE USE

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation. Changes or modifications not approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment. This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for

a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and the receiver.
- Connect the equipment to an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

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Do not remove the ferrite cores from the cables.

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Many of the features of this camera are controlled with menus. The menu navigation sections concisely describe how to change menu settings. Descriptions of the settings immediately follow the navigation sections.

The appendix contains a troubleshooting section to help answer questions about the operation of the camera. Information covering camera care and storage is also provided. Please store this manual in a safe place.

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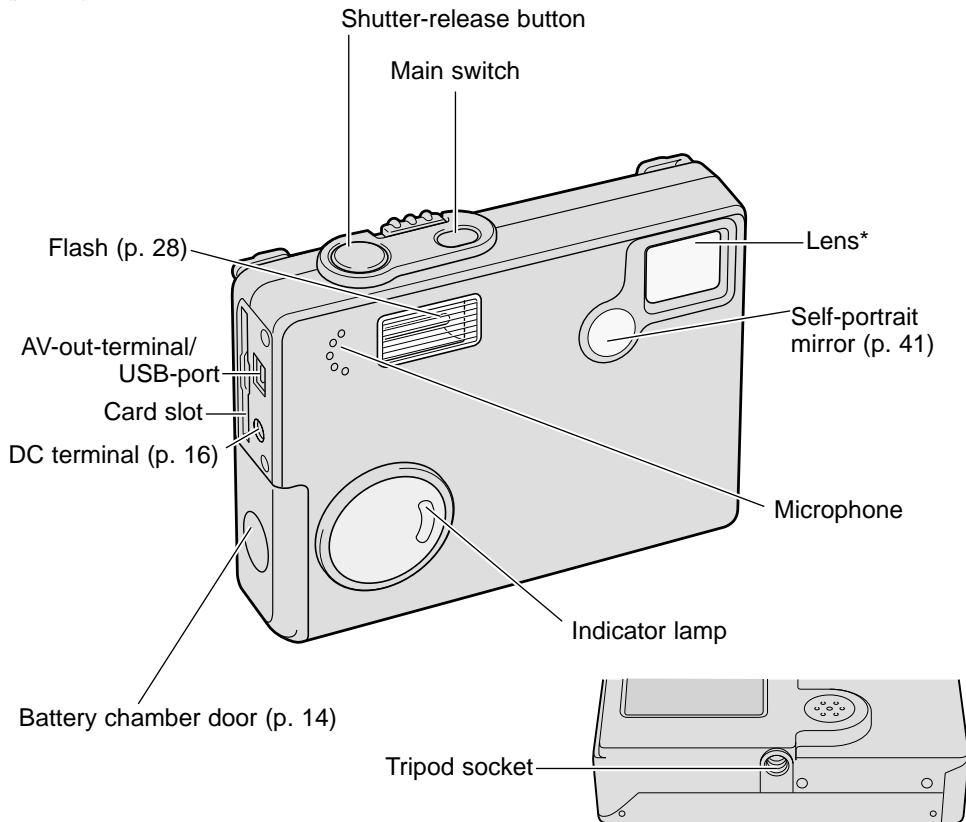
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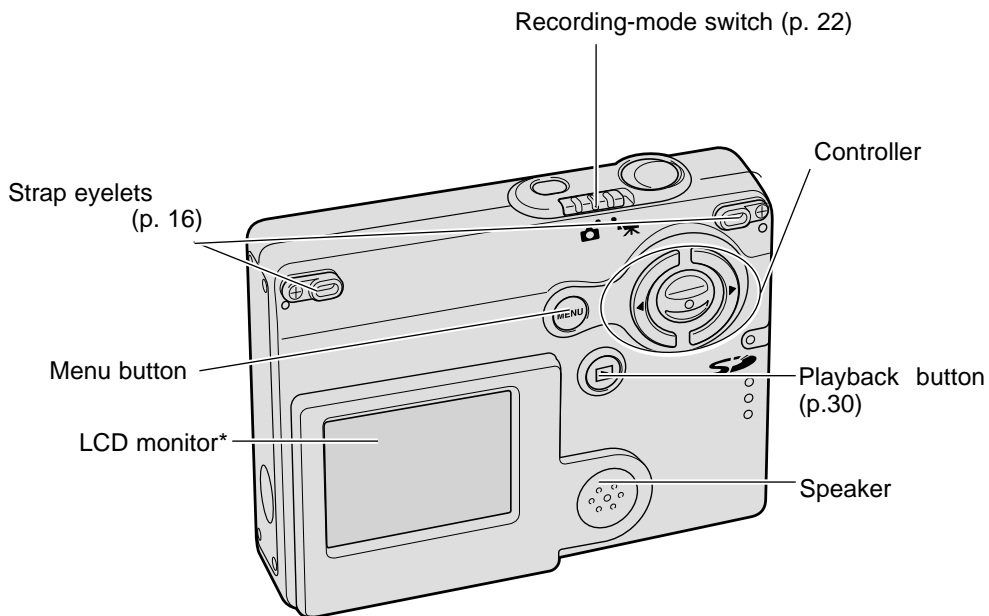
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NAMES OF PARTS

* This camera is a sophisticated optical instrument. Care should be taken to keep these surfaces clean. Please read the care and storage instructions in the back of this manual (p. 107).





GETTING UP AND RUNNING

INSERTING THE BATTERIES

This digital camera uses two AA-size alkaline batteries or NI-MH batteries. AA-size NI-MH batteries are recommended because of longer life. Performance varies with the brand of battery. When using NI-MH batteries, fully recharge them with a battery charger suitable for complex electronic equipment. Please consult your vendor about an appropriate charger. Before using the battery, read the safety warnings on pages 3 and 6 of this manual. When replacing the battery, the camera should be turned off.

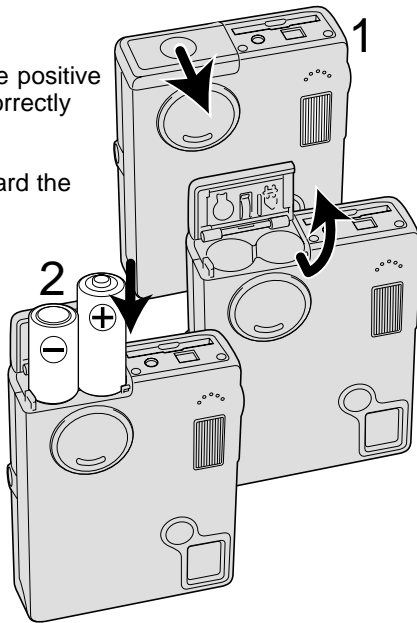
Slide the battery-chamber door toward the front of the camera to release the safety catch (1). Open the door.

Insert the AA batteries as shown; make sure the positive and negative battery terminals are oriented correctly (2).

Close the battery-chamber door and slide it toward the back of the camera to engage the safety catch.

After installing the battery, the set-time/date message may appear on the monitor. The clock and calendar is set in the section 3 of the setup menu (p. 20). An internal battery protects the clock, calendar, and memory settings for approximately 1 hour if the battery has been fully charged before being removed.

Carbon-zinc, nickel zinc battery and AA lithium battery can not be used for this camera.



BATTERY-CONDITION INDICATOR

This camera is equipped with an automatic battery-condition indicator displayed on the LCD monitor. The icon will change from white to red when battery power is low.



Full-battery icon - the battery is fully charged. This icon is displayed when the camera is on.



Half-full-battery icon - the battery is partially charged. This icon is displayed when the camera is turned on. The LCD monitor will turn off when the flash is charging.



Low-battery warning - battery power is very low. The battery should be replaced as soon as possible. This warning automatically appears and remains on the monitor until the battery is recharged. If the power level falls below this level when the camera is on, the battery-exhausted message will appear just before the camera shuts down.

If power is insufficient for camera operation, LCD monitor will be blank and the shutter will not release. Change the batteries.

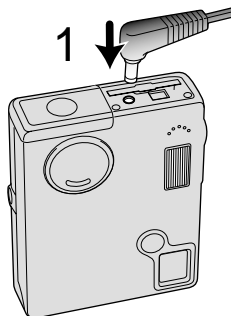
AUTO POWER OFF

To conserve battery power, the camera will shut down if an operation is not made within three minutes. To restore power, press the main switch. The length of the auto-power-off period can be changed in the section 2 of the setup menu (p. 87). When the camera is connected to a computer, the auto-power-off period is set to ten minutes and cannot be changed.

AC ADAPTER (SOLD SEPARATELY)



Always turn off the camera before changing between power supplies.



The AC-6L Adapter allows the camera to be powered from a household outlet. The AC adapter is recommended when the camera is interfaced with a computer or during periods of heavy use.

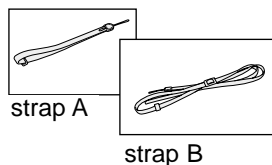
Insert the mini plug of the AC adapter into the DC terminal (1).

Insert the AC adapter plug into an electrical outlet.

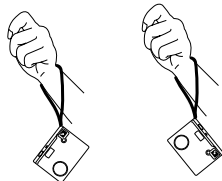
ATTACHING THE STRAP

Always keep the strap in the event that the camera is accidentally dropped.

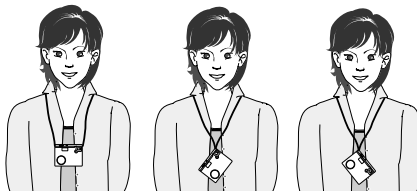
Two types of straps are included with this camera as shown; Strap A alone can be used as a wrist strap. Straps A and B combined can be used as a neck strap.



Using strap A



Using both straps A and B

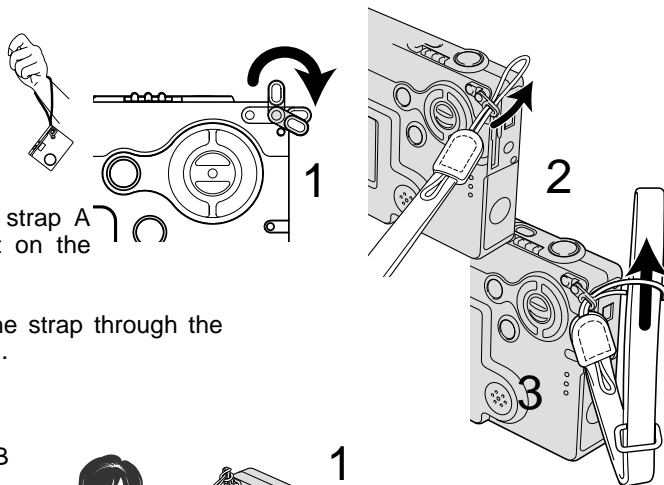


Using strap A

Turn the strap eyelet so that the strap A can pass through it.(1)

Pass the small loop of strap A through the strap eyelet on the camera body (2).

Pass the other end of the strap through the small loop and tighten (3).



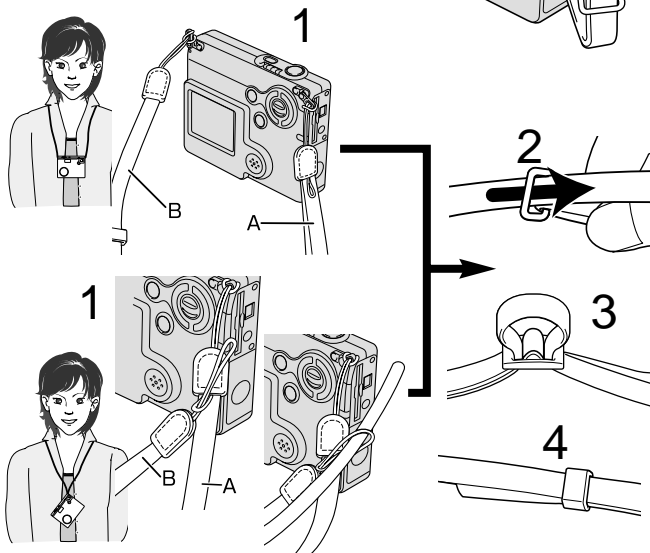
Using both straps A and B

Pass the small loop of strap B through the other strap eyelet or the loop of strap A (1).

Pass the end of strap B through the link of the strap A (2).

Pass the tip of strap B through the buckle and pull to tighten (3).

Slide the holder ring over the tip (4).



INSTALLING AND REMOVING A MEMORY CARD



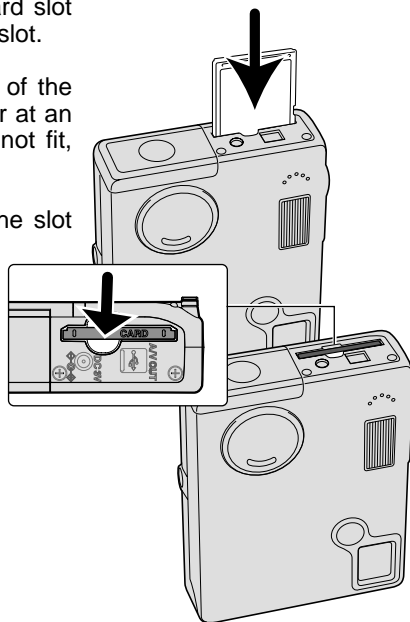
Always turn off the camera and confirm the flash/access lamp is not orange and blinking before changing the memory card, otherwise the card may be damaged, and data lost.

An SD (Secure Digital) Memory card or MultiMediaCard must be inserted for the camera to operate. If a card has not been inserted, a no-card warning will appear on the LCD monitor; the shutter can still be released and a single image can be captured (p. 58).

Insert the memory card all the way into the card slot and then release. The card should catch in the slot.

Insert the card so the face is toward the front of the camera. Always push the card in straight, never at an angle. Never force the card. If the card does not fit, check that it is orientated correctly.

To eject a memory card, press the card into the slot and release. The card can now be pulled out.

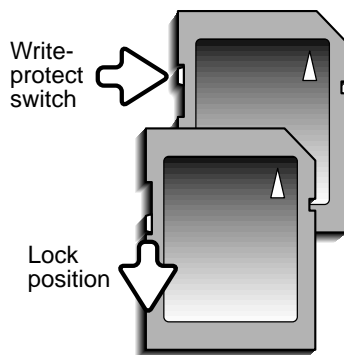


ABOUT MEMORY CARDS

The response time during recording and playback is longer with MultiMediaCards compared with SD Memory Cards. This is not a defect, but rather due to the specifications of the cards. When using large capacity cards, some operations like deletion may take longer.

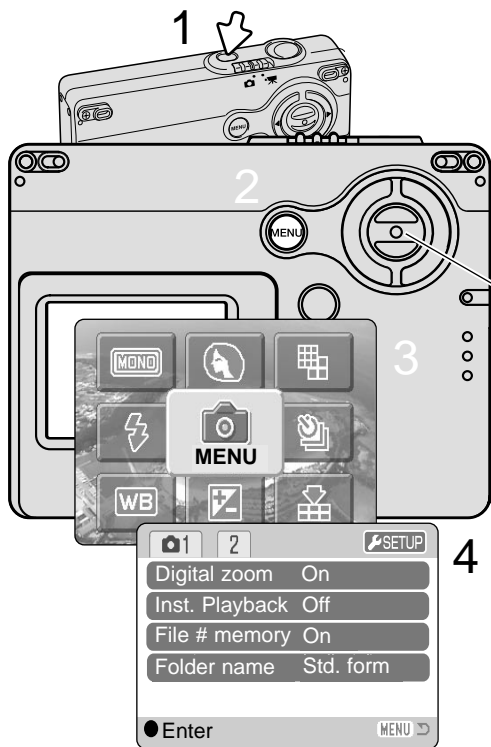
The SD Memory Card has a write-protect switch to prevent image data from being deleted. By sliding the switch to the bottom of the card, the data will be protected. However, when the card is protected, images cannot be recorded. If an attempt is made to record or delete an image with the camera, the card-locked message will appear and the LED lamps near the card slot will turn red and blink quickly. For memory card care and store see page 110.

If the unable-to-use-card message appears, the inserted card in the camera may need to be formatted. A card used in another camera may also have to be formatted before being used. A card can be formatted in the section 1 of the setup menu (p. 84). When a card is formatted, all the data on the card is permanently erased.



SETTING THE DATE AND TIME

After initially inserting a memory card and charging the battery, the camera's clock and calendar must be set on the setup menu. When images are recorded, the image data is saved with the date and time of recording. Depending on the region, the menu language may also have to be set. To change the language, see the camera notes on the following page.



Turn the camera on by pressing the main switch near the shutter-release button (1).



Press the menu button to display the main menu on the LCD monitor (2).

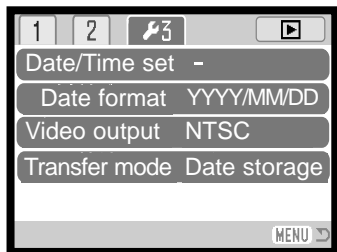
Controller

Press the central button of the controller while the main menu is displayed on the LCD monitor to open the recording-mode menu (3).



In the recording-mode menu, the setup icon is located on the top-right corner. Highlight the setup icon with the right key of the controller and press the center of the controller to open the setup menu (4).

Navigating the setup menu is simple. The four-way keys of the controller move the cursor and change settings on the menu. Pressing the center of the controller selects menu options and sets adjustments.



Use the right key to highlight section 3 at the top of the menu.



Use the down key to highlight the date/time-set menu option.



Press the right key. "Enter" will appear on the right side of the menu.



Press the central button to display the date/time setting screen.

Setup menu: section 3



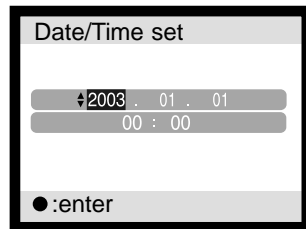
Use the left and right keys to select the item to be changed.



Use up and down keys to adjust the item.



Press the central button to set the clock and calendar. The setup menu will be displayed.



Date/Time setting screen

Camera notes

For customers in certain areas, the menu language must also be set. Highlight the language option in the section 1 of the setup menu. Press the right key to display the language settings. Using the up/down keys, highlight the desired language. Press the central button to set the highlighted language; the setup menu will be displayed in the selected language.

RECORDING MODE - BASIC OPERATION

This section covers basic recording operation. To prepare the camera for use, read pages 14 through 21.

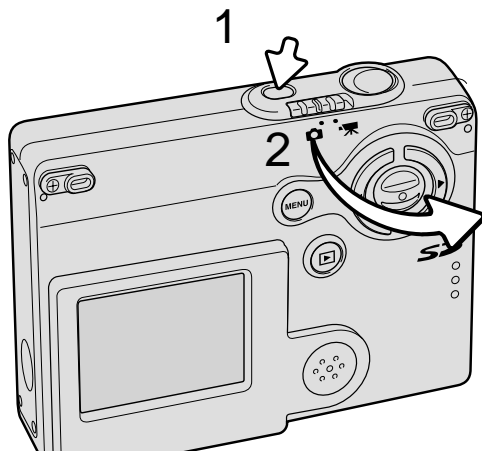
HANDLING THE CAMERA

While using LCD monitor, grip the camera firmly with your right hand while supporting the camera body with your left. Keep your elbows at your side and your feet shoulder-width apart to hold the camera steadily.

When taking vertical pictures, hold the camera so that the flash is above the lens with the shutter-release button to the top. Take care not to cover the lens with your fingers or the strap.



SETTING THE CAMERA TO RECORD IMAGES



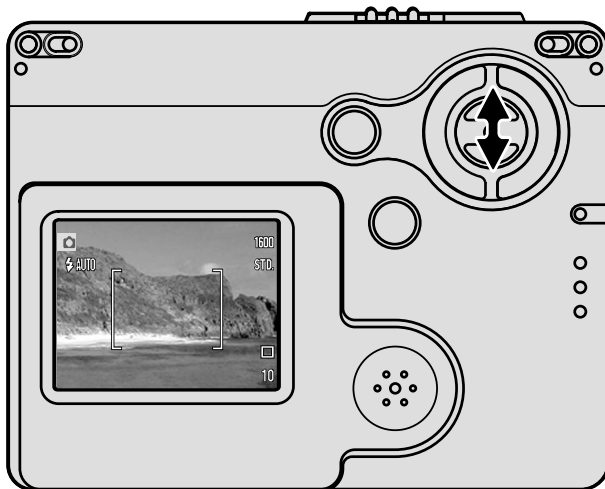
Turn the camera on by pressing the main switch near the shutter-release button (1).



Slide the recording-mode switch to recording-mode. It is the default setting.

USING THE ZOOM LENS

This camera is equipped with a unique 4.8 - 14.4mm zoom lens. This is equivalent to a 37 to 111mm lens on a 35mm camera. The lens is operated by the controller at the back of the camera. The effect of the optical zoom is visible on the LCD monitor.



To zoom in on the subject, push the up key (T) of the controller.

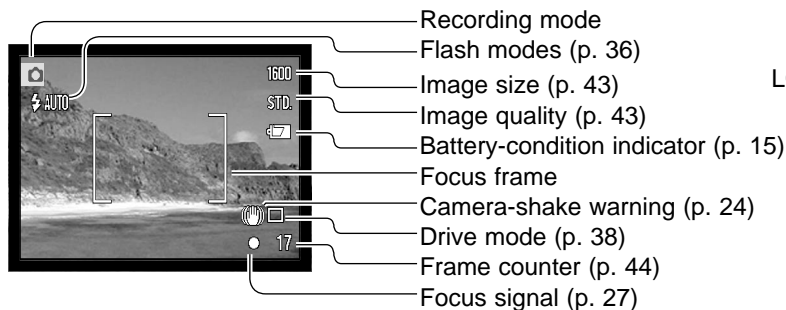
To zoom out, push the down key (W) of the controller.

The digital-zoom function can increase the power of the lens. The digital zoom is activated in the section 1 of the recording-mode menu (p. 55).

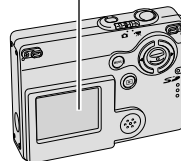
Shooting tips

The zoom lens not only affects how large the subject is in the picture, but it also influences the depth of field and perspective. Depth of field is the area between the closest object in focus and the furthest object in focus. As the lens zooms in to the telephoto position, the depth of field becomes shallower, separating the subject from the background. Many portraits are taken with telephoto lenses. Zooming the lens out to the wide-angle position makes both the foreground and background appear sharper. Usually landscape photographs take advantage of the large depth of field of wide-angle lenses. Wide-angle lenses also create a strong perspective which gives a sense of depth in the image. Telephoto lenses compress the space between the subject and background and create a weak perspective.

LCD MONITOR DISPLAY - BASIC



LCD monitor



CAMERA-SHAKE WARNING



If the shutter speed falls below the point where the camera can be hand held safely, the camera-shake warning indicator will appear on the monitor. Camera shake is slight blurring caused by subtle hand motion and is more pronounced at the telephoto position of the lens than at the wide-angle position. Although the warning appears, the shutter can still be released. If the warning appears, place the camera on a tripod or use the built-in flash.



BASIC RECORDING OPERATION



Turn the camera on and slide the recording-mode switch to the recording position.



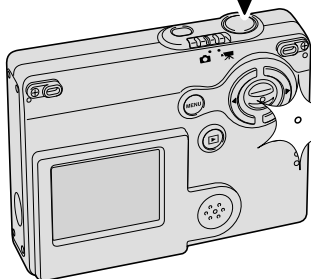
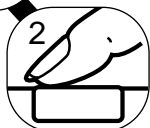
Place the subject within the focus frame on the LCD monitor.

- The focus-lock function (p. 26) can be used with off-center subjects.



Press the shutter-release button partway down (1) to lock the focus and exposure.

- The focus signals (p. 27) on the monitor will confirm that the image is in focus. If the monitor focus signal is red, the camera was unable to focus on the subject. Repeat the previous steps until the focus signal is white.



Press the shutter-release button all the way down (2) to take the picture.

- After the shutter releases, the flash/access lamp next to the card slot will turn orange and blink indicating image data is being written to the memory card. Never remove a memory card while data is being transferred.
- The image can be previewed after it is captured by continuing to hold down the shutter-release button. Instant playback also can be used (p. 56).

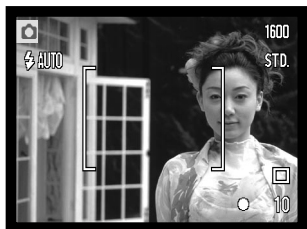
FOCUS LOCK

The focus-lock function is used when you want to compose the image with the subject off-center and outside the focus frame. Focus lock may also be used when a special focusing situation prevents the camera from focusing on the subject. This function is controlled with the shutter-release button.



Place the subject within the monitor focus frame. Press and hold the shutter-release button partway down to lock the focus.

- The focus signal on the monitor will indicate if the focus is locked.



Without lifting your finger from the shutter-release button, recompose the subject within the image area. Press the shutter-release button all the way down to take the picture.

FOCUS RANGE

The focus range is 10cm (0.3ft.) to infinity. The LCD monitor can be used to frame the subject.

FOCUS SIGNALS

This digital camera has a quick, accurate autofocus system. The focus signal in the lower right corner of the LCD monitor indicates the focus status. The shutter can be released regardless if the camera can focus on the subject or not.



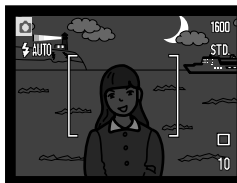
Focus signal

Focus confirmed - the LCD monitor focus signal is white.
Focus is locked.

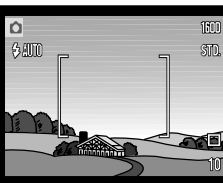
Cannot focus - the LCD monitor focus signal is red.

SPECIAL FOCUSING SITUATIONS

The camera may not be able to focus in certain situations. In these situations the focus-lock function (p. 26) can be used to focus on another object at the same distance as your main subject, and then the image can be recomposed to take the picture.



The subject is too dark.



The subject in the focus frame is low in contrast.



Two subjects at different distances overlap in the focus frame.



The subject is near a very bright object or area.

FLASH SIGNALS

The flash mode indicator of the LCD monitor indicates the flash status, when the shutter-release button is pressed partway down. While the flash is charging, the shutter cannot be released.



Flash mode indicator

Flash charging - Flash mode indicator is red.
Focus is locked.

Flash ready - Flash mode indicator is white.

When the LCD monitor displays live image only, a red flash mode indicator will appear on the LCD monitor to indicate the flash is charging, when the shutter-release button is pressed partway down.

When the LCD monitor is off or turns off because of the too low battery, the flash/access lamp next to the card slot will indicate the status of the flash, when the shutter-release button is pressed partway down. When the lamp is red and blinks quickly, the flash is charging.

When the subject distance is closer than 20 cm (0.66 ft.) at the wide-angle setting, exposure may not be achieved evenly because of the parallax between the lens and flash. Recommend to use flash cancel in this case, see page 37.

FLASH RANGE - AUTOMATIC OPERATION

The camera automatically controls the flash output. For well-exposed images, the subject must be within the flash range. Because of the optical system, the flash range is not the same at the lens' wide-angle position as it is at the telephoto position. The flash ranged can be changed with camera sensitivity (ISO), see page 51.

Wide-angle position

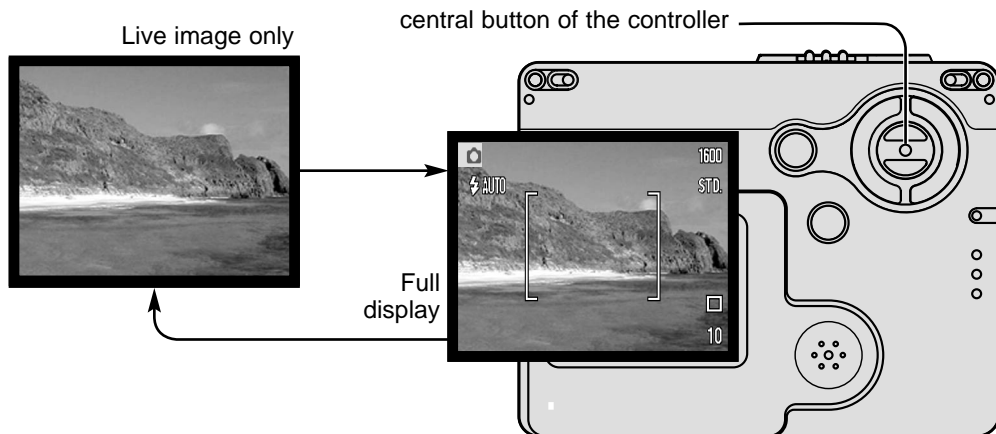
0.10m ~ 3.6m (0.3 ft. ~ 11.8 ft.)

Telephoto position

0.10m ~ 2.7m (0.3 ft. ~ 8.9 ft.)

LCD MONITOR DISPLAY - RECORDING MODE

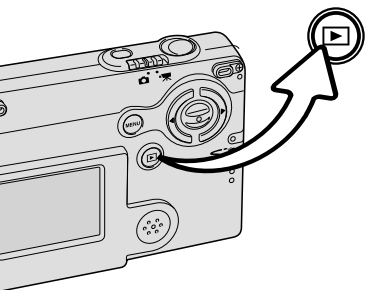
Pressing and holding the central button of the controller switches the LCD monitor display between full display and live image only.



The battery-condition and date-imprinting indicators can appear on the live image only display. When auto reset is active, the LCD monitor will be reset to the full display when the camera is turned off.

PLAYBACK - BASIC OPERATION

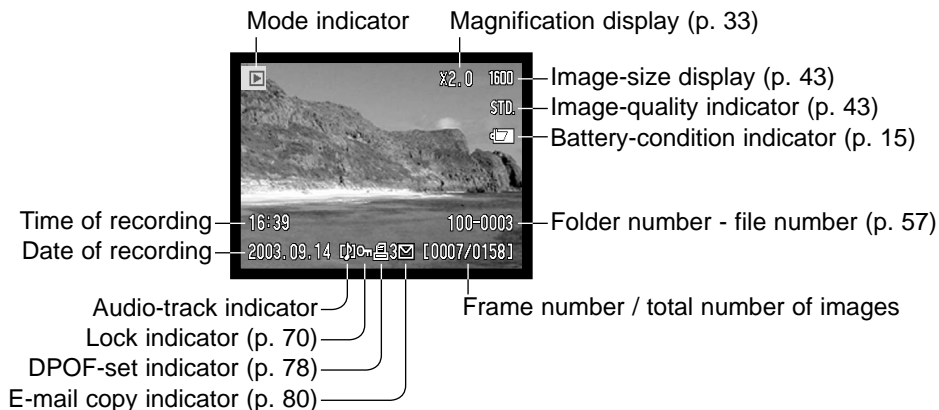
Images can be viewed in the playback mode. This section covers the basic operation in the playback mode. The playback mode has additional functions, see page 62.

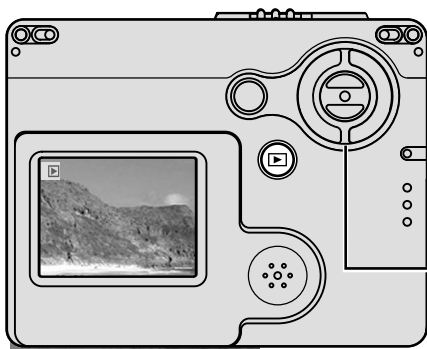


To view images from the playback mode, press the playback button.

To return to the recording mode, press the playback button again or operate the recording mode switch.

SINGLE-FRAME PLAYBACK DISPLAY





VIEWING IMAGES

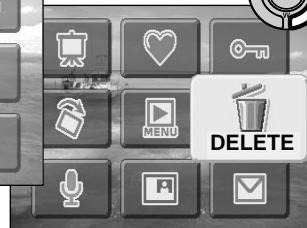


In the playback mode, use the left/right keys of the controller to scroll through the images on the memory card. The images can be scrolled faster by holding the left/right keys.

Controller

DELETING SINGLE IMAGES

To delete a displayed image, use the main menu of the recording-mode. Press the menu button to display the main menu on the LCD monitor, then use the controller to select the delete icon.



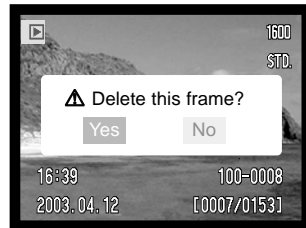
Press the central button of the controller and a confirmation screen will appear.



Use the left/right keys to highlight "YES." "NO" will cancel the operation.

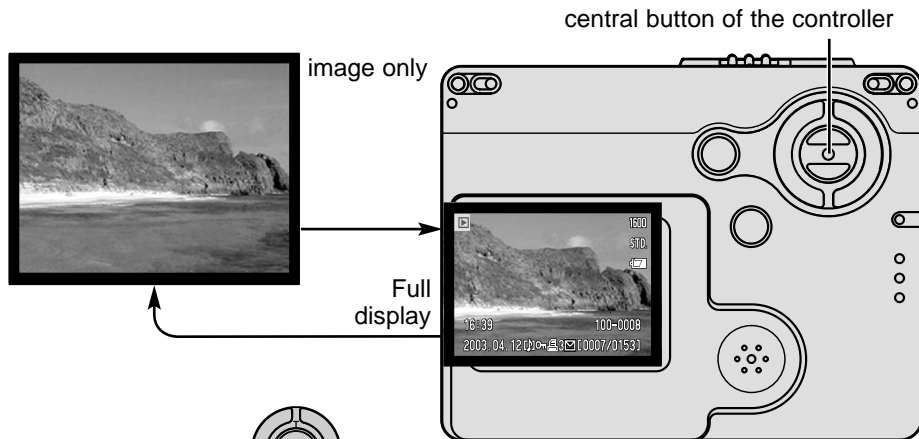


Press the center button of the controller to delete the file.



LCD MONITOR DISPLAY - PLAYBACK MODE

Pressing and holding the central button of the controller switches LCD monitor display between full display and image only.



Index playback

Index display can be shown with the down key being held until the display is changed.

In index playback, the left/right of the controller move the yellow border around the index thumbnails. To scroll the index thumbnails faster, keep pressing left/right of the controller. When the image is highlighted with the border, the date of recording, audio-track indicator, the lock and printing status, e-mail copy indicator and the frame number of the image are displayed at the bottom of the screen. The accompanying audio track of the highlighted image can be played by pressing the center button of the controller. When the up key is pressed and held, the highlighted image will be displayed in the single-frame playback mode.

ENLARGED PLAYBACK

In single-frame playback, a still image can be enlarged by up to 6X in 0.2X increments.



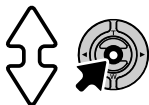
With the image to be magnified displayed, press the up key of the controller to activate the enlarged playback mode. The degree of magnification is displayed on the LCD monitor.



Pressing the up key increases the image magnification. Pressing the down key decreases the image magnification.



Holding the central button of the controller switches between showing the full display and image only.



To scroll the image, press the center button of the controller. Pressing the center button switches between the enlarged-playback and scroll screens.



Use the left/right and up/down keys of the controller to scroll the image.



To exit the enlarged playback mode, press the menu button.



The locator indicator in the top right corner of the monitor shows the area of the image being displayed.

RECORDING - ADVANCED OPERATION

LCD MONITOR DISPLAY - ADVANCED

Microphone
indicator

Portrait (p. 47)

Toning (p. 46)

Digital zoom (p. 55)

Image size (p. 43)

Image quality (p. 43)

Focus frame

Drive mode (p. 38)

Frame counter (p. 44)

Date-imprinting indicator (p. 54)

Focus signal (p. 27)

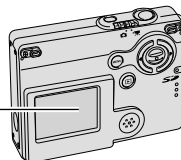
Exposure compensation

Camera-sensitivity display (p. 51)

White balance (p. 42)

Flash modes (p. 36)

LCD monitor



MAIN MENU NAVIGATION - RECORDING-MODE

When the menu button is pressed, the main menu appears on the LCD monitor and the basic menu options can be set. The following eight menu options are available in the main menu.



- 1.flash mode (p.36)
- 2.drive mode (p.38)
- 3.white balance (p.42)
- 4.image size (p.43)
- 5.image quality (p.43)
- 6.exposure compensation (p.45)
- 7.toning (p.46)
- 8.portrait (p.47)



To activate the main menu of the recording mode, press the menu button.



Use the controller to highlight the desired menu options.



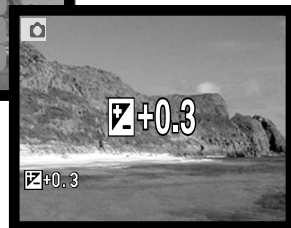
Press the central button to go into the selected options.



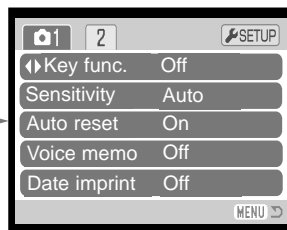
Press the up and down keys until the desired setting is selected. Pressing the menu button goes back to recording-mode.



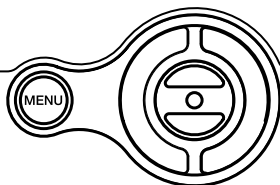
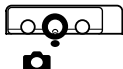
Press the central button of the controller to adjust the selected settings.



Selecting the menu icon while in the main menu leads to recording-mode menu where further options can be set. To navigate the menu, see page 43.



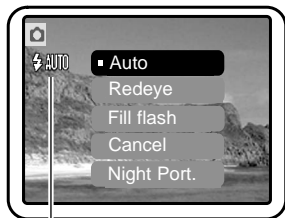
FLASH MODES









The flash can be used when taking still images. The flash mode is selected in the main menu of the recording mode (P.34). The active flash mode is displayed in the top left corner of the LCD monitor. When the camera is turned off and auto reset (p. 52) is active, the flash mode is reset to autoflash with red-eye reduction if this mode was last set, if not the mode

will be reset to autoflash. While the flash is charging, flash mode indicator on the LCD monitor turns red with the shutter-release button pressed partway down and the shutter cannot be released.

When the subject distance is closer than 20cm (0.66 ft.) at the wide-angle setting, image may not be evenly exposed because of the parallax between lens and flash. In these situations flash cancel is recommended.



| | |
|---|----------------------------------|
|  AUTO | Autoflash |
|  AUTO | Autoflash with red-eye reduction |
|  | Fill-flash |
|  | Flash cancel |
|   | Night portrait |

Autoflash - the flash fires automatically in low-light and backlit conditions.

Red-eye reduction - the flash fires multiple bursts before the main flash burst to reduce red-eye; an effect caused by light reflected from the retina. Use in low-light conditions when taking photographs of people or animals, the pre-flashes contract the pupils of the subject's eyes.

Fill-flash - the flash fires with each exposure regardless of the amount of ambient light. Fill-flash can be used to reduce harsh shadows caused by strong direct light or sunshine.

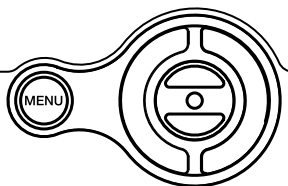
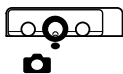


Flash cancel - the flash will not fire. Use flash cancel when flash photography is prohibited, natural light is desired to illuminate the subject, or the subject is beyond the flash range. The camera-shake warning may appear when flash cancel is selected (p. 24).

Night portrait - for flash portraits at night. The camera automatically balances the flash and background exposures. When taking portraits, ask your subject not to move after the flash burst; the shutter will still be open for the background exposure. The red-eye reduction function is used with night portrait.

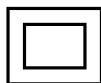
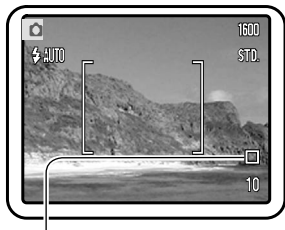


DRIVE MODES



The drive modes control the rate and method images are captured. Indicators indicating the selected drive mode appear on the monitor. The drive mode is selected in the main menu of the recording-mode (p. 34). If auto reset (p.

52) is active, the drive mode is reset to single-frame advance when the camera is turned off.



Single-frame advance - to take a single image each time the shutter-release button is pressed. This is the camera's default setting.



Self-timer - to delay the release of the shutter (p. 39). Used for self-portraits.



Continuous advance - to take multiple images when the shutter-release button is pressed and held (p. 40).



Multi frame - to capture a series of nine thumbnails within an image when the shutter-release button is pressed once (p. 41).



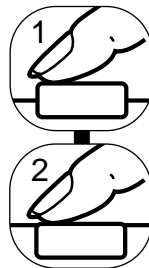
Self-portrait - to take a self-portrait using the self-portrait mirror on the front of the camera (p. 41).

Self-timer



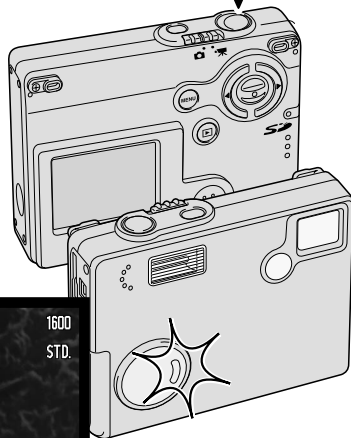
Used for self-portraits, the self-timer will delay the release of the shutter for approximately ten seconds after the shutter-release button is pressed. The self-timer drive mode is selected in the drive mode on the main menu of the recording-mode (p. 34).

With the camera on a tripod, compose the picture as described in the basic recording operation section (p. 25). Focus lock (p. 26) can be used with off-center subjects. Press the shutter-release button partway down to lock the exposure and focus (1). Press the shutter-release button all the way down to begin the countdown (2). Because focus and exposure are determined when the shutter-release button is pressed, do not stand in front of the camera when taking a self-timer image. Always confirm the focus with the focus signals before beginning the countdown (p. 27).

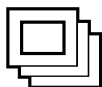


A countdown timer is displayed on the monitor. During the countdown, the indicator lamp on the front of the camera (3) will start to blink and is accompanied by an audio signal. A few seconds before the exposure, the indicator lamp will blink rapidly. The lamp will glow steadily just before the shutter fires.

To stop the countdown, press the up/down keys of the controller or the menu button. The drive mode will be reset to single-frame advance after the exposure. The audio signal can be turned off in the section 1 of the setup menu (p. 86).

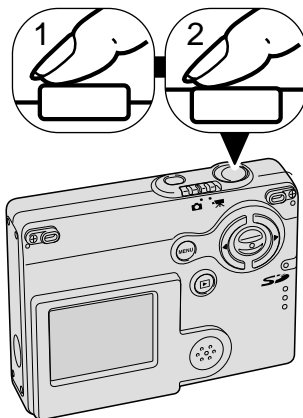


Continuous advance



The continuous-advance drive mode allows a series of images to be captured while holding down the shutter-release button. The number of images that can be captured at one time and the rate of capture depend on the image-quality and image-size setting. With the image-size setting of 1600 X 1200, the maximum rate of capture is 1.5 fps. Continuous advance is selected in the drive mode on the main menu of the recording-mode (p. 34).

Compose the picture as described in the basic recording operation section (p. 25). Press the shutter-release button partway down to lock the exposure and focus for the series (1). Press and hold the shutter-release button all the way down (2) to begin taking pictures. When the shutter-release button is pressed and held, the camera will begin recording images until the maximum number has been taken or the shutter button is released. ShutterFX is disabled (p.87). The built-in flash can be used, but the rate of capture is reduced because the flash must recharge between frames. Date imprinting (p. 54) also reduces the rate of capture. The frame counter is adjusted after the series has been taken while the images are being saved.



The chart lists the maximum number of images that can be captured with different image-quality and image-size combinations.

| Image Quality \ Image Size | 1600 X 1200 | 1280 X 960 | 640 X 480 |
|----------------------------|-------------|------------|-----------|
| Fine | 3 | 3 | 10 |
| Standard | 4 | 5 | 15 |
| Economy | 7 | 10 | 22 |

Multi frame



In multi frame, pressing the shutter release button once captures a series of nine thumbnail images and creates one image. Multi frame can be selected in the drive mode section of the recording-mode main menu (p.34).



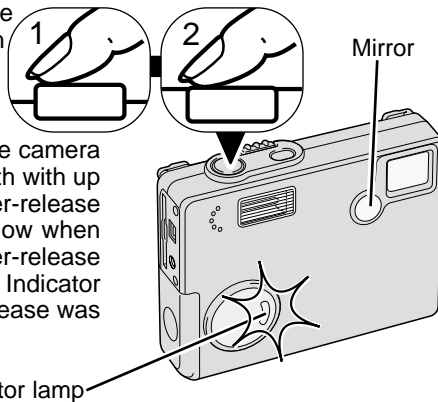
During the exposure, the indicator lamp on the front of the camera glows. Flash is canceled automatically. It is recommended that multi-frame mode is used when there is enough light to get a well-exposed picture. ShutterFX is disabled (p.87).

Self-portrait



Use this mode to take self-portraits using the self-portrait mirror on the front of the camera. The camera adjusts its focus not to exceed 1m/3.3 feet, and its focal length to wide-angle setting automatically.

Self-portrait can be selected in the drive mode section of the recording-mode main menu (p.34).

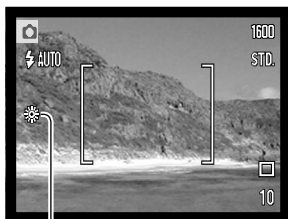


Look at the self-portrait mirror on the front of the camera to confirm the framing (1). Adjust the focal length with up or down keys if it's necessary. Press the shutter-release button partway down, the indicator lamp will glow when the focus is confirmed (2). Press the shutter-release button all the way down to take the picture (3). Indicator lamp will blink after exposure to indicate the release was completed.

WHITE BALANCE

White balance is the camera's ability to make different types of lighting appear neutral. The effect is similar to selecting daylight or tungsten film, or using color compensating filters in conventional photography. One automatic and four preset white-balance settings are available with still image and movie recording. White balance is set on the main menu of the recording-mode (p. 34) or the main menu of the movie-recording menu (p. 60). When auto reset (p. 52) is active, the white balance will be reset to automatic white balance when the camera is turned off.

The automatic white balance compensates for the color temperature of a scene. In most cases, the auto setting will balance the ambient light and create beautiful images, even under mixed-lighting conditions. When the built-in flash is used, the white balance is set for the color temperature of the flash.



Preset white-balance settings must be set before the image is taken. When one of the preset white-balance settings is selected, an indicator will be displayed on the LCD monitor to indicate the active white-balance setting; the effect is immediately visible on the monitor. To record the ambient light, set the flash mode to flash cancel (p. 36). The built-in flash can be used with preset white-balance, but will create a pinkish or blueish cast with the fluorescent and tungsten settings. The flash is daylight balanced and will produce good results with the daylight and cloudy settings.



Daylight - for outdoor and sunlit subjects.



Cloudy - for overcast outdoor scenes.



Tungsten - for incandescent lighting: household filament light bulbs.



Fluorescent - for fluorescent lighting: office ceiling lights.

IMAGE SIZE AND IMAGE QUALITY

Changing image size affects the number of pixels in each image. The greater the image size, the larger the file size. Choose image size based on the final use of the image - smaller images will be more suitable for web sites whereas larger sizes will produce higher quality prints.

| LCD monitor | Number of pixels (hor. X vert.) |
|-------------|------------------------------------|
| 1600 | 1600 X 1200 |
| 1280 | 1280 X 960 |
| 640 | 640 X 480 |



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|-------|---|
| FINE | Fine - high-quality image. (JPEG) |
| STD. | Standard - the default setting. (JPEG) |
| ECON. | Economy - the smallest file sizes. (JPEG) |

Image quality controls the rate of compression, but has no effect on the number of pixels in the image. The higher the image quality, the lower the rate of compression and the larger the file sizes. If economical use of the memory card is important, use the economy mode. Standard image quality is sufficient for normal usage.

File formats vary with the image quality setting. The fine, standard, and economy settings are formatted as a JPEG file. Fine, standard, and economy files can be recorded as color or monochrome images (p. 46).

Image size and quality must be set before the picture is taken. Changes are displayed on the LCD monitor. Image size and quality must be reset manually. Image size and quality are set in the main menu of the the recording-mode. See page 34.

If image size or quality are changed, the frame counter will display the approximate number of images that can be recorded at that setting on the installed memory card. One memory card can contain images with differing sizes and qualities. The number of images that can be stored on a memory card is determined by the size of the card and

The Frame Counter and Memory Card Capacity

the file size of the images. The actual file size is determined by the scene; some subjects can be compressed further than others.

| Approximate file sizes. | | | | |
|--|----------|-------------|------------|-----------|
| Quality | Size | 1600 X 1200 | 1280 X 960 | 640 X 480 |
| | Fine | 990KB | 660KB | 210KB |
| | Standard | 520KB | 360KB | 130KB |
| | Economy | 290KB | 210KB | 90KB |
| Approximate number of images that can be stored on a 8 MB memory card. | | | | |
| Fine | 6 | 10 | 31 | |
| Standard | 12 | 18 | 48 | |
| Economy | 22 | 31 | 68 | |

Camera Notes

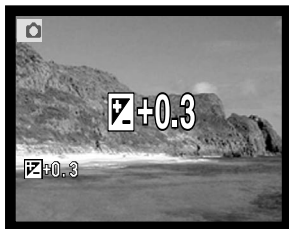
The frame counter indicates the approximate number of images that can be stored on the memory card at the camera's image quality and size settings. If the settings are changed, the frame counter adjusts accordingly. Because the counter uses approximate file sizes, the actual image taken may not change the counter or may decrease it by more than one. When the frame counter displays zero, it indicates no more images at the image size and quality settings can be captured. Changing those settings may allow more images to be saved to the card.

EXPOSURE COMPENSATION



The camera exposure can be adjusted to make the final picture lighter or darker by as much as $\pm 2\text{Ev}$ in $1/3$ increments with still image and movie recording. The exposure-compensation value will remain in effect until it has been reset. Exposure compensation can be set on the main menu of the recording-mode (p. 34). Exposure compensation can be controlled with left/right key with customizing key function (P.50).

The exposure compensation must be set before the image is captured. When setting the exposure compensation, the amount of compensation is shown next to the exposure-compensation icon on the monitor. When set to any value other than 0.0, the icon will remain on the LCD monitor as a warning.



Use the up/down controller keys to adjust the exposure-compensation value.

The LCD monitor will display the exposure-compensation icon and value. The change in exposure is visible in the monitor image. Exposure compensation is set automatically after five seconds or when another camera button is pressed.

TONING

Color and five tone settings are available with still image and movie recording. Toning controls whether an image is color or black and white as well as sepia color or red tone, blue tone, green tone. The toning can be set in the recording-mode main menu (p.34) or the in the movie recording main menu (p.60). The live image on the monitor will reflect the selected mode. This has no effect on the file size.

When auto reset (P.52) is active, the toning will be reset to color when the camera is turned off. The toning must be set before an image is captured. When setting the toning, an indicator will be displayed on the LCD monitor to indicate the active toning setting; the effect is immediately visible on the monitor.



Color - color

BW **Monochrome** - black & white monochrome image

SEPIA **Sepia** - worm tone monochrome image

MONO B **Red tone** - red monochrome image

MONO R **Blue tone** - blue monochrome image

MONO G **Green tone** - green monochrome image

PORTRAIT

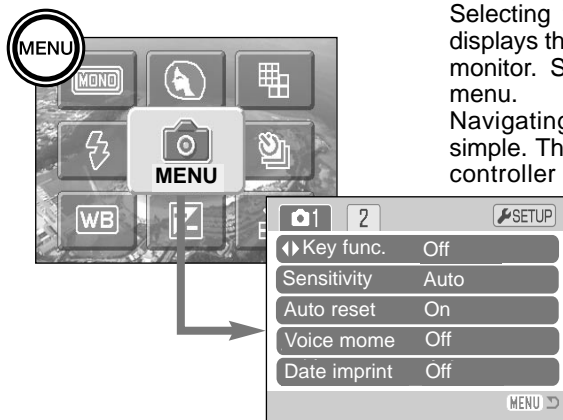
In portrait, digital effects such as full soft-filter or partial over-expose can be used on the subject to get more natural skin tones. By adjusting the tone curve, the true luminosity of objects in the vicinity of the skin can be restored. Fill flash is automatically set to get the effect of the catchlight in the eye. Change the flash mode to flash cancel if it is not necessary.

The indicator will be displayed on the LCD monitor to indicate the portrait mode is active. To cancel the portrait, select the portrait icon on the main menu again. Fill flash is also canceled automatically and reset to the previous setting.

When auto reset is active (p.52), the portrait will be reset to off when the camera is turned off.



NAVIGATING THE RECORDING-MODE MENU



Selecting the menu icon on the main menu displays the recording-mode menu on the LCD monitor. See page 34 to navigate the main menu.

Navigating the recording-mode menu is simple. The left/right and up/down keys of the controller move the cursor and change settings on the menu. Pressing the center button of the controller selects menu options and sets adjustments.



To activate the recording-mode main menu, press the menu button.



With the menu icon selected, press the center button of the controller to go into the recording-mode menu.



The tab 1 at the top of the menu will be highlighted. Use the left/right keys to highlight the appropriate menu tab; the menus will change as the tabs are highlighted.



When the desired menu section is displayed, use the up/down key to scroll through the menu options. Highlight the option whose settings need to be changed.



With the menu option to be changed highlighted, press the right key; the settings will be displayed with the current setting indicated by an arrow. To return to the menu options, press the left key.



Use the zoom lever to highlight the new setting.



Press the center button of the controller to select the highlighted setting.

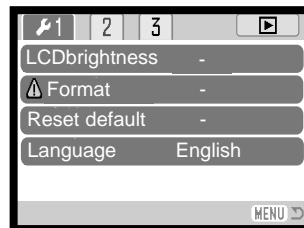
Once a setting has been selected, the cursor will return to the menu options and the new setting will be displayed. Changes can continue to be made. To return to the recording mode, press the menu button.

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|-----------------|---------------|
| 1 | |
| ◀▶ Key func. | Flash mode |
| | Exp. comp |
| | Drive mode |
| | White balance |
| | Off |
| Sensitivity | ISO 400 |
| | ISO 200 |
| | ISO 100 |
| | ISO 64 |
| | Auto |
| Auto reset | On |
| | Off |
| Voice memo | On |
| | Off |
| Date imprinting | YYYY/MM/DD |
| | MM/DD/hr:min |
| | Off |

| | |
|------------------|-----------|
| 2 | |
| Digital zoom | On |
| | Off |
| Instant playback | On |
| | Off |
| File # memory | On |
| | Off |
| Folder name | Std.form |
| | Date form |

SETUP

Pressing the center button of the controller with the SETUP section selected, leads to the setup menu (p.82).

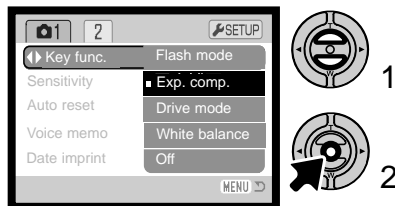


Refer to the following sections for details on the menu options and their settings.

CUSTOMIZING KEY FUNCTIONS

The left/right keys can be assigned for certain functions (flash mode, drive mode, white balance and exposure compensation) in the section 1 of the recording-mode menu. The default setting is off. All of these functions affect the movie-recording mode except for the drive mode and flash mode.

Select the key func. option in section 1 of the recording mode menu. Use the up/down keys to select the function (1). Press the central controller button to set the function (2). The selected function will now be activated when the left/right controller keys are pressed in the recording mode.



Refer to the following sections for information on the drive mode (p. 38), white balance (p. 43), flash mode (P.36), and exposure compensation (p. 45).

Pressing left/right key changes the settings and changes are displayed on the LCD monitor. Changes are set automatically after five seconds or when another camera button is pressed.



CAMERA SENSITIVITY - ISO

Four camera sensitivity settings can be selected with a still image: Auto, 64, 100, 200, 400; the numerical values are based on an ISO equivalent. ISO is the standard used to indicate film sensitivity: the higher the number, the more sensitive the film. Sensitivity can be changed in the section 1 of the recording-mode menu.

The auto setting automatically adjusts the camera sensitivity to the light conditions between ISO 64 and ISO 200. When any other setting than auto is used, “ISO” and the set value will appear on the LCD monitor.

A specific sensitivity setting can be selected. As the ISO value doubles, the camera sensitivity doubles. Like grain in silver-halide film that increases with speed, noise increases with the sensitivity in digital imaging; an ISO setting of 64 will have the least noise and 400 will have the most.



FLASH RANGE AND CAMERA SENSITIVITY

Because of the optical system, the flash range is not the same at the lens' wide-angle position as it is at the telephoto position.

| ISO setting | Flash range (wide angle) | Flash range (telephoto) |
|-------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| AUTO | 0.10m ~ 3.6m (0.3ft. ~ 11.8ft) | 0.10m ~ 2.7m (0.3ft. ~8.8ft) |
| 64 | 0.10m ~ 2.0m (0.3ft. ~ 6.6ft) | 0.10m ~ 1.5m (0.3ft. ~4.9ft) |
| 100 | 0.10m ~ 2.5m (0.3ft. ~8.2 ft) | 0.10m ~ 1.9m (0.3ft. ~6.2ft) |
| 200 | 0.10m ~ 3.6m (0.3ft. ~11.8 ft) | 0.10m ~ 2.7m (0.3ft. ~8.8ft) |
| 400 | 0.10m ~ 5.1m (0.3ft. ~16.7 ft) | 0.10m ~ 3.8m (0.3ft. ~12.5ft) |

AUTO RESET

When auto reset is active, the following functions return to their program setting when the camera is turned off. Auto reset is initially on. This function can be turned off in the section 1 of the recording-mode menu (p. 48).

Flash mode (p. 36) – Auto

Drive mode (p. 38) – Single-frame advance

White balance (p. 42) – Auto

Camera sensitivity (p. 51) – Auto

Exposure compensation (p. 45) – 0.0 Ev

LCD monitor display (p. 29) – Full

Toning (p. 46) – Color

Portrait (p. 47) – Off

The flash mode is reset to autoflash with red eye reduction if autoflash with red eye reduction was last set, if not the mode will be reset to autoflash. See page 36 for information on flash modes.

Camera Notes

The camera will reset if the battery is removed for an extended period. An internal battery protects the clock, calendar, and camera settings for more than 24 hours if the camera is used for at least 5 minutes before the battery is removed.

VOICE MEMO

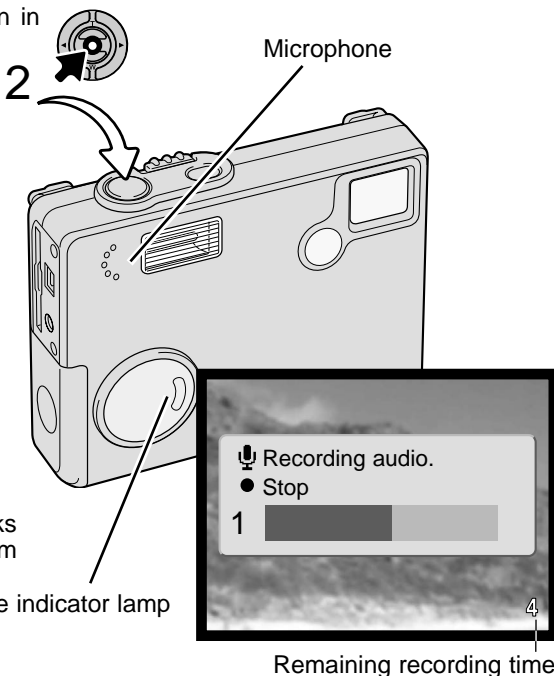


Voice memo allows an audio track up to fifteen second to be recorded with a still image. The function is activated in the section 1 of the recording-mode menu (p. 53). When the function is active, the microphone indicator is displayed on the LCD monitor. The voice memo must be set

before taking a picture. It will remain in effect until reset.

After an image is captured, a screen will appear indicating the audio recording has started. A bar graph (1) will display the amount of recording time remaining. During the recording, the indicator lamp glows. To stop the recording, press the shutter-release button or the center button of the controller (2). The recording will automatically stop when the fifteen-second limit has elapsed.

Voice memo is attached to the last image of a continuous-advance series (p. 40). When played back, images with voice-memo audio tracks have a note icon displayed with them (p. 62).

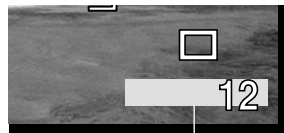


Camera Notes

When making audio recordings, be careful not to touch or cover the microphone. The quality of the recording is proportional to the subject to microphone distance. For best results, hold the camera approximately 20cm (8in) from your mouth.

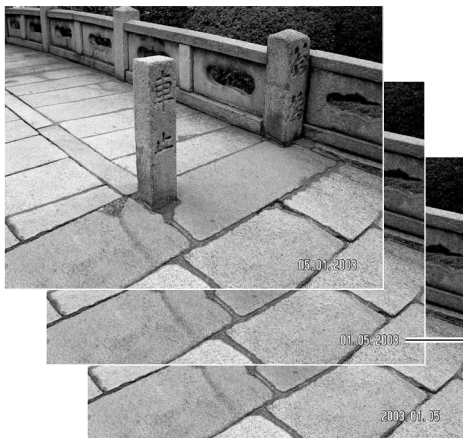
DATE IMPRINTING

The date and time of recording can be printed directly on the image. The imprinting function must be activated before the image is taken. Once activated, the date will continue to be imprinted until the function is reset; a yellow bar is displayed behind the frame counter on the monitor to indicate the imprinting function is active.

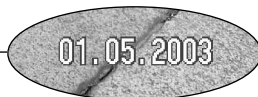


Date-imprinting indicator

Date imprinting is activated with the section 1 of the recording-mode menu (p. 48). Date imprinting has two menu options. The YYYY/MM/DD option prints the date. The MM/DD/hr:min option prints the month, day, and time of recording.



The date and time are imprinted in the lower right corner of the image when viewed horizontally. It is printed directly on the photograph writing over the image information. The date can be imprinted in three formats: year / month / day, month / day / year, and day / month / year. The date and date format are set in section 3 of the setup menu (p. 88).

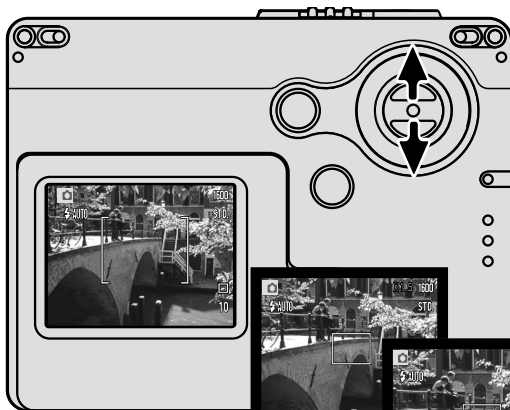


Camera Notes

Every time a still image is recorded, it is stored with an exif tag that contains the date and time of recording as well as shooting information. This information can be viewed with the camera in the playback mode, or on a computer with the DiIMAGE Viewer software.

DIGITAL ZOOM

The digital zoom is activated in the section 2 of the recording-mode menu (p. 48). The digital zoom increases the magnification of the greatest telephoto setting of the optical zoom by up to 4X in 0.1X increments. Although the images recorded with the digital zoom are interpolated to the set image size, the quality of the images may not be equal to images taken without the digital zoom; the greater the power of the digital zoom the lower the image quality.



At the maximum telephoto position, press the up key of the controller to engage the digital zoom. The zoom magnification will be displayed in the top right corner of the monitor.

To zoom out, press the down key of the controller.

When the digital zoom is active, the focus frame changes size.

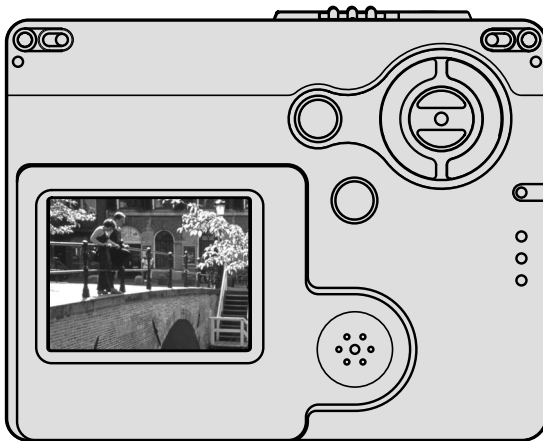
Magnification



INSTANT PLAYBACK

After a still image is captured, it can be displayed on the monitor for two seconds before being saved. Instant playback shows the last frame in the series when used with the continuous-advance drive mode (p. 56).

Instant playback can be activated in the section 2 of the recording-mode menu (p. 48). When used with voice memo, the audio recording will begin after the image is played back.



Camera notes

Images can be previewed immediately after they have been captured regardless if instant playback is active or not. Simply continue to hold down the shutter-release button after taking the picture to display the image on the monitor. Release the shutter button to end the playback. This function is disabled if the continuous advance or the self-timer drive mode is used.

FILE NUMBER (#) MEMORY

If file number memory is selected, when a new folder is created, the first file stored in the folder will have a number one greater than the last file saved. If the file number memory is disabled, the image file number will be 0001. File number memory is activated in the section 2 of the recording-mode menu (p.48).

If file number memory is active and the memory card is changed, the first file saved to the new card will have a number one greater than the last file saved on the previous card if the new card does not contain an image with a greater file number. If it does, the file number of the new image will be one greater than the greatest on the card.

FOLDER NAME

All recorded images are stored in folders on the memory card. Folder names come in two formats, standard and date.

Standard folders have an eight character name. The initial folder is named 100MLT19. The first three digits are the folder's serial number, which will increase by one each time a new folder is created. The next three letters refer to Minolta, and the last two numbers indicate the camera used; 19 indicates a DiIMAGE X20.

A date folder name also starts with the three digit serial number and is followed by one register for the year, two register for the month, and two registers for the day: 101YMMDD. The folder 10130915 was created in 2003 on September 15th.



100MLT19
(Standard)



10130915
(Date)

With the date folder format selected, when an image is recorded a new folder with the day's date will be created. All images recorded that day will be placed in that folder. Images recorded on a different day will be placed in a new folder with the corresponding date. If the file number memory function is off, when a new folder is created, the serial number in the image-file name is reset to 0001. If file number memory function is on, the serial number in the image-file will be one greater than the last image saved. For more information on folder organization and file names, see page 96.

RECORDING WITHOUT A MEMORY CARD

If no memory card is installed in the camera, a single still image can be recorded and saved in the camera's buffer memory. Only the last image captured is stored; each time an image is captured, it replaces the image data saved in the buffer. If the camera is turned off, the image data is deleted from the buffer memory. Playback mode can be used to view the image. Voice memo cannot be used.

Minolta history

In the center of the Sakai plant in Japan is Okina bridge. In the 15th century, Sakai was a very prosperous free city, and Okina bridge spanned the moat at one of the entrances into the walled town. For centuries, this bridge carried pilgrims on their way to two of Japan's sacred places: the mountain monastery of Koyasan and the great Shinto shrine, Kumano Taisha.

The bridge in the courtyard dates from 1855. In 1968, Minolta offered to remove and preserve the bridge when the city government announced they would fill in the moat for a planned highway. The bridge now spans a specially constructed goldfish pond. The writing on the stone bollard at the front of the bridge prohibits vehicles from crossing.

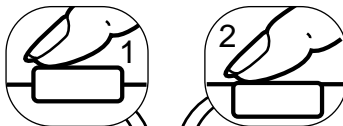


MOVIE RECORDING

This camera can record digital video with sound. Total recording time varies with the image size and the memory card capacity, see the main menu navigating of movie - recording on page 60. In movie recording, some functions can be used, some are fixed, and some are disabled, see the notes section on page 61.



Slide the recording mode switch to the movie recording position.

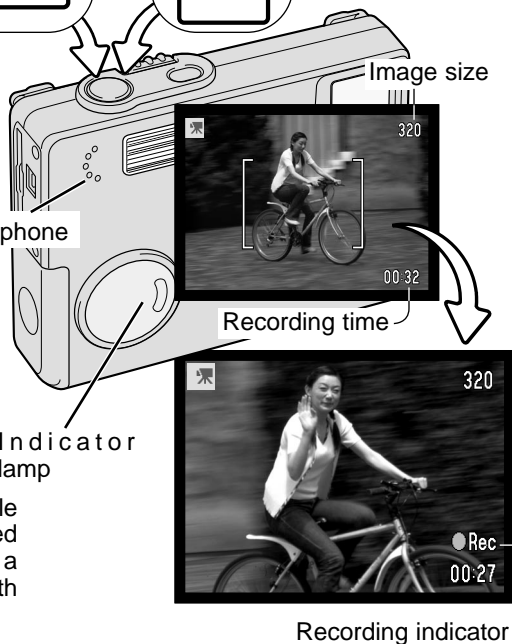


Place the subject in the focus frames and press the shutter-release button partway down to lock focus (1). Press the shutter-release button all the way down and release to begin recording (2).

The camera will continue to record until the recording time is used or the shutter-release button is pressed again.

When recording, the frame counter will display the elapsed time. During the last ten seconds, the counter will turn red and count down the time. The indicator lamp glows during the recording.

Take care not to cover the microphone while recording. During recording, focus is locked and the optical zoom is disabled. However, a stepless 4X digital zoom can be adjusted with the up/down controller key.



MAIN MENU NAVIGATION - MOVIE-MODE

With movie-mode activated, the menu button shows the movie-mode main menu. The following four options are available.

- 1.image size (320X240 / 160X120)
- 2.exposure compensation
- 3.white balance
- 4.toning

Selecting the setup icon located in the center of the main menu leads to setup menu.

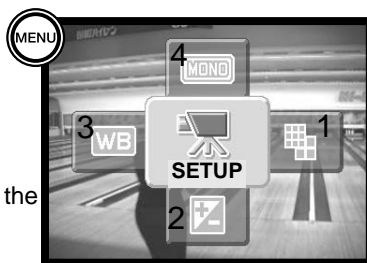


Image size has two settings, 320X240 and 160X120. Image size not only affects the resolution of the movie image, but also changes the maximum length of the movie clip. The recording rate for a 320 X 240 size movie is approximately 340 KB/sec, and approximately 85 KB/sec for a 160 X 120 movie. Recording time is only limited by the capacity of the memory card. A 8 MB memory card can contain approximately 19 seconds of digital video recorded at 320 X 240 or 74 seconds at 160 X 120.

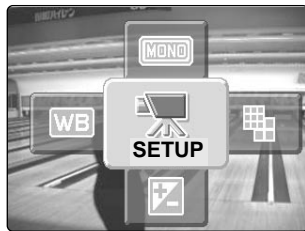
For more on white balance, see page 42. For more on the toning, see page 46. For more on exposure compensation, see page 45. Any changes to these three options will also affect the recording mode.



To activate the movie-mode main menu, press the menu button.



Use the controller to highlight the desired menu options.



Press the center button to go into the selected options.



Press the up and down keys until the desired setting is selected.



Press the central button of the controller to adjust the selected setting to the option.



Selecting the SETUP icon while in the main menu leads to setup menu, see page 82.

NOTES ON MOVIE RECORDING

In movie recording, some functions can be used, some are fixed, and some are disabled. Image size, white balance, and toning can be selected with the movie menu. Exposure can be adjusted with exposure compensation (p. 45). The optical and digital zoom are active. Pressing and holding the center button of the controller switches between the full display and the live image only. The flash is disabled. Camera sensitivity is set to auto.

The writing speed of the memory card in use may prevent an entire movie clip from being recorded.

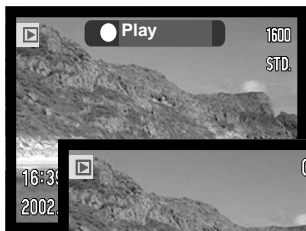
PLAYBACK - ADVANCED OPERATION

The basic functions in this mode are described in the basic playback section on pages 30 through 33. This section covers how to playback movie clips and audio tracks as well as the advanced function on the playback menu.

PLAYING BACK VOICE MEMOS AND AUDIO CAPTIONS



Voice memos (p. 53) and audio captions (p. 71) can be played back in the playback mode. When one of these audio tracks is attached to a still image, the audio-track indicator will be displayed at the bottom of the monitor.



Press the central button of the controller to start the audio playback.

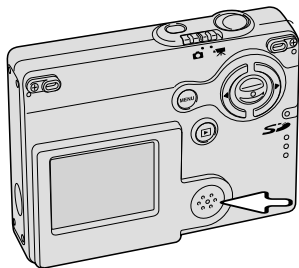
Playback time is displayed on a bar at the top of the image. The display will return to the playback mode when the audio track finishes.



During playback, the up/down keys of the controller adjust the volume.



Press the menu button to cancel the playback.



Speaker

PLAYING BACK MOVIES

Movie clips are played back the same way. Use the left/right keys of the controller to display the movie.



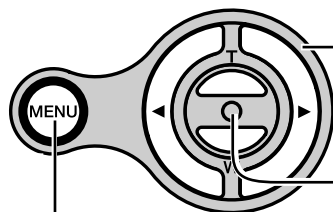
Press the center of the controller to play back a movie.



Movie file



Press the controller to pause the movie ; press the controller again to resume the playback.

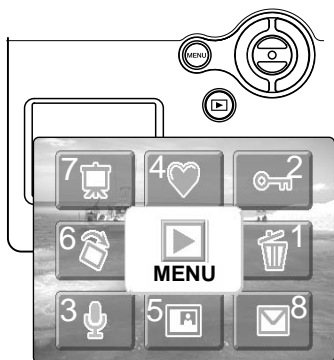


During playback, the up/down keys adjust the volume and the left/right keys rewind and fast forward the recording.

Press and hold the center button to view the movie with or without the guidance bar.

To cancel the playback, press the menu button.

MAIN MENU NAVIGATION - PLAYBACK-MODE



With playback-mode activated, pressing the menu button displays the playback-mode main menu, on which the menu options can be set for a image currently displayed on the LCD monitor or for starting operations. The following eight options are available.

- 1.delete - delete an image displayed (p.69)
- 2.lock - lock an image displayed (p.70)
- 3.audio caption - attach an audio caption to a image (p.71)
- 4.favorites - go into the favorites folder to view the favorites (p.72)
- 5.image pasting - paste to an image displayed (p.74)
- 6.rotate - rotate an image displayed (p.74)
- 7.slide show - start a slide show (p.76)
- 8.E-mail copy - copy an image displayed to resize for e-mail (p.80)

Selecting the menu icon on the main menu leads to the playback-mode menu, on which menu options for multiple files and detail settings are available, see next page.



To activate the main playback-mode menu, press the menu button.



Use the controller to highlight the desired menu options.



Press the central button to start an operation.

Refer to the following sections for details on the menu options and their settings. See the each section's page for information after starting an operation.

NAVIGATING THE PLAYBACK-MODE MENU



Selecting the menu icon on the main menu leads to the playback-mode menu, on which menu options for multiple files and detailed settings are available. See next page for options in playback mode. Navigating the menu is simple. The left/right and up/down keys of the controller control the cursor and change settings on the menu. Pressing the center button of the controller selects menu options and sets adjustments.



To activate the main menu of the playback mode, press the menu button.



With the menu icon selected, press the center button of the controller and the menu will appear on the LCD monitor.



The first tab at the top of the menu will be highlighted. Use the left/right keys to highlight the appropriate menu tab; the menus will change as the tabs are highlighted.



When the desired menu section is displayed, use the up/down key to scroll through the menu options. Highlight the option whose settings need to be changed.



With the menu option to be changed highlighted, press the right key; the settings will be displayed with the current setting indicated by an arrow. To return to the menu options, press the left key.



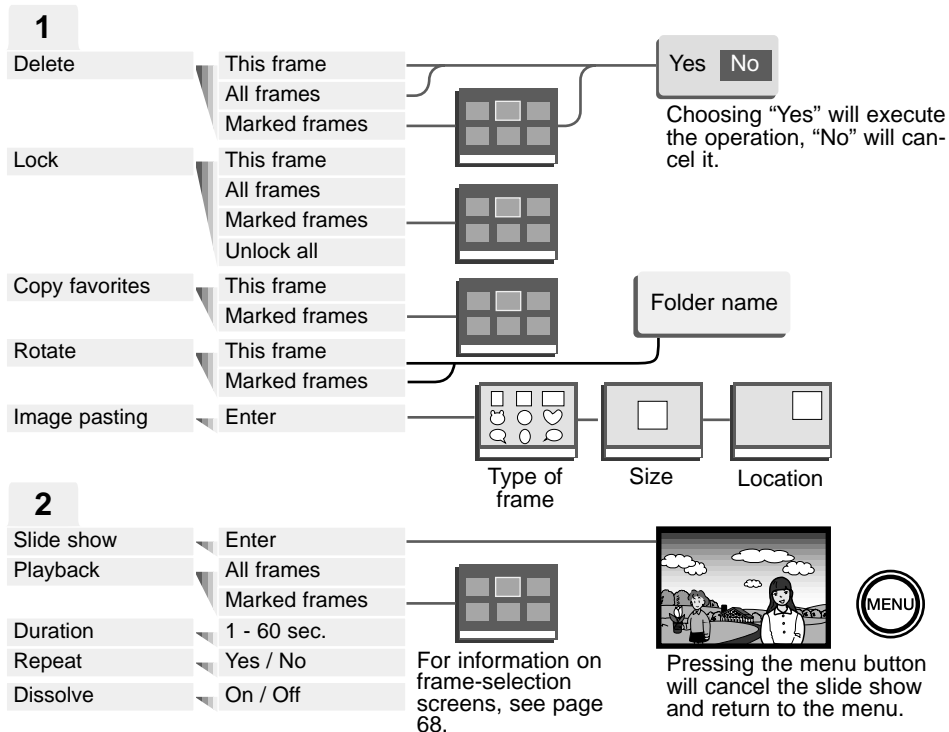
Use the zoom lever to highlight the new setting. If “Enter” is displayed, press the center button to display the setting screen.



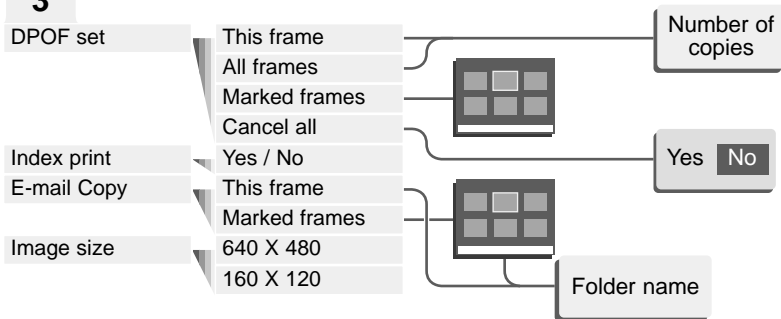
Press the center button of the controller to select the highlighted setting.

Once a setting has been selected, the cursor will return to the menu options and the new setting will be displayed. Changes can continue to be made. To return to the playback-mode, press the menu button.

Menu Options in the Playback Mode

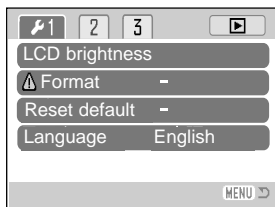


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Refer to the following sections for details on the menu options and their settings.

SETUP



Pressing the central button with the setup section selected, leads to setup menu (p.82).

FRAME-SELECTION SCREEN

When a marked-frames setting is chosen on the menu, the frame selection screen will appear. This screen allows multiple image and audio files to be chosen.



The left/right keys of the controller move the yellow border to select the image.



The up key of the controller selects the frame; when selected, an indicator will appear next to the image. The down key will deselect the image removing the indicator. When an image needs to be rotated, the up/down keys will control rotation.



The menu button cancels the screen and any operation made.



The garbage-can icon indicates the image is selected for deletion.



The key icon indicates the image is locked or selected to be locked.



The printer icon indicates the image is selected for DPOF printing. The number of copies is shown on the right.



The check icon indicates the image is selected for the slide show or to be copied.



Press the central button of the controller to complete the operation.

Indicators may be displayed on the right of each index image to indicate movie, audio, and E-mail copy files.



Movie file



E-mail copy file



Audio file

DELETING IMAGE AND AUDIO FILES



Deleting permanently erases the file. Once deleted, a file cannot be recovered. Care should be taken when deleting images.



Delete

In the main menu (p.64), selecting the delete icon and pressing the center button of the controller erases a single image currently displayed on the LCD monitor. Before a file is deleted, a confirmation screen will appear; choosing “Yes” will execute the operation, “No” will cancel the operation.

Multiple files, all files or single frames on the memory card can be deleted in the section 1 of the playback menu (p.65). Before a file is deleted, a confirmation screen will appear; choosing “Yes” will execute the operation, “No” will cancel the operation. The delete option of the playback mode menu has three settings:

| | |
|----------------------|---|
| This frame | The file displayed or highlighted in playback mode will be deleted. |
| All frames | All unlocked files will be deleted. |
| Marked frames | To delete multiple files. When this setting is chosen, the frame-selection screen will be displayed. Use the left/right keys of the controller to highlight the first file to be deleted. Pressing the up key will mark the thumbnail with the garbage-can icon. To deselect a file for deletion, highlight it with the yellow border and press the down key; the garbage-can icon will disappear. Continue until all the files to be deleted are marked. Press the central button of the controller to continue (the confirmation screen will appear), or press the menu button to cancel the operation and return to the playback menu. On the confirmation screen, highlighting and entering “Yes” will delete the marked files. |

The delete function will only erase unlocked files. Locked files must be unlocked before they can be deleted.

LOCKING IMAGE AND AUDIO FILES



On the main menu (p.64), selecting the lock icon and pressing the central button of the controller, lock a single image currently displayed on the LCD monitor. Locked file can be unlocked by the same operation.

In the section 1 of the playback mode menu (p.65), multiple or all files as well as single frame can be locked. The lock option has four settings:

| | |
|----------------------|---|
| This frame | The file displayed or highlighted in playback mode will be locked. |
| All frames | All files on the memory card will be locked. |
| Marked frames | To lock or unlock multiple files. When this setting is chosen, the frame-selection screen will be displayed. Use the left/right keys of the controller to highlight the file to be locked. Pressing the up key will mark the file with the key icon. To unlock a file, highlight it with the yellow border and press the down key; the key icon will disappear. Continue until all the files to be locked are marked. Press the central button of the controller to lock the marked thumbnails, or press the menu button to cancel the operation and return to the playback menu. |
| Unlock all | All files on the memory card will be unlocked. |

A locked file cannot be deleted by the playback-mode menu. However, the formatting function (p. 84) will erase all files on a memory card whether locked or not. Important images should be locked.

AUDIO CAPTION

A still image can have a fifteen-second audio caption attached to it. This function will also replace a voice-memo audio track recorded with an image. Audio captions cannot be attached to movie clips.



Display the image to which the audio caption will be attached. If the image is locked, unlock it using the main menu (p.64) or the menu of the playback mode (p. 65).



On the main menu, select the icon of audio caption.

Press the central button of the controller (1) to go into audio caption. If an audio track is already attached to the image, a confirmation screen will appear. Choosing and entering “Yes” will start the audio caption recording, replacing the previous audio track. “No” will cancel the audio-caption operation.

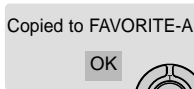


Press the shutter-release button to start the recording (2). A status bar and the frame counter displays the remaining recording time. During the recording, the indicator lamp glows. The audio caption can be stopped during the fifteen-second recording period by pressing the shutter-release button.

COPY TO FAVORITE

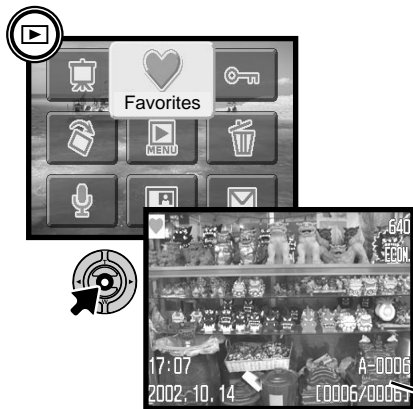
Copying to favorite saves a copy of a still image to the “FAVORITE” folder and is used to save favorite images or prevent images from being unintentionally played back on this camera. Regardless of the original image format, an economy 640 X 480 (VGA) JPEG copy is made. A folder named “FAVORITE” is created, separated from the original folder. Images with voice memos or audio captions are copied with their audio files. Movie clips cannot be copied. Copies of locked images are unlocked. DPOF information is not copied. The amount of data that can be converted into favorites depends on the free space remaining on the memory card and the image size copy. Copy to favorite can be selected in the section 1 of the playback-mode menu (p.65). Copy to favorite has two menu options.

| | |
|----------------------|--|
| This frame | To copy the file displayed or highlighted in playback mode. |
| Marked frames | To copy single or multiple files. When selected, the frame-selection screen will appear; highlight the file to be copied with the yellow border and then press the up key of the controller to mark it with the check icon. To deselect a file to be copied, highlight the selected thumbnail and press the down key; the check icon will disappear. Continue until all the files to be copied are marked. Press the central button of the controller to continue, or press the menu button to cancel the operation and return to the playback menu. |



When the image(s) to be converted to a favorite file are selected, the copy routine will begin and a screen will appear to indicate the name of the folder containing the copied images; press the central button of the controller to return to the menu. The same folder is used to store favorite copies until the number of images exceeds 9,999.

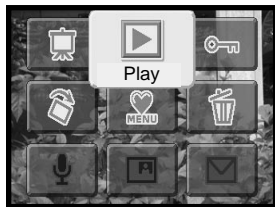
Viewing Favorites Copies



Favorites copies can not be viewed without activating the Favorites on the main menu. To activate the Favorites on the main menu, press and hold the playback button for a few seconds. Select the Favorite icon on the main menu with the controller and press the center button. The latest favorite copy is displayed on the LCD monitor with favorite mode indicator. No - image - message appears on the monitor, when any images are not copied to the FAVORITE folder. To keep pressing the playback button turns the camera on with the Favorite on the main menu activated.

FAVORITE folder name -
file number in the FAVORITE folder

While viewing favorites copies, audio caption, image pasting, e-mail copy, DPOF and copy to favorite options are disabled. USB DIRECT-PRINT cannot be used.



To go back to normal playback, select the Play on the main menu. Turning the camera off also cancels the favorite mode.

Formatting (p.84) in the playback menu erases favorites copies, but deleting (p.69) all the frames in the playback menu does not erase favorites copies.

ROTATE

Rotate display orients a vertical image so that it can be viewed without having to turn the camera sideways. This function affects the image currently displayed when selection is made on the main menu (p.64). This can affect multiple frames as well as single frame when changing settings in the section 1 of playback-mode menu (p.65). After executing this operation, use the up key to turn image(s) clockwise and down key to turn image(s) counter-clockwise. Press the central button to change the settings.

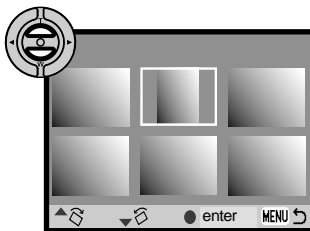
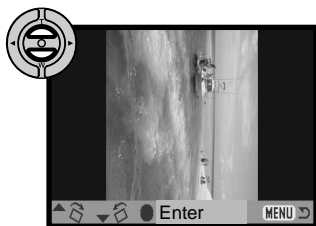
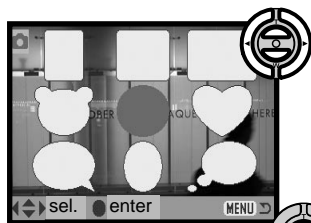


IMAGE PASTING

Image pasting makes a still image composite by pasting a cropped image into other images. The cropped image has the same image size and the quality as the pasted image.



Selecting the option of image pasteing in section 1 of the playback menu offers the choice of frame type and size as well as where to put a cropped image. Display the image to-be-pasted on the LCD monitor. Select image pasting in the playback menu and press the center button to start the pasting process.



Nine frame choices are shown on the LCD monitor. Select the frame with the controller. Press the center button to set the frame.

After choosing the frame, changing the size of frame from three possible levels using up and down keys. Press the center button to set the size.

After choosing the frame size, choose the pasted location by moving the frame with left/right or up/down keys. Press the center button to set the location.

Pressing the menu button cancels pasting operation and goes back to playback mode. The camera memorizes settings which have been already made.



After the detail settings are chosen, compose the subject inside the frame and press the shutter-release button partway down to lock the focus. Previous settings in the recording mode are used to capture the image and the optical zoom can be changed with up/down keys. Press the shutter-release button all the way down to take the picture and complete the pasting.



Selecting the image paste icon on the main menu (p.64) starts the composite operation against an image currently played back. After pressing the central button to execute pasting, the same frame with the same condition selected in the playback menu appears. At this point, jumping to the frame selection in the playback menu is possible by pressing the center button for a few seconds. Compose the subject inside the frame and press the shutter release button partway down to lock the focus. Press the shutter-release button all the way down to take the picture and complete the pasting.

SLIDE SHOW

On the main menu (p.64), selecting the icon of the slide-show and pressing the central button of the controller, starts the slide show from an image currently displayed. This function automatically displays all images on the memory card in order.

The section 2 of the playback-mode menu (p.65) controls the slide-show function in more detail. Except for the playback option, settings made in section 2 of the menu affect the slide show function in the main menu. To start a slide show for favorites copies, a favorite file must be displayed on the LCD monitor in advance.



Press the central button of the controller to pause and restart the slide show presentation.



To cancel the presentation, press the menu button.



With a still image (or a paused movie clip), pressing the right/left key scrolls an image.

With a movie clip played back, the right key forwards a clip and left key rewinds a clip.



With a movie clip or an audio file played back, up and down keys control the volume.

Camera Notes



The presentation can be viewed without image information. Before opening the playback menu, press the center button of the controller for a few seconds to turn off the information display.

| Menu options | Settings | |
|--------------|---------------|--|
| Slide show | Enter | To start the slide-show presentation. Pressing the central button of the controller will pause the presentation. During the slide show, press the menu button to stop the presentation and return to the playback-mode menu. |
| Playback | All frames | To select all the images on the memory card to be displayed in the slide-show presentation. |
| | Marked Frames | To select specific images to be displayed in the slide-show presentation. When this setting is chosen, the frame-selection screen will be displayed. Use the left/right keys of the controller to highlight the image to be included in the presentation. Pressing the up key will mark the image with a check icon. To deselect a marked image, highlight it with the yellow border and press the down key; the check icon will disappear. Continue until all the images have been edited. Press the controller to set the marked frames, or press the menu button to cancel the operation and return to the playback menu. |
| Duration | 1 - 60s. | To select the period each image will be displayed during the slide show. |
| Repeat | Yes / No | Selecting "Yes" will cause the slide show to repeat until it is canceled using the down key of the controller. "No" will end the slide show presentation and return to the playback-mode menu when all the images have been displayed once. |
| Dissolve | On/Off | Selecting "On" will make the slide show use the dissolving effect. The effect is automatically selected from ten variations at random. |

ABOUT DPOF

This camera is supported by DPOF™ version 1.1. The DPOF (Digital Print Order Format) allows direct printing of still images from digital cameras. After the DPOF file is created, the memory card is simply taken to a photofinishing service or inserted into the memory-card slot of DPOF compatible printers. When a DPOF file is created, a misc. folder is automatically created on the memory card to store it (p. 96).

CREATING A DPOF PRINT ORDER

The DPOF-set menu option is used to create an order for standard prints from still images on the memory card. Single, multiple, or all images can be printed. Print orders are created in the section 3 of the playback-mode menu (p. 65). The print menu option has four settings:

| | |
|----------------------|---|
| This frame | To create a DPOF file for the displayed or highlighted image. |
| All frames | To create a DPOF file for all images on the memory card. |
| Marked frames | To chose a group of images to be printed or when the number of copies of each image varies. When selected, the frame selection screen will appear. Use the left/right keys of the controller to highlight an image to be printed. Pressing the up key will mark the image with the printer icon. The number next to the icon indicates the number of copies that will be printed. Pressing the up key will increase the number of copies, pressing the down key will decrease the number. A maximum of nine copies can be ordered. To deselect an image for printing, press the down key until the number of copies reaches zero and the printer icon disappears. Continue until all the images to be printed are marked. Press the central button of the controller to create the DPOF file, or press the menu button to cancel the operation and return to the playback menu. |
| Cancel all | To delete the DPOF file. |

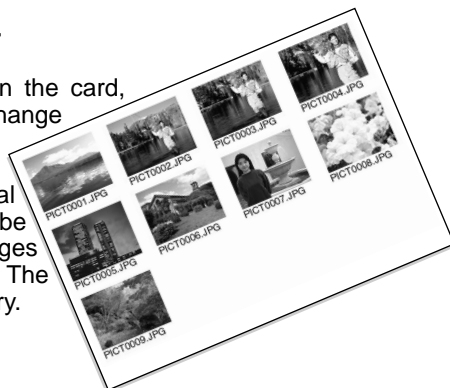
When the this-frame or all-frames setting is chosen, a screen will appear requesting the number of copies of each image; a maximum of nine copies can be ordered. Use the up/down keys of the controller to set the required number of copies. If the all-frames setting was used to create a print order, any additional images recorded afterwards will not be included in the order.

DPOF files created with another camera will be canceled. After the pictures have been printed, the DPOF file will still remain on the memory card and must be canceled manually.

ORDERING AN INDEX PRINT

To create an index print of all the images on the card, select “Yes.” To cancel an index print, simply change the setting to “No.”

If an index-print order is created, any additional images saved afterwards on the card will not be included in the index print. The number of images printed per sheet differs between printers. The information printed with the thumbnails can vary.



Camera Notes

DPOF files and images can be printed directly from the camera, see page 100.

E-MAIL COPY

E-mail Copy makes a economy 640 X 480 (VGA) or 160 X 120 (QVGA) JPEG copy of an original still image so that it may be easily transmitted by e-mail. E-mail copies are saved to the original card. The copy function is selected in the section 3 of the playback-mode menu (p. 65).

When the copy function is used, a folder is created for the files (p. 96); copy folder name ends in EM. Images with voice memos are copied with their audio files. Copies of locked images are unlocked. DPOF information is not copied.

The amount of data can be converted into E-mail copies depends on the free space remaining on the memory card and the image size of the copy. The E-mail copy function has two menu options:

| | |
|----------------------|--|
| This frame | To copy the file displayed or highlighted in playback mode. |
| Marked frames | To copy single or multiple files. When selected, the frame-selection screen will appear; highlight the file to be copied with the yellow border and then press the up key of the controller to mark it with the check icon. To deselect a file to be copied, highlight the selected thumbnail and press the down key; the check icon will disappear. Continue until all the files to be copied are marked. Press the central button of the controller to continue, or press the menu button to cancel the operation and return to the playback menu. |

Before starting the E-mail copy routine, select the image size of the copy in the section 3 of the playback-mode menu (p. 65). Two sizes are available: 640 X 480 (VGA) or 160 X 120 (QVGA).

Copied to 101MLTEM

OK



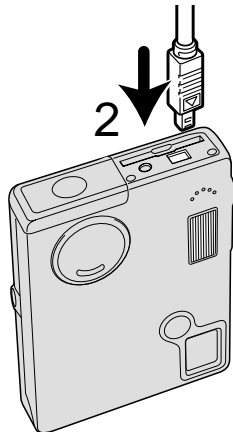
When the image(s) to be converted to an e-mail file are selected, the copy routine will begin and a screen will appear indicating the name of the folder containing the copied images; press the central button of the controller to return to the menu. The same folder is used to store e-mail copies until the number of images exceed 9,999.

Camera Notes

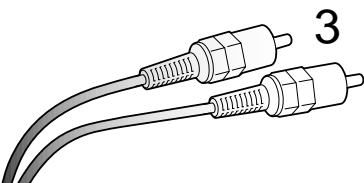
The copy-unsuccessful message will appear when one or all of the images could not be copied. Check the memory card to see which files were copied and then repeat the procedure for the uncopied images.

VIEWING IMAGES ON A TELEVISION

It is possible to view camera images on your television. The camera has a video-out terminal to make the connection using the supplied AV cable. The camera is compatible with the NTSC and PAL standards. The video-output setting can be checked and set in the section 3 of the setup menu (p. 88).



1. Turn off the television and the camera.
2. Slide the AV-out terminal / USB-port cover open. Insert the small plug of the AV cable into the camera.
3. Plug the other end of the AV cable into the video and audio input terminals on the television. The yellow plug is for the video output. The white plug is for the monaural audio output.



4. Turn the television on.
5. Change the television to the video channel.
6. Press the playback button to display images. The camera's monitors will not activate when the camera is attached to a television. The playback-mode display will be visible on the television screen.
7. View images as described in the playback section.

SETUP MENU - NAVIGATING THE SETUP MENU



Setup menu is activated from all of the modes; recording mode, movie mode and playback mode. In recording mode and playback mode, go to the menu and select the setup icon located on the top-right corner and the setup menu will appear. In movie mode, selecting the setup icon on the main menu will display the setup menu.

Navigating the menu is simple. The left/right and up/down keys of the controller control the cursor and change settings on the menu. Pressing the center button of the controller selects menu options and sets adjustments.



The tab of the section 1 at the top of the menu will be highlighted. Use the left/right keys to highlight the appropriate menu tab; the menus will change as the tabs are highlighted.



When the desired menu section is displayed, use the up/down key to scroll through the menu options. Highlight the option whose setting needs to be changed.



With the menu option to be changed highlighted, press the right key; the settings will be displayed with the current setting indicated by an arrow. To return to the menu options, press the left key.



Use the zoom lever to highlight the new setting. If “Enter” is displayed, press the center button of the controller to continue.



Press the center button of the controller to select the highlighted setting.

Once a setting has been selected, the cursor will return to the menu options and the new setting will be displayed. Changes can continue to be made. To return to the recording mode, press the menu button.

1

| | |
|----------------|----------|
| LCD brightness | Enter |
| Format | Enter |
| Reset default | Enter |
| Language | Japanese |
| | English |
| | Deutsch |
| | Français |
| | Español |

Yes No

Choosing “Yes” on the confirmation screens will execute the operation, “No” will cancel it.



Use the left/right keys to adjust the monitor brightness. Press the central button to set the level.

2

| | |
|---------------|----------------------|
| Audio signals | 1 |
| | 2 |
| | Off |
| Shutter FX | 1 |
| | 2 |
| | Off |
| Volume | 1 (Low) - 3 (High) |
| Power off | 1, 3, 5, 10, 30 min. |

Refer to the following sections for descriptions of the menu options and their settings.

3

| | |
|---------------|---------------|
| Date/Time set | Enter |
| Date format | YYYY/MM/DD |
| | MM/DD/YYYY |
| | DD/MM/YYYY |
| Video output | NTSC |
| | PAL |
| Transfer mode | Data storage |
| | Remote camera |

Date/Time set

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00 : 00

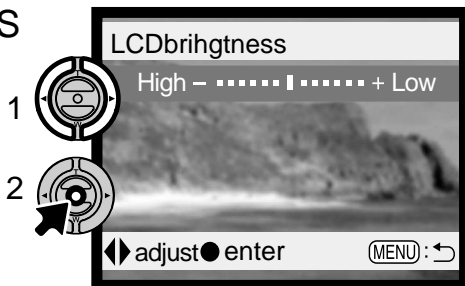
●:enter

On the date/time setting screen, use the left/right keys of the controller to select the year, month, day, hour, or minute. The up/down keys are used to change the value. Press the central button of the controller to set the calendar and clock.

Selecting recording, movie or playback section located on the top-right corner in the setup menu and pressing the center button, goes back to each mode.

LCD MONITOR BRIGHTNESS

The brightness of the LCD monitor can be set in eleven levels. The brightness setting screen is opened from the section 1 of the setup menu (p. 82). Use the left/right keys of the controller (1) to adjust the brightness, the monitor image will change accordingly. Press the central button of the controller (2) to set the brightness level.



FORMATTING MEMORY CARDS



When a memory card is formatted, all data on the card is erased.

The formatting function is used to erase all data on a memory card. Before formatting a memory card, copy the data to a computer or storage device. Locking images will not protect them from being deleted when the card is formatted. Always format the memory card using the camera; never use a computer to format a card.

When the format option is selected and entered in the section 1 of the setup menu (p. 82)., a confirmation screen will appear. Choosing “Yes” will format the card, choosing “No” will cancel the formatting operation. A screen will appear to indicate the card has been formatted.

If the unable-to-use-card message appears, the inserted card in the camera may need to be formatted. A memory card used in another camera may also have to be formatted before being used.

RESET DEFAULT

This function affects all modes. When selected, a confirmation screen will appear; choosing “Yes” resets the following functions and settings, “No” cancels the operation. Reset default can be set in the section 2 of the setup menu (p. 74)

| | | |
|--------------------------|----------------------|-------|
| Digital zoom | Off | p. 55 |
| Drive mode | Single-frame advance | p. 38 |
| Flash mode | Autoflash | p. 36 |
| Image quality | Standard | p. 43 |
| Image size (still) | 1600 X 1200 | p. 43 |
| Image size (movie) | 320 X 240 | p. 60 |
| Exposure compensation | 0.0 | p. 45 |
| Camera sensitivity (ISO) | Auto | p. 51 |
| White balance | Auto | p. 42 |
| Portrait | Off | p. 47 |
| Voice memo | Off | p. 53 |
| Date imprinting | Off | p. 54 |
| Instant playback | Off | p. 56 |
| Toning | Color | p. 46 |
| Auto reset | On | p. 52 |
| Custom key function | Off | p. 50 |

| | | |
|--------------------------|--------------|-------|
| Duration (Slide Show) | 5 seconds | p. 76 |
| Repeat (Slide Show) | No | p. 76 |
| Dissolve (Slide Show) | Off | p. 76 |
| Image Pasting (Frame) | Round | p. 74 |
| Image Pasting (size) | Middle | p. 74 |
| Image Pasting (location) | Center | p. 74 |
| Image size (E-mail copy) | 640 X 480 | p. 80 |
| LCD monitor brightness | Normal | p. 84 |
| Auto-power-off period | 3 minutes | p. 84 |
| File number memory | Off | p. 57 |
| Folder name | Standard | p. 57 |
| Audio signals | 1 | p. 86 |
| Shutter FX | 1 | p. 87 |
| Volume | 2 | p. 87 |
| Transfer mode | Data storage | p. 88 |

LANGUAGE

The language used in the menus can be changed. The language is selected in the section 1 of the setup menu (p. 82).

AUDIO SIGNALS

Every time a button is pressed, an audio signal will give a positive confirmation of the operation. The audio signals can be turn off in the section 2 of the setup menu (p. 82). Two audio signal is available. Way of glowing indicator lamp changes as the signal changes.

SHUTTER FX

When the shutter is released, a shutter sound effect will give a positive confirmation of the operation. The sound effect can be turned off in the section 2 of the setup menu (p. 82). Two shutter effects are available; signal 1 is mechanical, signal 2 is electrical. The mechanical shutter sound was taken from the legendary Minolta CLE, a compact rangefinder that represents the pinnacle of the development of the Leitz-Minolta CL.



VOLUME

The volume of the audio signals and shutter FX can be increased or decreased in the section 2 of the setup menu (p. 82). This affects the camera's audio signals only and will not change the playback levels of an audio track.

AUTO POWER OFF

To conserve battery power, the camera will shut down if an operation is not made within a certain period. To restore power, press the main switch. The length of the auto-power-off period can be changed in the section 2 of the setup menu (p. 82): 1, 3, 5, 10, and 30 minutes. The length of the auto-power-off period is fixed at 10 minutes when the camera is connected to a computer.

DATE AND TIME

It is important to accurately set the clock. When a recording is made, the date and time of the recording are saved with the file and are displayed in playback mode or with the DiIMAGE Viewer software included on the CD-ROM. See page 20 for how to set the date and time.

DATE FORMAT

The date format that is used in monitor displays and for date imprinting can be changed: YYYY/MM/DD (year, month, day), MM/DD/YYYY (month, day, year), DD/MM/YYYY (day, month, year). Simply select the format and enter it by pressing the center controller button; the new format will be displayed on the menu. The date format does not affect date folder names (p. 67). The date format is set in the section 3 of the setup menu (p. 82).

VIDEO OUTPUT

Camera images can be displayed on a television (p. 81). The video output can be changed between NTSC and PAL. North America uses the NTSC standard and Europe uses the PAL standard. Check which standard is used in your region to play back images on your television set.

TRANSFER MODE

The transfer-mode option switches the camera between a data storage device and a remote camera. To transfer files from the camera to a computer using the USB cable, the data storage option must be selected. The remote camera option allows the live video feed from the camera to be seen on a computer. For more on connecting the camera to a computer and the remote camera function, refer to the data-transfer section of the manual.

DATA-TRANSFER MODE

Read this section carefully before connecting the camera to a computer. Details on using and installing the DiMAGE Viewer software are found in the supplied software manual. The DiMAGE manuals do not cover the basic operation of computers or their operating systems; please refer to the manual supplied with your computer.

SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

For the camera to be connected directly to the computer and used as a mass-storage device, the computer must be equipped with a USB port as a standard interface. The computer and the operating system must be guaranteed by their manufacturers to support USB interface. The following operating systems are compatible with the camera:

| IBM PC / AT Compatible | Macintosh |
|---|--|
| Windows 98, 98SE, Me, 2000 Professional, and XP(Home/Professional). | Mac OS 9.0 ~ 9.2.2 and Mac OS X 10.1.3 - 10.1.5, and 10.2.1 - 10.2.6. |

Check the Minolta web site for the latest compatibility information:

North America: <http://www.minoltausa.com>

Europe: http://www.minoltaeurope.com/pe/digital/languages_stage.html

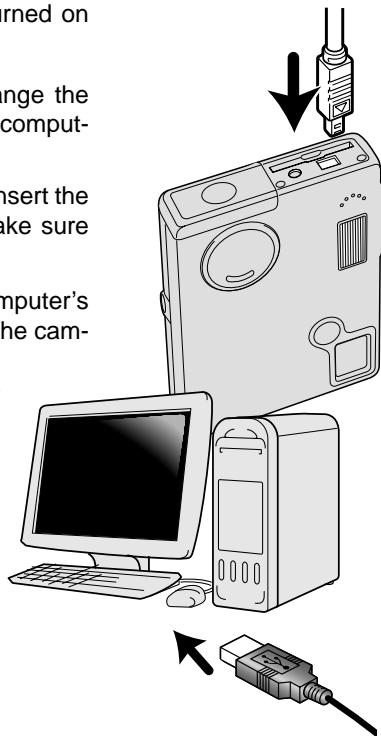
Users with Windows 98 or 98 second edition will need to install the driver software on the included DiMAGE Viewer CD-ROM (p. 93). No special driver software is required for other Windows or Macintosh operating systems.

Customers who have bought a previous DiMAGE digital camera and have installed the Windows 98 driver software must repeat the installation procedure. The updated version of the driver software included on the supplied DiMAGE Viewer CD-ROM is required for the operation of the DiMAGE X20 with a computer. The new software will have no effect on the performance of older DiMAGE cameras.

CONNECTING THE CAMERA TO A COMPUTER

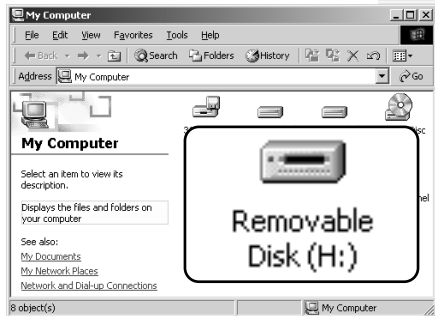
Confirm the battery has the sufficient power before connecting the camera to a computer. The use of the AC adapter (sold separately) is recommended over the use of the battery. For users with Windows 98 or 98SE, read the section on page 93 on how to install the necessary USB driver before connecting the camera to a computer.

1. Start up the computer. The computer must be turned on before connecting the camera.
2. Insert the memory card into the camera. To change the memory card while the camera is connected to a computer, see page 100.
3. Slide the AV-out terminal / USB-port cover open. Insert the small plug of the USB cable into the camera. Make sure the plug is firmly attached.
4. Attach the other end of the USB cable to the computer's USB port. Make sure the plug is firmly attached. The camera should be connected directly to the computer's USB port. Attaching the camera to a USB hub may prevent the camera from operating properly.
- 5 Turn on the camera to initiate the USB connection. While the camera is connected to a computer, the data-transfer screen will be displayed.





Windows XP

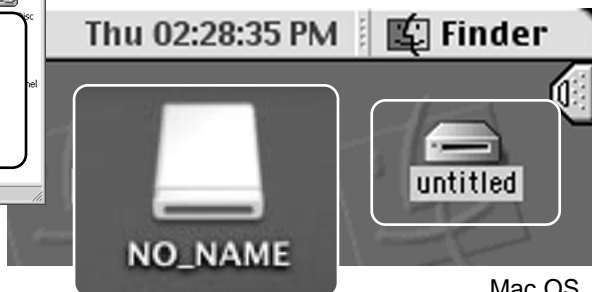


Windows

When the camera is properly connected to the computer, a drive icon, or volume, will appear. When using Windows XP or Mac OS X, a window will open requesting instructions on what to do with the image data; follow the directions in the window. If the computer does not recognize the camera, disconnect the camera and restart the computer. Repeat the connection procedure above.



Mac OS X



Mac OS X

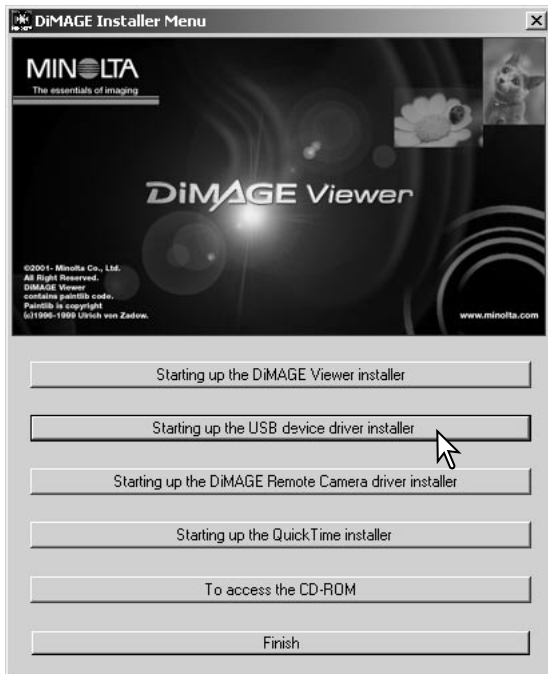
Mac OS

The volume name varies between memory cards.

CONNECTING TO WINDOWS 98 AND 98SE

The driver needs only to be installed once. If the driver cannot be installed automatically, it can be installed manually with the operating system's add-new-hardware wizard; see the instructions on the following page. During installation, if the operating system requests the Windows 98 CD-ROM, insert it into the CD-ROM drive and follow the accompanying instructions on the screen. No special driver software is required for other Windows operating systems.

Automatic Installation



Before connecting the camera to the computer, place the DiIMAGE Viewer CD-ROM in the CD-ROM drive. The DiIMAGE installer menu should automatically activate. To automatically install the Windows 98 USB driver, click on the starting-up-the-USB-device-driver-installer button. A window will appear to confirm that the driver should be installed; click "Yes" to continue.



When the driver has been successfully installed, a window will appear. Click "OK." Restart the computer before connecting the camera (p. 90).

Manual installation

To install the Windows 98 driver manually, follow the instructions in the connecting-the-camera-to-a-computer section on page 90.

When the camera is plugged into the computer, the operating system will detect the new device and the add-new-hardware-wizard window will open. Place the DiMAGE Viewer CD-ROM in the CD-ROM drive. Click “Next.”

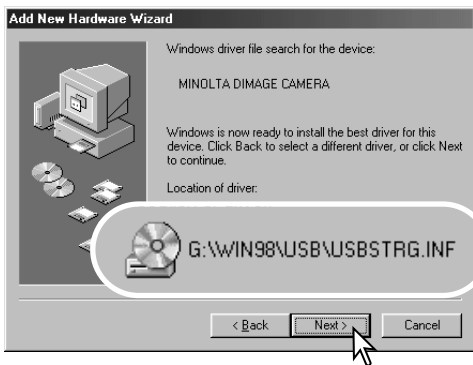


Choose the recommended search for a suitable driver. Click “Next.”



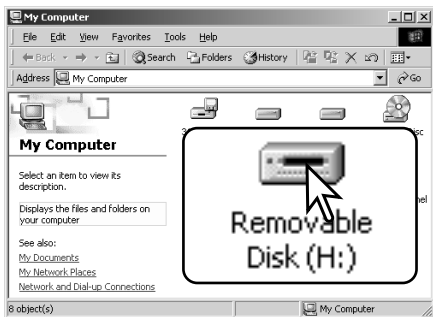
Choose to specify the location of the driver. The browse window can be used to indicate the driver location. The driver should be located in the CD-ROM drive at :\\Win98\\USB. When the location is shown in the window, click “Next.”





The add new hardware wizard will confirm the location of the driver. One of three drivers may be located: MNLVENUM.inf, USBPDR.inf, or USBSTRG.inf. The letter designating the CD-ROM drive will vary between computers. Click “Next” to install the driver in the system.

The last window will confirm the driver has been installed. Click “Finish” to close the add new hardware wizard. Restart the computer.



When the my-computer window is opened, a new removable-disk icon will be displayed. Double click on the icon to access the camera's memory card; see page 96.

QUICKTIME SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

IBM PC / AT Compatible

Pentium-based computer

Windows 95, 98, 98SE, NT, Me,
2000 Professional, or XP.

32MB or more of RAM

Sound Blaster or compatible sound card

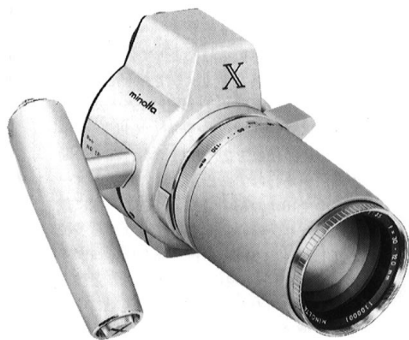
DirectX 3.0 or later recommended

To install QuickTime, follow the instructions in the installer. Macintosh users can download the latest version of QuickTime free of charge from the Apple Computer web site: <http://www.apple.com>.

AUTO POWER OFF - DATA-TRANSFER MODE

If the camera does not receive a read or write command within ten minutes, it will shut down to save power. When the camera shuts down, an unsafe-removal-of-device warning may appear on the computer monitor. Click "OK." Neither the camera or computer will be damaged in this operation. Unplug the USB cable and turn off the camera. Remake the USB connection by reattaching the cable and turning the camera on.

Minolta History



Innovation and creativity has always been a driving force behind Minolta products. The Electro-zoom X was purely an exercise in camera design. It was unveiled at Photokina in Germany in 1966.

The Electro-zoom X was an electronically controlled aperture-priority mechanical SLR with a built-in 30 - 120mm f/3.5 zoom lens giving twenty 12 X 17mm images on a roll of 16mm film. The shutter-release button and battery chamber are located in the grip. Only a few prototypes were built making it one of Minolta's rarest cameras.

MEMORY CARD FOLDER ORGANIZATION

Once the camera is connected to the computer, image and audio files can be accessed by double clicking on icons. Image folders are located in the DCIM folder. To copying images and audio recordings, simply drag and drop the file icon into a location in the computer.



Files and folders on the memory card can be deleted using the computer. Never format the memory card from the computer; always use the camera to format the card. Only files recorded by the camera should be stored on the memory card.

Drive Icon

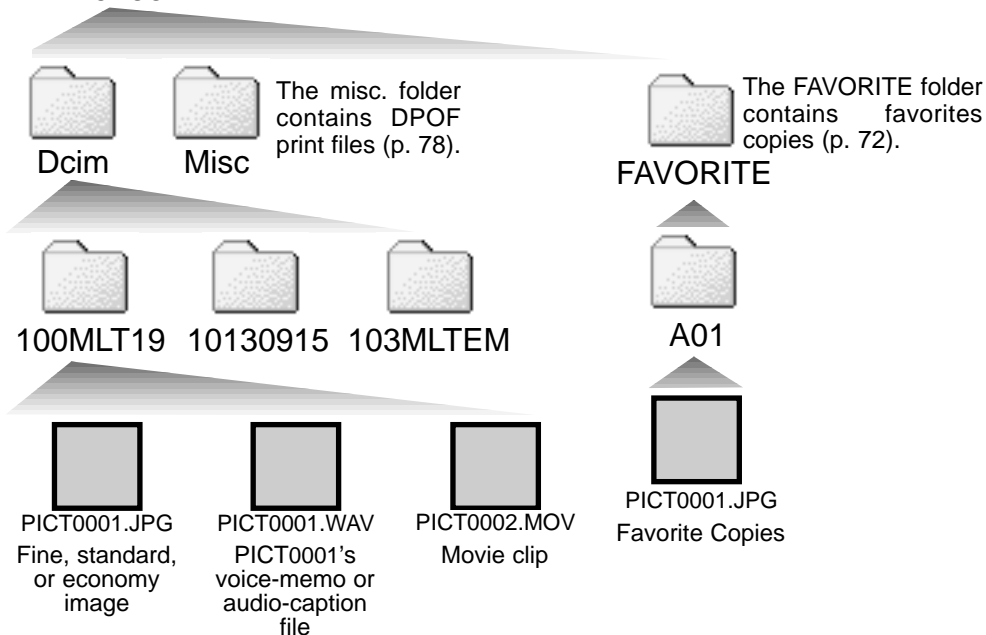


Image and audio file names begin with “PICT” followed by a four-digit file number and a jpg, mov. Voice-memo and audio caption files have a wav extension and the file name corresponds to their image file.

E-mail Copy images are placed in a folder ending in “EM.” Favorite Copy images are placed in a folder named “FAVORITE.” When a new folder is created, the first three digits in the folder name will be one greater than the largest folder number on the card. When the index number in the image file name exceeds 9,999, a new folder will be created with a number one greater than the greatest folder number on the memory card: e.g. from 100MLT19 to 101MLT19.

The number in the image file name may not correspond to the frame number of the image. As images are deleted in the camera, the frame counter will adjust itself to show the number of images on the card and reassign the frame numbers accordingly. The serial numbers used with image files will not change when an image is deleted. When a new image is recorded, it will be assigned a number one greater than the largest serial number in the folder. File serial numbers can be controlled with the file-number-memory function in the section 2 of the recording-mode menu (p. 57).

Camera Notes

Image files contain exif tag data. This data includes the time and date the image was recorded as well as the camera settings used. This data can be viewed with the camera or the DiIMAGE Viewer software. If an image is opened in an image-processing application that does not support Exif tag data, and then the image is saved overwriting the original data, the exif tag information will be erased. Some Exif compatible applications rewrite the Exif data preventing the DiIMAGE Viewer from reading it. When using software other than the DiIMAGE Viewer, always make a backup copy of the image files to protect the exif tag data.

To view images correctly on your computer, the monitor's color space may need to be adjusted. Refer to your computer manual on how to calibrate the display to the following requirements: sRGB, with a color temperature of 6500K, and a gamma of 2.2. Changes made to the captured image with the camera's contrast and color-saturation controls will affect any color-matching software in use.

DISCONNECTING THE CAMERA FROM A COMPUTER



Never disconnect the camera when the access lamp is red - the data or memory card may permanently be damaged.

Windows 98 / 98 Second Edition

Confirm that the access lamp is not lit. Turn the camera off, and then disconnect the USB cable.

Windows Me, 2000 Professional, and XP



To disconnect the camera, click once on the unplug-or-eject-hardware icon located on the task bar. A small window will open indicating the device to be stopped.



Click on the small window to stop the device. The safe-to-remove-hardware window will open. Close the window, turn the camera off, and then disconnect the USB cable.

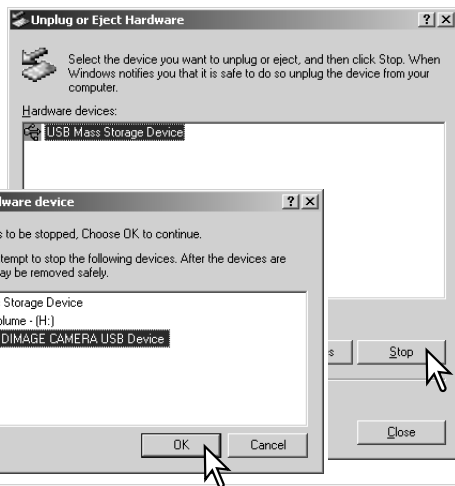


When more than one external device are connected to the computer, repeat the procedure above except right click on the unplug-or-eject-hardware icon. This will open the unplug-or-eject-hardware window after clicking on the small window indicating the unplug-or-eject-hardware routine.



The hardware devices to be stopped will be displayed. Highlight the device by clicking on it then click “Stop.”

A confirmation screen will appear to indicate the devices to be stopped. Clicking “OK” will stop the device.



A third and final screen will appear to indicate the camera can be safely disconnected from the computer. Close the window, turn the camera off, and then disconnect the USB cable.



Macintosh

Confirm that the access lamp is not lit and then drag the mass-storage device icon and drop it into the trash. Turn the camera off, and then disconnect the USB cable.



CHANGING THE MEMORY CARD - DATA-TRANSFER MODE



Never remove the card when the access lamp is red - the data or memory card may permanently be damaged.

Windows 98 and 98 Second Edition

1. Turn off the camera.
2. Change the memory card.
3. Turn on the camera to remake the USB connection.

Windows ME, 2000 Professional, and XP

1. Stop the USB connection using the unplug-or-eject-hardware routine (p. 98).
2. Turn off the camera.
3. Change the memory card.
4. Turn on the camera to remake the USB connection.

Macintosh

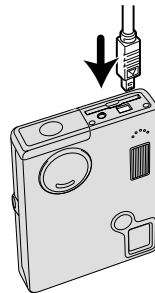
1. Stop the USB connection by dragging the drive icon into the trash (p. 99).
2. Turn off the camera.
3. Change the memory card.
4. Turn on the camera to remake the USB connection.

USING USB DIRECT-PRINT

USB DIRECT-PRINT allows still images to be printed directly from a compatible Epson printer. This function prints a single image on one sheet of paper. Index prints cannot be printed with USB DIRECT-PRINT. To print index prints, see page 103.

Before each print run, check the printer settings; refer to the printer manual. A fully charged battery should be used when the camera is connected to the printer. The use of the AC adapter (sold separately) is recommended over the use of the battery.

Connect the camera to the printer using the camera's USB cable. The larger plug on the cable is connected to the printer. Slide open the USB-port cover and insert the smaller plug of the cable into the camera. Turn the camera on. The USB Direct Print screen will be displayed.



Number of prints in the print run.



Strike through indicates unprintable file type.

Number of copies of the displayed image.



The display button switches between the single frame and index playback formats.



Use the left/right keys of the controller to display the image to be printed.



Press the up key to select the number of copies to be printed. A maximum of nine copies can be selected. To deselect an image for printing, press the down key until the number of copies reaches zero.



Repeat the previous steps until all the images to be printed are selected. Press the central button of the controller to begin the printing routine.

Print file?

Number of prints: 7

Yes

No

The number of prints in the print run are displayed on the LCD monitor. Use the left/right keys to highlight "Yes," and press the center of the controller to start printing.

Printing finished.

OK

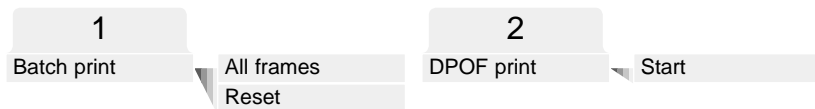
Once printing begins, the operation can be canceled by pressing the center of the controller. The printing finished message will indicate the end of the operation; turn the camera off to end the routine.

NOTES ON PRINTING ERRORS

If a minor problem occurs during printing, such as the paper runs out, follow the procedure recommended for the printer; no action is required for the camera. If a major printer error occurs, press the center of the controller to end the routine. Refer to the printer manual for the correct procedure for the printer problem. Check the printer settings before starting again and use the USB Direct Print screen to deselect the images that were printed.

NAVIGATING THE USB DIRECT-PRINT MENU

When the camera is connected to a compatible printer, the menu button turns the menu on and off. The left/right and up/down keys of the controller are used to move the cursor in the menu. Pressing the central button of the controller will enter a setting.



Batch print selects all JPEG images (fine, standard, and economy) on the memory card for printing. When the all-frames option is selected, a screen opens so the number of copies of each image can be specified. Up to nine copies can be printed. The reset option cancels all changes made to the print selection screen.

After the batch-print option is chosen, the USB DIRECT-PRINT selection screen will show which images and the number of copies selected. The controller can be used to edit the print order, see page 78.

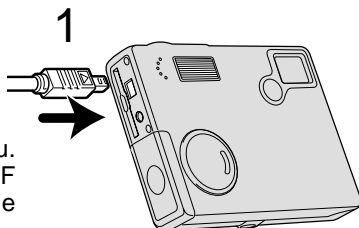
DPOF print allows the JPEG images (fine, standard, and economy) and an index print selected with the DPOF printing options in the playback menu to be printed from an Epson USB DIRECT-PRINT compatible printer. Simply select the start option from the menu to begin the routine; see the following page.

PRINTING DPOF FILES

The USB DIRECT PRINT menu DPOF-print option allows JPEG (fine, standard, and economy) images and an index print selected with the DPOF printing options in the playback menu to be printed from an Epson USB DIRECT-PRINT compatible printer. See page 78 on how to create a DPOF file.

Before each print run, check the printer settings; refer to the printer manual. A fully charged battery should be used when the camera is connected to the printer. The use of the AC adapter (sold separately) is recommended over the use of the battery.

Connect the camera to the printer using the camera's USB cable. The larger plug on the cable is connected to the printer. Slide open the USB-port cover and insert the smaller plug of the cable into the camera (1).



Turn the camera on. Open the USB DIRECT-PRINT menu. Highlight “Start” in the DPOF-print option in the DPOF section of the menu. Press the central button of the controller to begin the routine.

Print file?

Number of prints: 7

Yes

No

The number of prints in the print run are displayed on the LCD monitor; index prints are counted as one. Use the left/right keys to highlight “Yes,” and press the center of the controller to start printing.

Printing finished.

OK

Once printing begins, the operation can be canceled by pressing the center of the controller. The printing finished message will indicate the end of the operation; turn the camera off to end the routine.

REMOTE CAMERA SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

For the camera to be connected directly to the computer and used as a remote imaging device, the computer must be equipped with a USB port as a standard interface. The computer and the operating system must be guaranteed by their manufacturers to support USB interface. See chart for system requirements.

The remote-camera driver software must be installed. Specific application software, such as Microsoft Net Meeting, is required to view the images. This function cannot be used with Macintosh computers.

Minimum system requirements

Pentium II 300MHz or later

Windows 98 Second Edition, Me, 2000 Professional, and XP(Home, Professional)

128MB of RAM. 256MB with Windows XP.

200MB of hard-disk space

800 X 600 16-bit color monitor

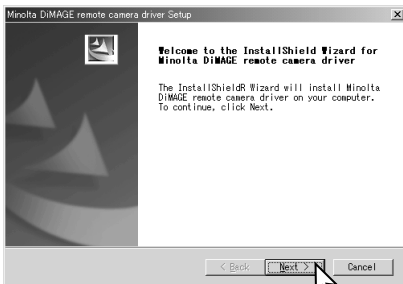
Remote camera tested with Microsoft Net Meeting and Windows Messenger.

INSTALLING THE REMOTE CAMERA DRIVER

The driver needs only to be installed once. This driver is not compatible with Macintosh operating systems.

Before connecting the camera to the computer, place the DiIMAGE Viewer CD-ROM in the CD-ROM drive. The DiIMAGE installer menu should automatically activate. To install the driver, click on the DiIMAGE remote-camera installer button.



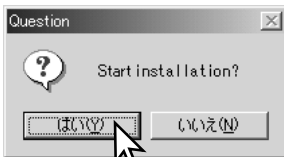


The InstallShield Wizard window is displayed. Click the next button to continue.

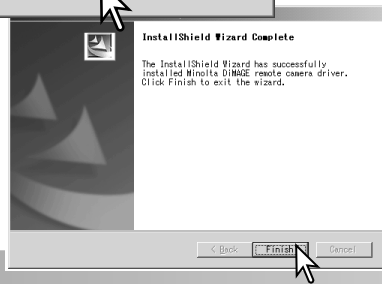


The license agreement is displayed. if you accept the agreement, click the yes button to continue.

Read the entire agreement carefully before continuing. If you do not agree to the terms, click the no button to exit the installation program.



An installation confirmation screen appears. To install the remote camera driver, click "Yes." The no button will cancel the operation without installing the driver.

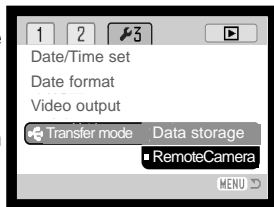


When the driver installation has been completed, a message will be displayed. Click the finish button to complete the operation.

CONNECTING THE REMOTE CAMERA

Before the camera can be connected to a computer, the remote camera driver must be installed, see page 104. A fully charged battery should be used when the camera is connected to a computer. The use of the AC adapter (sold separately) is recommended over the use of the battery. For users with Windows 98SE, the USB driver must be installed before connecting the camera to a computer (p. 92).

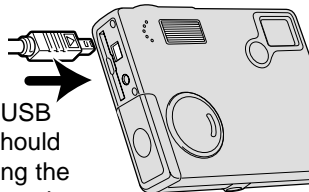
1. Select RemoteCamera from the transfer mode option in the section 3 of the setup menu.



2. Start up the computer. The computer must be turned on before connecting the camera.

3. Slide the AV-out terminal / USB-port cover open. Insert the small plug of the USB cable into the camera. Make sure the plug is firmly attached.

4. Attach the other end of the USB cable to the computer's USB port. Make sure the plug is firmly attached. The camera should be connected directly to the computer's USB port. Attaching the camera to a USB hub may prevent the camera from operating properly.

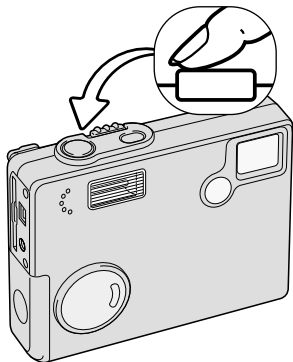


5 Turn on the camera to initiate the USB connection. A live image is displayed on the monitor.

To view the live image on the computer, follow the instructions for the application used. Refer to the application's instruction manual or help section for details.

NOTES ON REMOTE CAMERA OPERATION

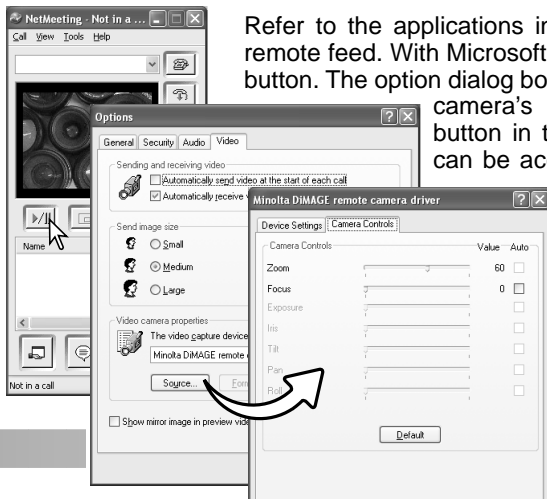
When using the remote camera, exposure, white balance, and camera sensitivity are set to auto. The optical and 4X digital zoom are active. There are no menu controls. The flash is disabled. There is no audio.



The camera can be focused periodically by pressing the shutter-release button partway down. The AF system does not continually focus when the button is pressed and held so the operation should be repeated as the subject distances changes.

Because of the data rate, there may be delays when the camera is focused or zoomed.

The LCD monitor can be turn off by holding the central button to conserve the battery power.



Refer to the applications instruction manual on how the view the remote feed. With Microsoft Net messenger, simply click on the play button. The option dialog box allows remote control over some of the camera's functions. By clicking on the source button in the video tab, zoom and focus controls can be accessed; the controls are located on the camera control tab of the dialog box. Image magnification can be adjusted with the zoom slider. Clicking the auto check box on the focus option focuses the camera. However, focus is not continuous and the box must be checked each time focusing is required.

APPENDIX

Troubleshooting

The section covers minor problems with basic camera operation. For major problems or damage, or if a problem continues to reoccur frequently, contact a Minolta service facility listed on the back cover of this manual.

| Problem | Symptom | Cause | Solution |
|---------------------------|--|--|--|
| The camera will not work. | Nothing displayed on the monitor. | The battery is dead. | Replace battery (p. 14). |
| | | The auto-power-off function has turned the camera off. | Press the main switch to restore power. The length of the auto-power-off period can be changed in the section 2 of the setup menu. |
| | | The AC adapter is not connected properly. | Check that the adapter is connected to the camera and a live electrical outlet (p. 16). |
| Shutter will not release. | "000" is displayed on the frame counter. | Memory card is full and unable to store an image at the image-quality or image-size setting on the camera. | Insert a new memory card (p. 18), delete some images (p. 69), or change the image-quality or image-size setting (p. 43). |
| | No-card warning appears on the monitors. | No memory card in the camera. | Insert a memory card (p. 18). |

| Problem | Symptom | Cause | Solution |
|---|--|---|--|
| Shutter will not release. | Card-locked warning appears on the monitor. | Memory card is locked. | Unlock the memory card using the write-protect switch (p. 19). |
| Pictures are not sharp. | Focus signal is red. | Subject is too close. | Make sure the subject is within the autofocus range (p. 26). |
| | | A special situation is preventing the autofocus system from focusing (p. 27). | Use the focus-lock function to focus on an object at the same distance as the subject (p. 26). |
| | Pictures are taken indoors or in low-light situations without flash. | Slow shutter speeds result in blurred images when the camera is hand-held. | Use a tripod, change the camera sensitivity to a higher setting (p. 51), or use the flash (p. 36). |
| While using flash, the pictures are too dark. | The subject is beyond the flash range (p. 28). | | Move closer to the subject or change the camera sensitivity to a higher setting (p. 51). |

If the camera does not function normally, turn it off, remove and reinsert the battery, or unplug and reconnect the AC adapter. Always turn the camera off using the main switch otherwise the memory card may be damaged and camera settings reset.

REMOVING THE DRIVER SOFTWARE - WINDOWS

1. Insert a memory card in the camera and connect it to the computer with the USB cable. Other devices must not be connected to the computer during this procedure.

2. Right click on the My-computer icon. Select “properties” from the drop-down menu.

Windows XP: from the start menu go to the control panel. Click on the performance and maintenance category. Click “System” to open the system properties window.

3. Windows 2000 and XP: select the hardware tab in the properties window and click the device-manager button.

Windows 98 and Me: click the device-manager tab in the properties window.

4. The driver file will be located in the universal-serial-bus-controller or other-devices location of the device manager. Click on the locations to display the files. The driver should be indicated with the camera name. Under certain conditions, the driver name may not contain the camera name. However, the driver will be indicated by either a question mark or exclamation point.

5. Click on the driver to select it.

6. Windows 2000 and XP: click on the action button to display the drop-down menu. Select “uninstall.” A confirmation screen will appear. Clicking “Yes” will remove the driver from the system.

Windows 98 and Me: click the remove button. A confirmation screen will appear. Clicking “Yes” will remove the driver from the system.

7. Disconnect the USB cable and turn off the camera. Restart the computer.

CARE AND STORAGE

Read this section in its entirety to get the best results from your camera. With proper care, your camera will provide years of service.

Camera care

- Do not subject the camera to shock or impact.
- Turn off the camera when transporting.
- This camera is neither waterproof nor splashproof. Inserting or removing batteries or the memory card, or operating the camera with wet hands may damage the camera.
- When at the beach or near water, take care not to expose the camera to water or sand. Water, sand, dust, or salt can damage the camera.
- Do not leave the camera under direct sunlight. Do not point the lens directly at the sun; the CCD may be damaged.

Cleaning

- If the camera or the outside of the lens is dirty, gently wipe it with a soft, clean, dry cloth. If the camera or lens comes in contact with sand, gently blow away loose particles. Wiping may scratch the surface.
- To clean the lens surface, first blow away any dust or sand, then gently wipe the lens with a cloth or tissue designed for optics. Use lens-cleaning fluid if necessary.
- Never use organic solvents to clean the camera.
- Never touch the lens surface with your fingers.

Storage

- Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area away from dust and chemicals. For long periods of disuse, store the camera in an airtight container with a silica-gel drying agent.
- Remove the batteries and memory card from the camera when not in use for extended periods.
- Do not store the camera in an area with naphthalene or mothballs.
- During long periods of storage, operate the camera occasionally. When taking the camera out of storage, check that the camera is functioning properly before using.

Memory cards

SD Memory Cards and MultiMediaCards are manufactured with precision electronic components. The following may cause data loss or damage:

- Improper use of the card.
- Bending, dropping, or subjecting the card to impact.
- Heat, moisture, and direct sunlight.
- Static electrical discharge or electromagnetic fields near the card.
- Removing the card or interrupting the power supply while the camera or a computer is accessing the card (reading, writing, formatting, etc.).
- Touching the electrical contacts of the card with your fingers or metal objects.
- Using the card beyond its life. Purchasing a new card periodically may be necessary.

Minolta has no responsibility for any loss or damage to data. It is recommended that a copy of the card data be made.

Batteries

- Battery performance decreases with temperature. In cold environments, we recommend keeping spare batteries in a warm place, such as the inside of a coat. Batteries can recover their power when they warm up.
- Do not store the battery when it is fully charged.
- When storing the battery for extended periods, recharge it for five minutes every six months. The battery may not be able to be charged if completely exhausted.
- A special built-in, long-life battery supplies power to the clock and memory when the camera is turned off. If the camera resets each time it is turned off, the battery is exhausted. It must be replaced at a Minolta service facility.
- Keep battery contacts clean. Dirty contacts can prevent charging. If the contacts become dirty, wipe them with a cotton swab.

Before important events and journeys

- Check the camera's operation; take test pictures and purchase spare batteries.
- Minolta has no responsibility for any damage or loss incurred by equipment malfunction.

Operating temperatures and conditions

- This camera has been designed for use in temperatures from 0°C to 40°C (32°F to 104°F).
- Never leave the camera exposed to extreme high temperatures, such as in a car parked in the sun, or to extreme humidity.
- When taking the camera from a cold to a warm environment, place it in a sealed plastic bag to prevent condensation from forming. Allow the camera to come to room temperature before removing it from the bag.

LCD monitor care

- Although the LCD monitor is manufactured using high precision technology, there may occasionally be a lack of color or bright points on the monitor.
- Do not apply pressure to the surface of the LCD monitor; it may be permanently damaged.
- In cold temperatures, the LCD monitor may become temporarily dark. When the camera warms up, the display will function normally.
- The LCD monitor may be slow to react in low temperatures or may turn dark in a hot environment. When the camera reaches normal operating temperature, the display will function normally.
- If fingerprints are on the LCD monitor surface, gently wipe with a soft, clean, dry cloth.

Copyright

- TV program, films, video tapes, photographs, and other materials may be copyrighted. Unauthorized recording or duplication of such material may be contrary to copyright laws. Taking pictures or images of performances, exhibitions, etc., is prohibited without approval and can infringe on copyright. Images protected by copyright can only be used under the provisions within the copyright laws.

Questions and service

- If you have questions about your camera, contact your local camera dealer or write to the Minolta distributor in your area.
- Before shipping your camera for repair, please contact a Minolta Service Facility.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

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| Number of effective pixels: | 2.0 million |
| CCD: | 1/3.2-type interline primary-color CCD with a total of 2.1 million pixels. |
| Camera sensitivity (ISO): | Automatic (between ISO 64 - 200 equivalent), ISO64, 100, 200, 400 |
| Aspect ratio: | 4:3 |
| Lens construction: | 10 elements in 9 groups. |
| Maximum aperture: | f/2.8 - f/3.7 |
| Focal length: | 4.8 - 14.4 mm (35mm equivalent: 37 - 111 mm) |
| Focusing range: | 0.10 m - infinity (from the front of the camera) |
| Autofocusing system: | Video AF |
| Shutter: | CCD electronic shutter plus mechanical shutter |
| Shutter speeds: | 4 - 1/1000s |
| Built-in flash recycling time: | Approximately 6.5 seconds |
| Monitor LCD: | 4.0cm (1.6 inch) digital-interface TFT color monitor with anti-reflection coating |
| Monitor field of view: | Approximately 100% |
| A/D conversion: | 12 bits |
| Recording media: | SD Memory Cards and MultiMediaCards |
| File formats: | JPEG, motion JPEG (MOV), WAV. DCF 1.0, DPOF, and Exif 2.2 compliant. |
| Print Image Matching: | Yes |
| Menu languages: | Japanese, English, German, French, and Spanish |
| Video output: | NTSC and PAL |
| Batteries: | Two AA batteries: Ni-MH, alkaline |
| Battery performance (recording): | Approximately 110 frames: based on Minolta's standard test method: alkaline batteries, full-size images (1600 X 1200), standard image quality, no instant playback, no voice memo, flash used with 50% of the frames. |

Approximately 230 frames: based on Minolta's standard test method: Ni-MH batteries, LCD monitor off, full-size images (1600X1200), standard image quality, no instant playback, no voice memo, flash used with 50% of the frames.

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|---------------------------------|---|
| Battery performance (playback): | Approximate continuous playback time: 260 min with alkaline batteries. Based on Minolta's standard test method Approximate continuous playback time: 300 min with Ni-MH batteries. Based on Minolta's standard test method |
| External power source: | AC adapter (AC-6L) |
| Dimensions: | 86 (W) X 67 (H) X 23.5 (D) mm |
| Weight: | Approximately 115g (without battery or recording media) |
| Operating temperature: | 0° - 40°C |
| Operating humidity: | 5 - 85% (noncondensing) |

Specifications are based on the latest information available at the time of printing and are subject to change without notice.