

Interchangeable Lens Digital HD Video Camera Recorder

Operating Guide

E-mount

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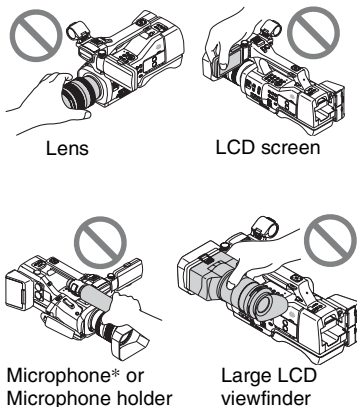
Read this first

Before operating this unit, please read this manual thoroughly, and retain it for future reference.

Notes on use

Using the camcorder

- Do not hold the camcorder by the following parts, and also do not hold the camcorder by the jack covers.



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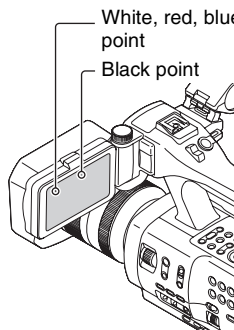
Notes

- The camcorder is not dustproof, dripproof or waterproof. See "About handling of your camcorder" (p. 125).
- When connecting the camcorder to another device with communication cables, be sure to insert the connector plug in the correct way. Pushing the plug forcibly into the terminal will damage the terminal and may result in a malfunction of the camcorder.
- Use GPS in accordance with the regulations of the situation, the countries/regions of use.

On the LCD screen and lens

- A menu item that is grayed out is not available under the current recording or playback conditions.

- The LCD screen is manufactured using extremely high-precision technology, so over 99.99% of the pixels are operational for effective use. However, there may be some tiny black points and/or bright points (white, red, blue, or green in color) that appear constantly on the LCD screen. These points are normal results of the manufacturing process and do not affect the recording in any way.



On sunlight

- Do not record the sun or leave the camcorder under the sun for a long time. The internal parts of the camcorder may be damaged. If sunlight is focused on a nearby object, it may cause a fire. When you must place the camcorder under direct sunlight, attach the front lens cap.
- Do not expose your camcorder's viewfinder, lens, or LCD screen to the sun or strong light source for extended periods. Doing so may cause a malfunction of the camcorder.
- Do not attempt to record the sun directly. Doing so may cause a malfunction of the camcorder.
- Do not look at the sun or a strong light through a removed lens. This may cause irrecoverable damage to your eyes. Also, this may cause a malfunction.

On the temperature of your camcorder and battery pack

Your camcorder has a protective function that disables recording or playback if the temperature of your camcorder or battery pack is beyond the safely operable range. In this case, a message appears on the LCD screen (p. 115).

On recording

- In order to stabilize memory card operation, it is recommended that you format the memory card when you use it with your camcorder for the first time. All data recorded on the memory card will be erased by formatting, and cannot be recovered. Save important data on the memory card on other media such as a computer, before formatting the memory card.
- Before starting to record, test the recording function to make sure the picture and sound are recorded without any problems.
- Compensation for the loss of the content of recordings or the loss of recording opportunities cannot be provided, even if recording or playback is not possible due to a malfunction of the camcorder, storage media, etc., or even if images or sounds are distorted due to the limits of the capabilities of the camcorder.
- TV color systems differ depending on the countries/regions. To view your recordings on a TV, you need to set [60i/50i SEL] in accordance with the country/region.
- Television programs, films, video tapes, and other materials may be copyrighted. Unauthorized recording of such materials may be contrary to the copyright laws.
- Because of the way that the image device (CMOS sensor) reads out image signals, the following phenomena may occur.
 - The subjects passing by the frame rapidly might appear crooked depending on the recording conditions. (This phenomenon may

be notable in displays having high motion resolution.)

- Horizontal lines appear on the LCD screen during recording under fluorescent lights, sodium lamps or mercury lamps. The phenomena can be reduced by adjusting the shutter speed (p. 47).

DVD media recorded with high definition image quality (HD)

DVD media recorded with high definition image quality (HD) can be played back with devices that are compatible with the AVCHD format. You cannot play discs recorded with high definition image quality (HD) with DVD players/recorders as they are not compatible with the AVCHD format. If you insert a disc recorded with the AVCHD format (high definition image quality (HD)) into a DVD player/recorder, you may not be able to eject the disc.

Save all your recorded image data

- To prevent your image data from being lost, save all your recorded images on external media periodically. To save images on an external device, see page 104.
- Movies recorded with the recording mode set to PS or FX on [HD] REC FORMAT] can be saved on an external media device and Blu-ray disc only (p. 104).

To handle the recorded images on your computer

Refer to the Installation guide and “Help” on the supplied CD-ROM “Content Browser.”





Format the recording media using [MEDIA FORMAT] if images are not recorded or played back properly

If you continue recording and deleting images on recording media for a long time, the files on that recording media may be fragmented. As a result, you may not be able to record and save images properly. If

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this happens, save images on a separate recordable media, such as a disc or computer, then format the recording media (p. 78).

About the operation of the camcorder

You can operate the camcorder using the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial (p. 28, 80), ////EXEC buttons (p. 80), and the touch panel. However, you cannot use the touch panel* to make some settings such as the MENU items.

* Some operations are possible only with the touch panel.

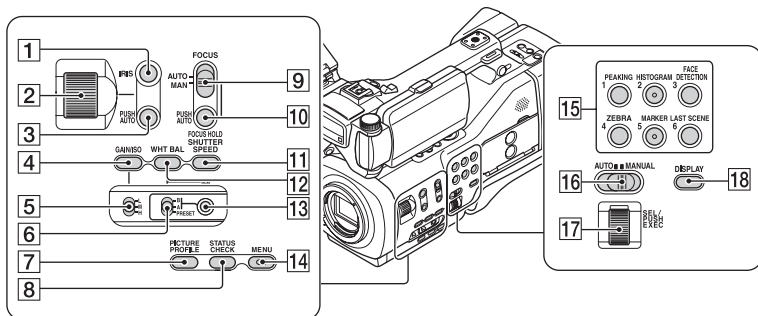
About this manual


- Operations in the manual are described using the E 18-200mm F3.5-6.3 OSS lens supplied with the NEX-EA50UK/EA50EK/EA50K. When the operation differs depending on the lens used, you will find the relevant information in “Notes” or “Tips.”
- The value you can set in []REC FORMAT], etc., depends on the [60i/50i SEL] setting. In this manual, the values for both [60i] and [50i] settings are described.
- Memory cards and a flash memory unit are both referred to as recording media in this manual.
- The images of the LCD screen used in this manual for illustration purposes are captured using a digital still camera, and therefore may appear different.
- The on-screen displays in each local language are used for illustrating the operating procedures. Change the screen language before using your camcorder if necessary (p. 28).
- Design and specifications of recording media and other accessories are subject to change without notice.

Identifying parts and controls

Body

The numbers in () are reference pages.

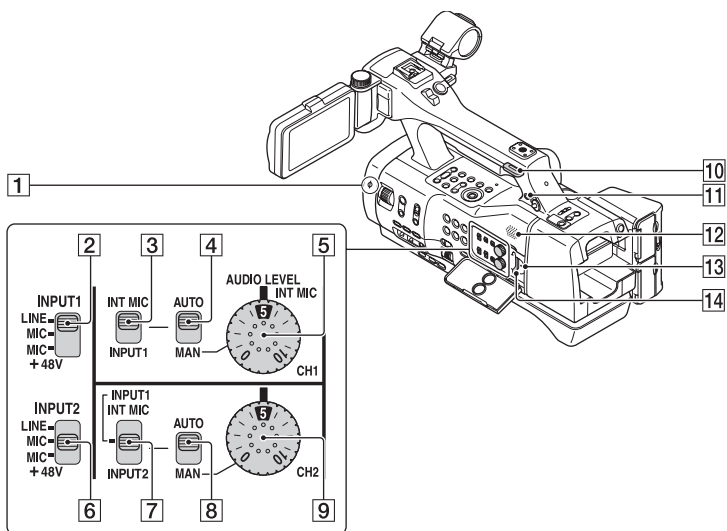


- 1 IRIS button* (45)
- 2 Iris ring (45)
- 3 IRIS PUSH AUTO button (45)
- 4 GAIN/ISO button (46)
- 5 Gain switch (46)
- 6 White balance memory switch (49)
- 7 PICTURE PROFILE button (53)
- 8 STATUS CHECK button (69)
- 9 FOCUS switch (39)
- 10 FOCUS HOLD/PUSH AUTO button (40)
- 11 SHUTTER SPEED button (47)
- 12 WHT BAL button* (49)
- 13  (one push) button (49)
- 14 MENU button** (28, 80)
- 15 ASSIGN 1/2*/3/4/5*/6 button (61)
- 16 AUTO/MANUAL switch (45)
- 17 SEL/PUSH EXEC dial (28, 80)
- 18 DISPLAY button (68)

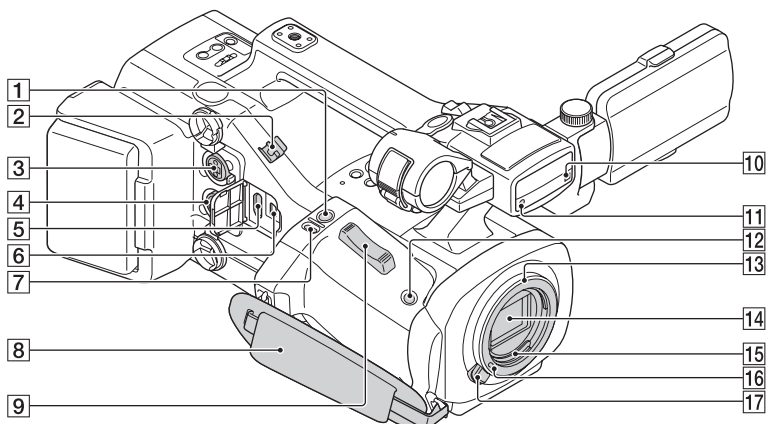
* IRIS button, WHT BAL button, ASSIGN 2 (HISTOGRAM) button, and ASSIGN 5 (MARKER) button have raised tactile dots for your convenience in locating the buttons.

**MENU button has a raised tactile bar for your convenience in locating the buttons.

Identifying parts and controls (Continued)



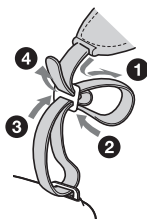
- 1** Image sensor position index (40)
- 2** INPUT 1 switch (51)
- 3** CH1 (INT MIC/INPUT 1) switch (51)
- 4** CH1 (AUTO/MAN) switch (51)
- 5** AUDIO LEVEL (CH1) dial (51)
- 6** INPUT 2 switch (51)
- 7** CH2 (INT MIC/INPUT 1/INPUT 2) switch (51)
- 8** CH2 (AUTO/MAN) switch (51)
- 9** AUDIO LEVEL (CH2) dial (51)
- 10** Hook for shoulder strap
- 11** (headphones) jack
For connecting stereo mini-jack headphones.
- 12** Speaker
- 13** Access lamp
- 14** Memory card slot (31)



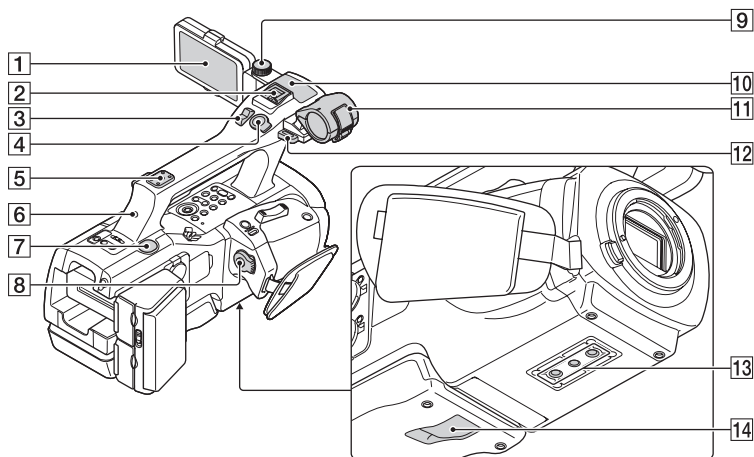
- 1 PHOTO button (33)
- 2 Cable clamp
- 3 INPUT 1 jack (26)
- 4 INPUT 2 jack
- 5 HDMI OUT jack (70)
- 6 Ψ (USB) jack (104)
- 7 EXPANDED FOCUS button
- 8 Grip belt
- 9 Zoom lever
- 10 Remote sensor (102)
- 11 Front recording lamp (102)
The recording lamp flashes if the remaining capacity of recording media or battery is low.
- 12 IRIS PUSH AUTO button
- 13 Lens mount (22)
- 14 Image sensor
- 15 Lens contacts
Do not touch or dirty the lens contacts.
- 16 Lens lock pin
- 17 Lens release button (23)

To attach a shoulder strap

Attach a shoulder strap (sold separately) to the hooks for a shoulder strap.



Identifying parts and controls (Continued)



1 LCD screen/touch panel (29)

2 Multi-interface shoe



A flash (sold separately) that is compatible with the multi-interface shoe can be used. For details of compatible accessories, check the dedicated support web site or consult your local authorized Sony service facility.

3 Zoom lever

4 START/STOP button (33)

When the lever is set to the HOLD position, the START/STOP button is not operable.

5 Accessory shoe receptacles (26)

6 Rear recording lamp (102)

The recording lamp flashes if the remaining capacity of recording media or battery is low.

7 BATT RELEASE button (20)

8 POWER switch, START/STOP button (27)

9 LCD TILT HOLD dial (29)

10 Built-in microphone

11 Microphone holder

12 Hook for cable stopper/shoulder strap

13 Tripod receptacles

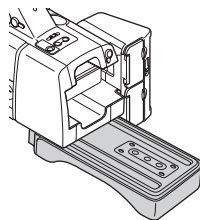
For 1/4-20UNC screws

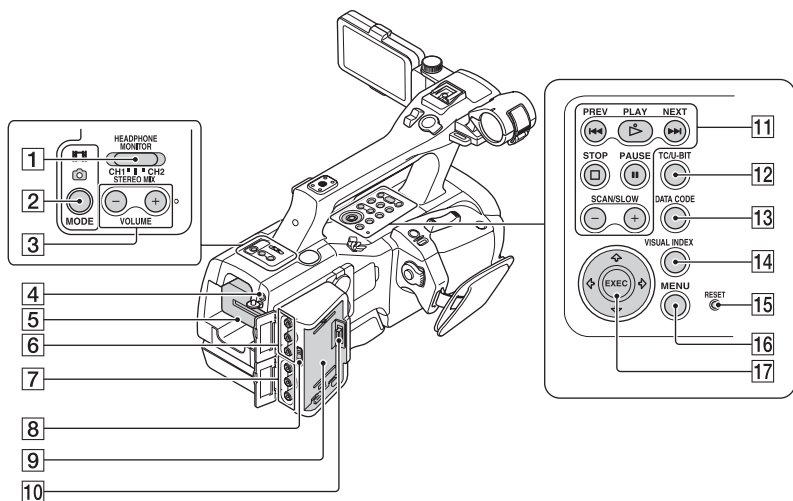
For attaching a tripod with a screw shorter than 5.5 mm (sold separately).

14 Shoulder mount lock lever

Accessory sockets on top of the shoulder mount

A counterbalance or accessories up to 1 kg can be attached to the sockets.





1 HEADPHONE MONITOR switch (53)

2 MODE button (33)

3 VOLUME buttons* (63)

4 REMOTE jack

The REMOTE jack is used for controlling playback, etc. on the video device and peripherals connected to it.

5 Battery pack (19)

6 VIDEO OUT/AUDIO OUT jacks (70, 106)

7 COMPONENT OUT jack (70)

8 Flash memory unit RELEASE lever (32)

9 Flash memory unit mount (32)

10 Flash memory unit jack

11 Playback control buttons (STOP/PAUSE/PREV/PLAY*/NEXT/SCAN/SLOW) (63)

12 TC/U-BIT button

Switches between time code and user bit to display on the LCD screen.

13 DATA CODE button (68)

14 VISUAL INDEX button (63)

15 RESET button

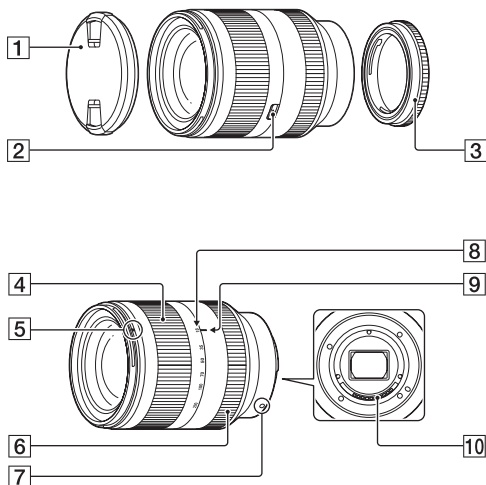
If you press the RESET button, all settings including the clock setting (except the picture profile settings) return to the default.

16 MENU button (28, 80)

17 $\blacktriangle/\blacktriangledown/\blacktriangleleft/\blacktriangleright$ /EXEC buttons (80)

* The right side of the VOLUME+ button, and PLAY button have raised tactile dots for easy button location.

Lens E 18-200mm F3.5-6.3 OSS (NEX-EA50UK/EA50EK/EA50K only)



- 1 Front lens cap
- 2 Zoom lock switch
- 3 Rear lens cap
- 4 Zooming ring (37)
- 5 Hood index
- 6 Focusing ring (39)
- 7 Mounting index (22)
- 8 Focal-length scale
- 9 Focal-length index
- 10 Lens contacts

Do not touch or dirty the lens contacts.

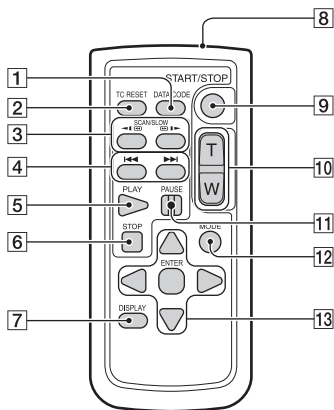
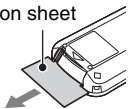
For NEX-EA50UH/EA50EH/EA50H users

For details of the high-magnification power zoom lens (E PZ 18-200mm F3.5-6.3 OSS), refer to the accompanying instruction manuals.

Wireless Remote Commander

Remove the insulation sheet before using the Wireless Remote Commander.

Insulation sheet



- 1 DATA CODE button (68)
- 2 TC RESET button (60)
- 3 SCAN/SLOW buttons (63)
- 4 ◀▶ (PREV/NEXT) buttons (63)
- 5 PLAY button (63)
- 6 STOP button (63)
- 7 DISPLAY button (68)
- 8 Transmitter
- 9 START/STOP button (33)
- 10 Zoom lever
- 11 PAUSE button (63)
- 12 MODE button
- 13 ◀▶/▲/▼/ENTER buttons

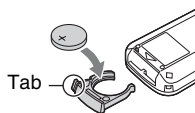
Notes

- Aim the Wireless Remote Commander towards the remote sensor to operate your camcorder.

- Point the remote sensor away from strong light sources such as direct sunlight or overhead lighting. Otherwise, the Wireless Remote Commander may not function properly.
- When you are operating with the Wireless Remote Commander supplied with your camcorder, your video device may also operate. In that case, select a commander mode other than DVD2 for your video device, or cover the sensor of your video device with black paper.

To change the battery of the Wireless Remote Commander

- 1 While pressing on the tab, inset your fingernail into the slit to pull out the battery case.
- 2 Place a new battery with the + side facing up.
- 3 Insert the battery case back into the Wireless Remote Commander until it clicks.

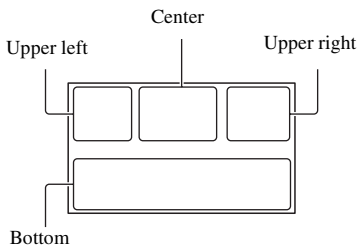


WARNING

Battery may explode if mistreated. Do not recharge, disassemble or dispose of in fire.

- When the lithium battery becomes weak, the operating distance of the Wireless Remote Commander may shorten, or the Wireless Remote Commander may not function properly. In this case, replace the battery with a Sony CR2025 lithium battery. Use of another battery may present a risk of fire or explosion.

Screen indicators



Upper left

Indicator	Meaning
	100% Remaining battery
1080/60i	/ SET (45), REC FORMAT (44)
	WIDE REC (90)
	Image size
	Optical zoom
×1.5	Digital zoom

Center

Indicator	Meaning
	AE/AF lock
	Vibration warning
	Recording media
REC STBY	Recording status (33)
	Warning (115)
	Playback indicator (63)
	Processing


Upper right

Indicator	Meaning
Omin	Estimated remaining recording time
	Recording/playback media

Indicator	Meaning
00:00:00:00	Time code (hour:minute:second:frame)
	Movie still image capture display
>9999	Number of recordable still images
	Playback folder of memory card

Bottom

Indicator	Meaning
	GPS triangulating status (59)
	Face detection [ON]
ISO800	ISO
PEAKING	PEAKING (94)
	ZEBRA (94)
	STEADYSHOT (88)
	Manual focus (39)
	Picture profile (53)
F3.5	Iris (45)
9dB	Gain (46)
100 180°	Shutter speed (47)
	Manual volume control (53)
LPCM	AUDIO FORMAT (92)
-2.0EV	AE SHIFT (87)
	Auto setting (96)
	White balance (49)
	HISTOGRAM (94)
	Flash (88)
	Flash Level (89)

Indicator	Meaning
	Red Eye Reduction (89)

Tips

- Indicators may look different or appear at different positions.

Data code during recording

The recording date, time and condition are recorded automatically on the recording media. They are not displayed while recording. However, you can check them by pressing the DATA CODE button (p. 68).

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




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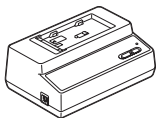
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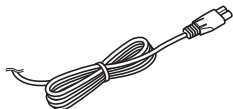
Make sure that you have following items supplied with your camcorder. The number in the parentheses indicates the number of that item supplied. Memory cards are sold separately.

All models

AC Adaptor/Charger (AC-VL1) (1) (p. 19)



Power cord (mains lead) (2) (p. 19)



Rechargeable battery pack (NP-F770) (1) (p. 19, 123)

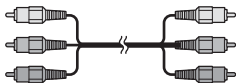


Wireless Remote Commander (RMT-845) (1) (p. 11)



A button-type lithium battery is already installed.

A/V connecting cable (1) (p. 70, 106)



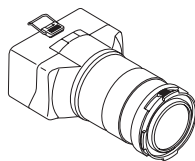
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USB Adaptor Cable (1) (p. 104)



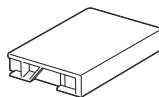
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Large eyecup (1) (p. 30)

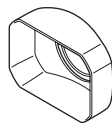


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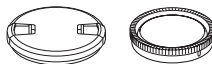


Attached to camcorder, as shipped from factory.

Lens hood (1) (p. 24)



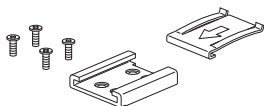
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Body cap (attached to the camcorder) (1) (p. 22)



Accessory shoe kit (Accessory shoe (1),
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Connecting cord (DK-415) (1) (p. 21)

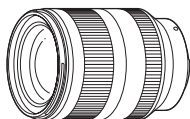
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High-magnification zoom lens (E 18-
200mm F3.5-6.3 OSS) (1) (p. 22)

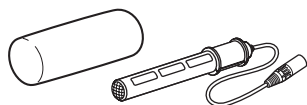


NEX-EA50UH/EA50EH/EA50H only

High-magnification power zoom lens (E PZ
18-200mm F3.5-6.3 OSS) (1)

For details, refer to the accompanying instruction
manuals.

Wind Screen (1), Microphone (ECM-XM1)
(1) (p. 51)

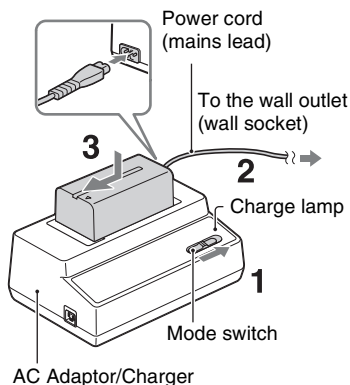


Step 2: Charging the battery pack

You can charge the "InfoLITHIUM"
battery pack (L series) with the supplied
Charger.

Notes

- You can use a large capacity battery pack, NP-F770 (supplied) or NP-F970 (sold separately), with your camcorder. You cannot use NP-F570.



1 Set the mode switch to **CHARGE**.

2 Connect the power cord (mains lead) to the AC Adaptor/Charger and the wall outlet (wall socket).

3 Place the battery pack in the slot of the AC Adaptor/Charger, press it down, and slide it in the direction of the arrow.

The charge lamp turns on and charging starts.

Step 2: Charging the battery pack (Continued)

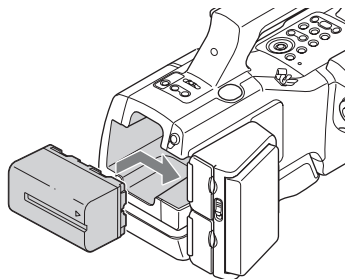
After charging the battery

The charge lamp turns off (normal charge). If you continue charging 1 more hour after the charge lamp turns off, you can use the battery a little longer (full charge).

Remove the battery pack from the AC Adaptor/Charger when the charge is completed.

To attach the battery pack

Press the battery pack against the back of your camcorder and slide it in the direction of the arrow.

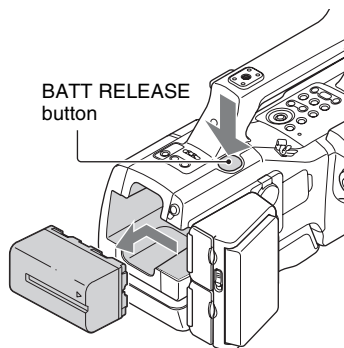


Tips

- You can check the remaining battery life with the status check function (p. 69).

To remove the battery pack

Slide the POWER switch to OFF. Push the BATT RELEASE (battery release) button and slide the battery pack in the direction of the arrow.



To store the battery pack

If the battery pack is not in use for a while, run down the battery and store it (p. 124).

Charging time

Approximate time (minute) required when you charge a fully discharged battery pack.

Battery pack	Normal charge time	Full charge time
NP-F770	250	310
NP-F970	365	425

Notes

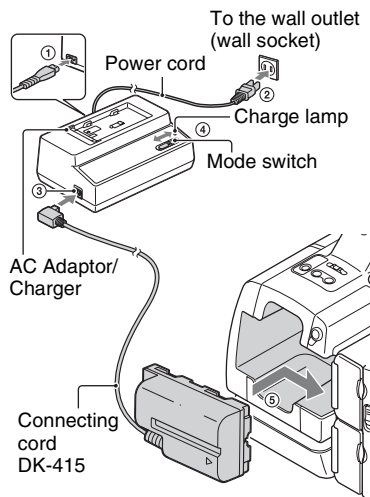
- The supplied battery pack is NP-F770.
- You cannot use the NP-F570 battery pack with your camcorder.

On the battery pack

- Before changing the battery pack, slide the POWER switch to OFF.
- The Battery Info (p. 69) will not be correctly displayed under the following conditions.
 - The battery pack is not attached correctly.
 - The battery pack is damaged.
 - The battery pack is worn-out.

Using an outside power source

By using the AC Adaptor/Charger and the connecting cord DK-415 (supplied), you can use the camcorder on AC power, without worrying about running out of power.



- ① Connect the power cord (mains lead) to the AC Adaptor/Charger.
- ② Connect the power cord (mains lead) to the wall outlet (wall socket).
- ③ Connect the connecting cord (DK-415) to the AC Adaptor/Charger.
- ④ Set the mode switch of the AC Adaptor/Charger to VCR/CAMERA.
- ⑤ Press the connecting part of the connecting cord (DK-415) against the back of your camcorder in the battery slot and slide it in the direction of the arrow.

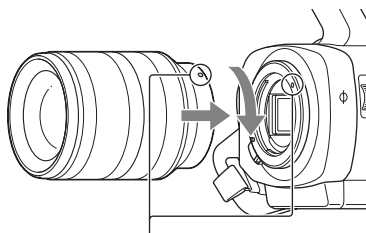
On the AC Adaptor/Charger

- Use the nearby wall outlet (wall socket) when using the AC Adaptor/Charger. Disconnect the AC Adaptor/Charger from the wall outlet (wall socket) immediately if any malfunction occurs while using your camcorder.
- Do not use the AC Adaptor/Charger placed in a narrow space, such as between a wall and furniture.
- Do not short-circuit the DC plug of the AC Adaptor/Charger or battery terminal with any metallic objects. This may cause a malfunction.

Step 3: Attaching the lens

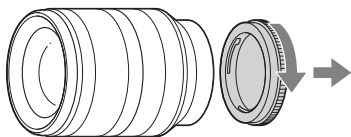
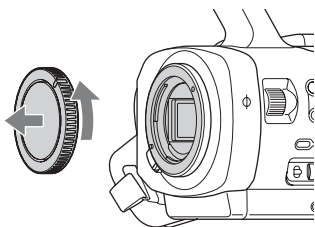
This manual explains how to attach a lens using the E 18-200mm F3.5-6.3 OSS lens that comes with NEX-EA50UK/EA50EK/EA50K.

When using a different lens, refer to the instruction manual of that lens. Hold the camcorder body with the front end downward, and quickly change the lens somewhere away from dusty locations so as to keep dust or debris from getting inside the camcorder body.



Mounting indexes (white)

- 1 Remove the body cap from the camcorder body and the rear lens cap from the lens.**



- 2 Mount the lens by aligning the mounting indexes (white) on the lens and the camcorder body. While pushing the lens lightly toward the camcorder body, turn the lens clockwise.**

The lens is mounted when it clicks into the locked position.

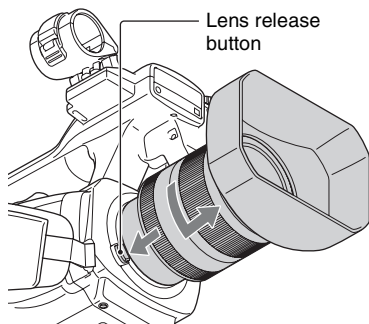
Notes

- When attaching a lens, do not press the lens release button.
- Attach the lens to the camcorder squarely, without excessive force. Mounting the lens forcibly may result in a malfunction or damage of the lens mount.
- There may be a gap between the lens and the lens mount, depending on the lens attached. This is normal.

Removing the lens

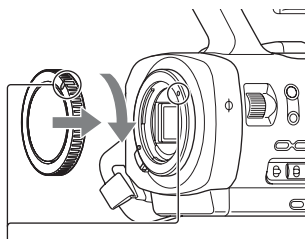
1 While pressing the lens release button all the way in, turn the lens counterclockwise until it stops.

When you remove the lens, make sure that you hold both of the lens and the camcorder body.



2 Replace the rear lens cap on the lens and attach the body cap to the camcorder body.

Align the mark on the body cap to the mounting index, and turn the cap clockwise.



Align the marks.

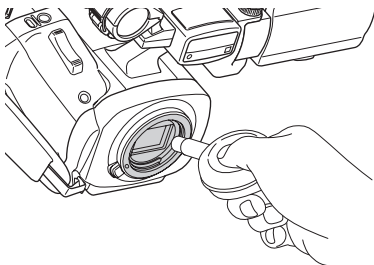
Before you attach caps, remove dust from them.

Notes

- When changing the lens, if dust or debris adheres to the glass surface of the mount, it may appear on the image, depending on the shooting conditions. The glass surface of the mount has an anti-dust coating, to prevent dust from adhering to the image sensor. However, attach or remove the lens quickly somewhere away from dusty locations.
- Do not leave the camcorder body with the lens and body cap removed.

If dust or debris adheres on the glass surface of the mount

Turn off the camcorder and detach the lens. Clean the glass surface of the mount and the surrounding area using a blower (sold separately), and then reattach the lens.



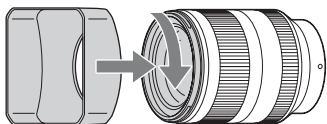
Notes

- Do not use a spray blower because it may scatter water droplets inside the camcorder body.
- Hold the camcorder's face downward to prevent the dust from resettling in the camcorder.
- If you cannot clean the glass surface of the mount by the above procedure, consult your Sony dealer or local authorized Sony service facility.

Step 3: Attaching the lens (Continued)

To attach the lens hood

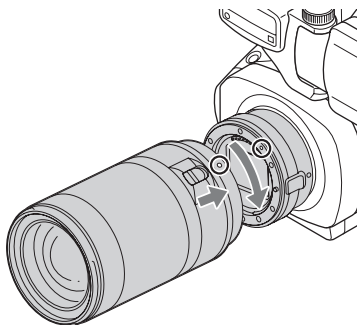
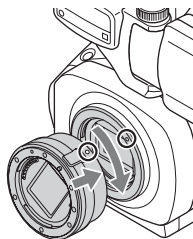
Align the red line of the lens hood to that of the lens and mount the lens hood on the lens. Turn the lens hood clockwise until the red dot of the lens hood and the red line of the lens align with a click.



The lens hood cannot be attached to the lens backwards.

Mount adaptor

Using a mount adaptor (sold separately), you can attach an A-mount lens (sold separately) to your camcorder. For details, refer to the operating instructions supplied with the mount adaptor.



The available functions differ depending on the mount adaptor type.

LA-EA1

Functions	
Autofocus	Available in photo mode with SAM/SSM lens only*
AF system	Contrast AF
AF/MF Select	Switchable on the lens

LA-EA2

Functions	
Autofocus	Movie: Continuous Photo: Single
AF system	Phase-detection AF
AF/MF Select	SAM: switchable on the lens SSM: must be switched on the lens and with the FOCUS switch of the camcorder Other lenses: switchable with the FOCUS switch of the camcorder

* With LA-EA1, autofocus speed with an A-mount lens attached will be slower compared to an E-mount lens. (When an A-mount lens is attached, the autofocus speed will be about 2 seconds to 7 seconds, when shooting under Sony measurement condition. The speed may vary depending on the subject, ambient light, etc.)

Operations when using LA-EA2

- Aperture is set to F3.5 when you record movies with autofocus. When you are using a lens with an F3.5 or smaller F-stop, aperture is set to the maximum F-stop of the lens. When you want to set your own value for aperture, select manual focusing. Adjusting the aperture during recording may cause the noise or turn the LCD screen brighter.
- The iris will not adjust automatically in movie mode.

Notes

- Some lenses may not be usable or may have limited functionality. Check the dedicated support web site or consult your local authorized Sony service facility on compatible lenses.
- The sound of the lens and the camcorder in operation may be recorded during movie recording. You can avoid this by recording without the microphone, or by setting the CH1 (AUTO/MAN) switch or CH2 (AUTO/MAN) switch to MAN and the AUDIO LEVEL dial to 0 (p. 51).

- It may take a long time or may be difficult for the camcorder to focus, depending on the lens used or the subject.

AF area display

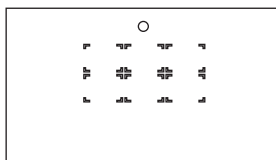
When using an A-mount lens with a mount adaptor, the camcorder displays in-focus frames.

Autofocusing: The frame of the area that is in focus turns green.

Manual focusing: The frame of the area that is in focus turns green. This can assist focusing.

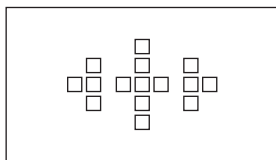
When using the LA-EA1 (only in photo mode)

Displays only when autofocusing

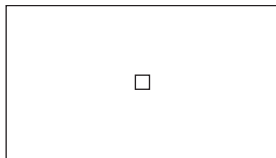


When using the LA-EA2

Autofocusing



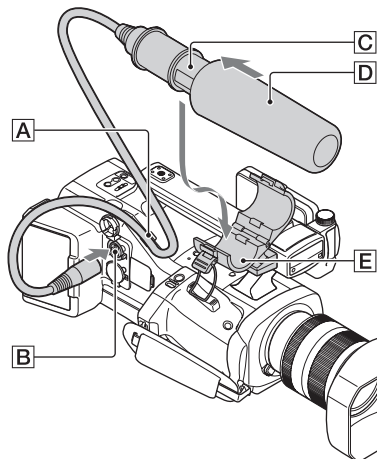
Manual focusing/Using reflex lens



Step 4: Attaching the microphone

Attaching the microphone (NEX-EA50UH/EA50EH/EA50H only)

Attach the microphone to the handle.



1 Attach the wind screen **D** to the supplied microphone **C**.

2 Place the microphone **C** in the microphone holder **E** with the model name facing upward, close the cover, and shut the clamp.

3 Connect the plug of the microphone to the INPUT 1 jack **B**.

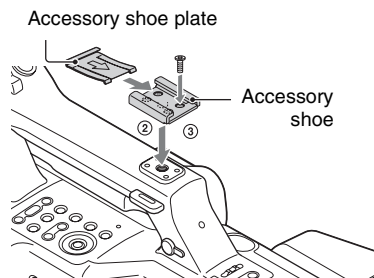
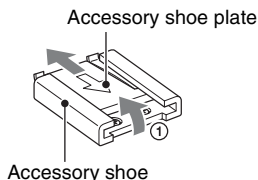
Put the microphone cable into the cable clamp **A**.

Using the accessory shoe

When attaching an accessory other than the handle, attach the accessory shoe plate to the accessory shoe.

To mount the accessory shoe

Mount the accessory shoe on the accessory shoe mount as illustrated.



1 Lift the edge of the accessory shoe plate and pull it in the direction opposite to that of the arrow on the accessory shoe plate and remove it from the accessory shoe.

2 Place the accessory shoe as its protrusions matches recesses of the accessory shoe mount, then fix it to the mount with four screws.

3 Insert the accessory shoe plate in the direction of the arrow on the plate surface until the end of the plate engages the end of the shoe.

Step 5: Turning on the camcorder and setting the date and time

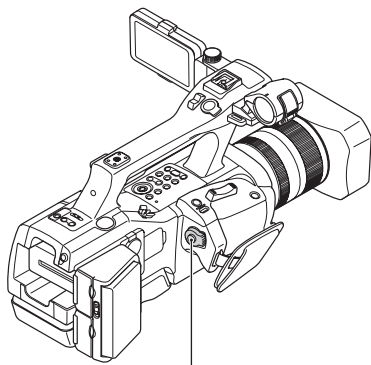
To remove the accessory shoe

Remove the shoe plate in the same way as step ① of “To mount the accessory shoe.” Loosen the 4 screws and remove the accessory shoe from the accessory shoe mount.

Turning on the camcorder

Slide the **POWER** switch to **ON** while pressing the green button.

When you use your camcorder for the first time, the [CLOCK SET] screen appears.



Press and hold the green button.



To turn off the power

Slide the **POWER** switch to **OFF**.

Notes

- If warning messages appear on the LCD screen, follow the instructions.

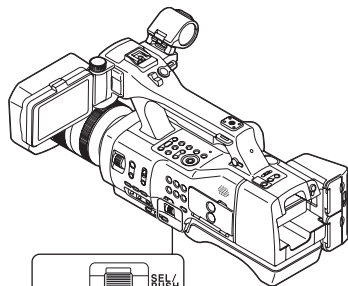
Step 5: Turning on the camcorder and setting the date and time (Continued)

Setting the date and time

Set the date and time when you use your camcorder for the first time.

💡 Tips


- If you do not use your camcorder for **about 3 months**, the built-in rechargeable battery gets discharged and the date and time settings may be cleared from the memory. In that case, charge the rechargeable battery and then set the date and time again (p. 127).



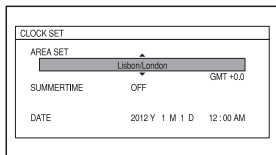
MENU button

SEL/PUSH EXEC dial

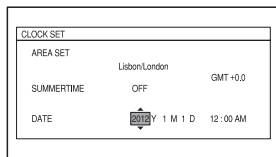
When you set the date and time again, press the MENU button, and select

 (OTHERS) → [CLOCK SET].

- 1 Select your area by turning the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial, then press the dial.



- 2 Set [SUMMERTIME], [Y] (year), [M] (month), [D] (day), hour and minute, by turning the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial, then press the dial.




The clock starts.

- Set [SUMMERTIME] to [ON] to move the time forward 1 hour.
- You can set any year up to the year 2037.
- Midnight is indicated as 12:00 AM, and noon as 12:00 PM.

💡 Tips

- The date and time are automatically recorded on the selected recording media, and can be displayed during playback (DATA CODE button, p. 68).
- Once the clock is set, the clock time is automatically adjusted with [AUTO CLOCK ADJ] (p. 101) and [AUTO AREA ADJ] (p. 101) set to [ON]. The clock may not be adjusted to the correct time automatically, depending on the country/region selected for your camcorder. In this case, set [AUTO CLOCK ADJ] and [AUTO AREA ADJ] to [OFF].

Changing the language setting


You can change the on-screen displays to show messages in a specified language. Press the MENU button and select  (OTHERS) with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial. Select the screen language in [LANGUAGE] (p. 100).

Setting [60i/50i SEL]

In the default setting, [60i/50i SEL] is set as follows:

NEX-EA50UK/EA50UH: [60i]

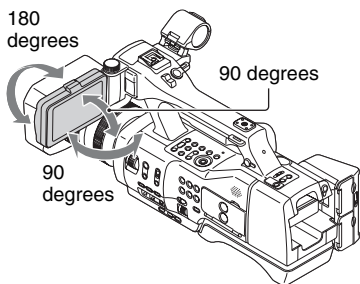
NEX-EA50EK/EA50EH/EA50K/EA50H:
[50i]

To change the setting, press the MENU button and select  (OTHERS) → [60i/50i SEL] with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial (p. 102).

Step 6: Adjusting the LCD screen

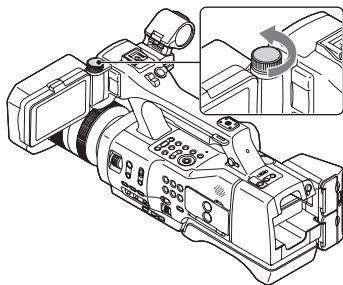
Using the LCD screen

The LCD screen can be rotated in the range as illustrated below, allowing a person other than the camera operator to see the image.



To set and hold the LCD screen angle

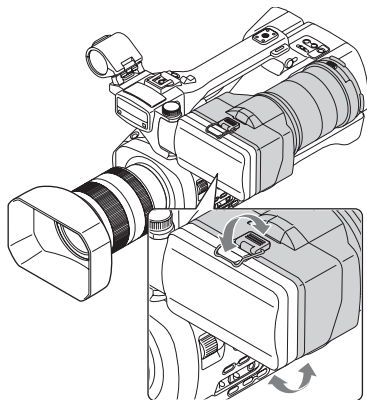
Turn the LCD TILT HOLD dial, and set. Turn the LCD TILT HOLD dial in the opposite direction to loosen when you change the angle.



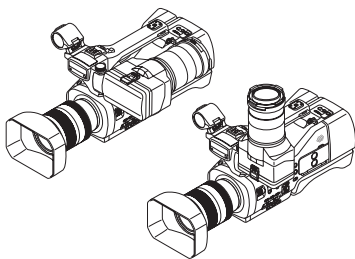
Step 6: Adjusting the LCD screen (Continued)

Using the LCD screen with the large LCD viewfinder attached

You can use the LCD screen as a viewfinder by attaching the large LCD viewfinder to the LCD screen.

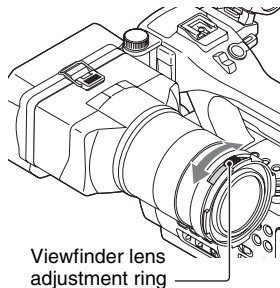


Using the viewfinder with different recording styles



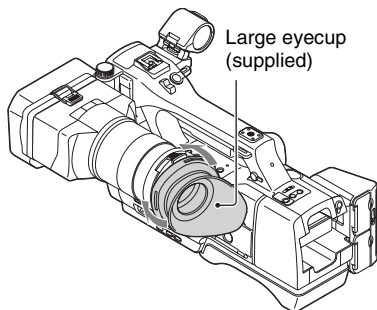
Adjusting the viewfinder lens

Turn the viewfinder lens adjustment ring so that you can see the image in the viewfinder clearly.



When the picture in the viewfinder is hard to see

If you cannot see the picture in the viewfinder clearly under bright circumstances, use the supplied large eyecup. To attach the large eyecup, stretch it slightly and align it with the groove in the large LCD viewfinder. You can attach the large eyecup facing either the right or left side.



💡 Tips

- If you are farsighted and have a trouble seeing images in the viewfinder, you can attach a 52 mm close-up lens (sold separately) to the viewfinder lens adjustment ring.

Step 7: Preparing the recording media

Memory card

Types of memory cards you can use in your camcorder

	Capacity (operation verified)
“Memory Stick PRO Duo” media (Mark2)*1	32 GB
“Memory Stick PRO-HG Duo” media*1	
“Memory Stick XC-HG Duo” media*1	64 GB
SD memory card*2	
SDHC memory card*2	
SDXC memory card*2	

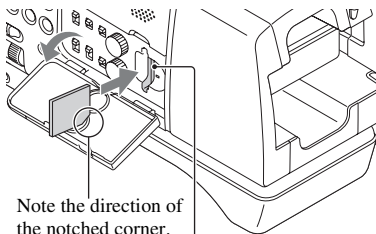
*1 Described as “Memory Stick PRO Duo” media in this manual.

*2 Described as SD card in this manual.

Notes

- Operation with all memory cards is not assured.
- “Memory Stick PRO Duo” media, half the size of “Memory Stick” media, or standard size SD cards can be used for this camcorder.
- Use an SD card of Class 4 or faster.
- Do not attach a label or the like on memory card or memory card adaptor. Doing so may cause a malfunction.
- See page 117 for the recordable time of memory cards.
- A MultiMedia Card cannot be used with this camcorder.
- Movies recorded on “Memory Stick XC-HG Duo” media or SDXC memory cards can be imported to or played back on other equipment, such as a computer or A/V device, by connecting the camcorder to the equipment with the USB cable. However, the equipment must support the exFAT file system used for “Memory Stick XC-HG Duo” media and SDXC memory cards. Confirm in advance that the connecting equipment is supporting the exFAT file system. If you connect equipment not supporting the exFAT file system and the format screen appears, do not perform the format. All the data recorded will be lost.

Open the cover, and insert the memory card with the notched edge in the direction as illustrated until it clicks.



Note the direction of the notched corner.

Memory card slot

- If you insert a memory card into the slot in the wrong direction, the memory card, the memory card slot, or image data may be damaged.

To eject the memory card

Lightly push the memory card once.

Notes

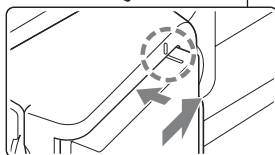
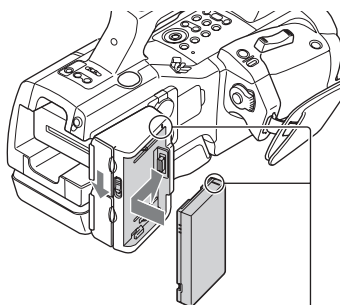
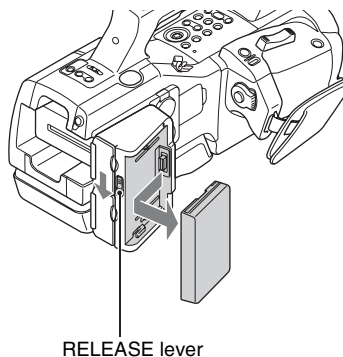
- If [The image database file is corrupted. The media must be restored to use again.] appears, format the memory card (p. 78).
- When inserting or ejecting the memory card, be careful of the memory card popping out and dropping.

Step 7: Preparing the recording media (Continued)

Flash memory unit

You can attach a flash memory unit HXR-FMU128 (sold separately) to your camcorder for recording movies.

- 1** While sliding the **RELEASE** lever in the direction of the arrow, remove the flash memory unit jack cover.



- 2** Align the mark on the camcorder and that on the flash memory unit, and slide the flash memory unit in the direction of the arrow.

To remove the flash memory unit

Turn off the power, then while sliding the **RELEASE** lever, remove the flash memory unit in the direction of the arrow shown in step 1.

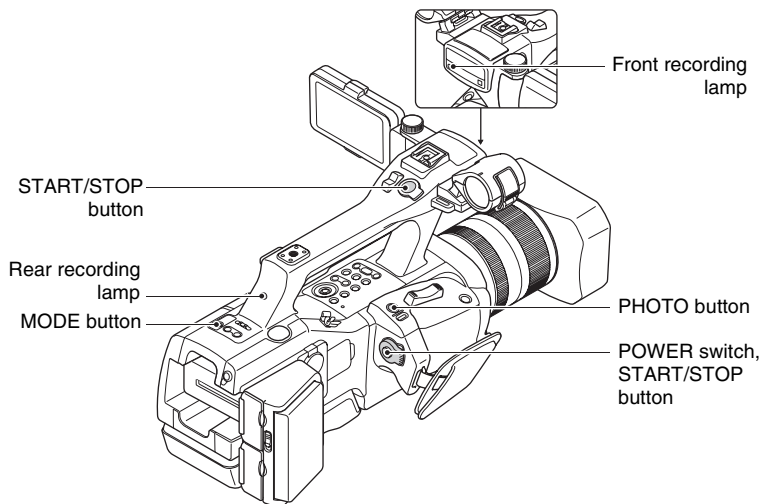
When you do not use a flash memory unit

Leave the flash memory unit jack cover attached.

Tips

- Your camcorder does not have the relay recording function. If the memory card is fully recorded during recording, the camcorder stops recording automatically.
- You can record movies on both of the memory card and the flash memory unit simultaneously (p. 34).

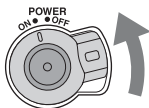
Recording



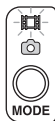
Recording movies

Your camcorder records movies on a memory card and/or a flash memory unit. The factory setting of recording movies is high definition image quality (HD). Do the following steps to record movies.

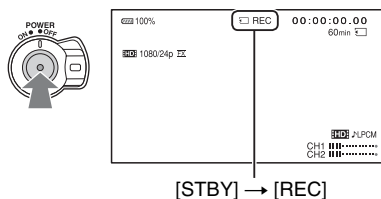
- 1 Slide the POWER switch to ON while pressing the green button.



- 2 Make sure that the  (Movie) lamp is lit.



3 Press the START/STOP button.



The recording lamps light up during recording.

To stop the movie recording, press the START/STOP button again.

Notes

- When the access lamp is lit or flashing in red, your camcorder is reading or writing data on recording media. Do not shake or apply strong force to your camcorder, do not turn the power off, and do not remove the recording media, battery pack or the AC Adaptor/Charger. The image data may be destroyed.
- See page 117 on the recording time of movies.
- Your camcorder can record a movie for about 13 hours continuously.
- If a movie file exceeds 2 GB during recording, the camcorder divides the file and create a new file automatically.
- The menu settings, the PICTURE PROFILE settings, and the settings made by the AUTO/MANUAL switch are stored in your camcorder when you slide the POWER switch to OFF. The access lamp lights up while the settings are being stored. If you remove the battery pack or the AC Adaptor/Charger before turning off the power, the settings may return to the default settings.

Tips

- When recording in high definition image quality (HD), the aspect ratio is fixed to 16:9. When recording in standard definition image quality (SD), you can switch the aspect ratio to 4:3 ([**SD**] WIDE REC), p. 90).
- You can change the screen display during recording (p. 68).
- Indicators displayed on the LCD screen during recording are shown on page 12.
- The recording lamps can be set to stay off ([REC LAMP[F]], [REC LAMP[R]], p. 102).
- You can capture still images from the movies you recorded (p. 77).

To record movies using both the memory card and the flash memory unit (Simultaneous recording)

You can record movies on both of these recording media simultaneously.



Press MENU → select **REC/OUT SET** → [REC SET] → [**HD**] SIMULTANEOUS REC → [ON] (default setting) with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.

Tips

- Set [**HD**]/[**SD**] SET to [**HD**] (p. 45) for the simultaneous recording.
- If one of the recording media is unable to continue recording during simultaneous recording, the other recording media continues recording without pause.

- When [HD] SIMULTANEOUS REC is [ON], movies are recorded on both media, irrespective of the [MEDIA SELECT] setting.


To record movies only on the memory card or the flash memory unit

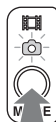
- ① Press MENU → select  (REC/OUT SET) → [REC SET] → [HD] SIMULTANEOUS REC → [OFF] with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.
- ② Select  (REC/OUT SET) → [MEDIA SELECT] → [MEMORY CARD] or [FMU] (flash memory unit).

Tips

- A message appears if an access error occurred while the camcorder was accessing the recording media.

Recording still images

- 1 Press the MODE button to turn on the  (Photo) lamp.




- 2 Press the PHOTO button lightly to adjust the focus, then press it fully.




Focus indicator when autofocusing

The focus indicator shows the focusing status by lighting/flashing.

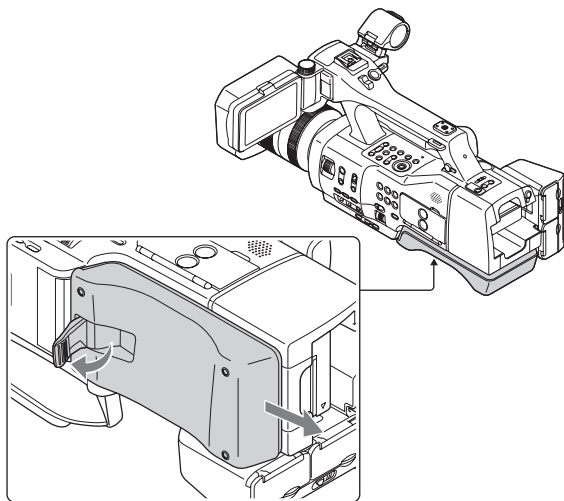
- lit  : Focus locked.
- flashing: The camcorder cannot focus on the subject automatically. Either recompose the shot or change the focus setting.

Tips

- You cannot record still images while  (Movie) lamp is lit.
- See page 118 on the expected number of recordable photos.

Recording using the shoulder mount

You can keep the correct supporting position during recording, and reduce camera shake by using the shoulder mount.

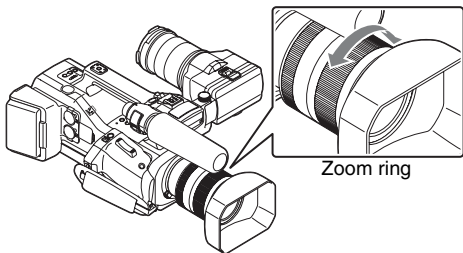


⚡ Notes

- When pulling out the shoulder mount, hold the shoulder mount itself.
Do not pull out the shoulder mount while holding the shoulder mount lock lever.

Adjusting the zoom by the zoom ring

If the lens has a zoom ring, you can adjust the magnification by turning it to the right or left. Magnification setting by the zoom ring can only be performed within the optical range of the lens. For details, refer to the operating instructions supplied with the lens.



⚡ Notes

- Do not grab or apply a strong force to the lens cylinder that rolls out when zooming. The lens may be damaged.
- You may need to set a switch on the lens to MANUAL, depending on the lens you are using.

Adjusting the zoom with the zoom lever

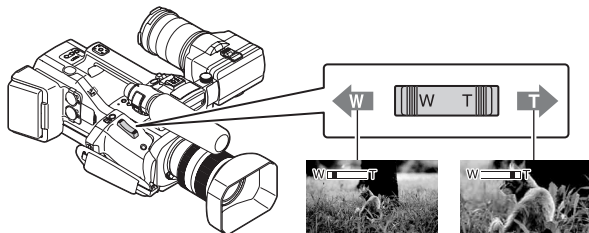
Adjust the magnification with the zoom lever.

Move the zoom lever slightly for a slower zoom. Move it further for a faster zoom.

Optical power zoom

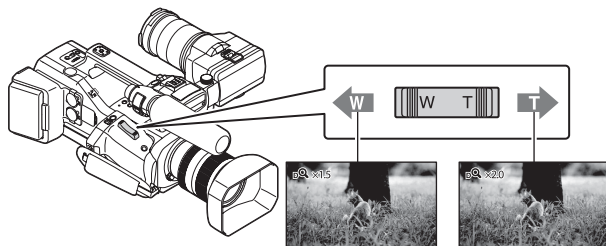
You can enlarge the image without deterioration.

A compatible optical power zoom lens is required.



Digital zoom

Due to digital processing, the image quality will deteriorate.



Notes

- Do not remove your finger from the zoom lever suddenly. The noise of the zoom lever may be recorded.

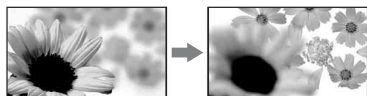
Tips

- The digital zoom and the optical zoom can be used together.
- When [ZOOM LEVER] (p. 87) is set to a setting other than [DIGITAL ZOOM], digital zoom magnification will be retained.

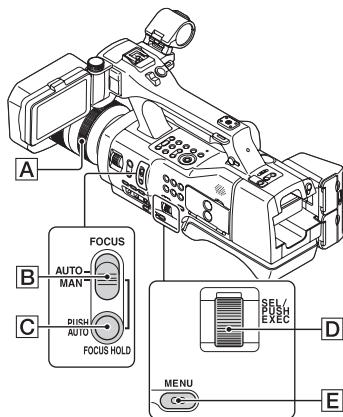
Adjusting the focus

You can adjust the focus manually for different recording conditions. Use this function in the following cases.

- To record a subject behind a window covered with raindrops.
- To record horizontal stripes.
- To record a subject with little contrast between the subject and its background.
- When you want to focus on a subject in the background.



- To record a stationary subject using a tripod.



Notes

- The following functions and buttons may not be available, depending on the combination of the mount adaptor (sold separately) and A-mount lens (sold separately).
 - FOCUS HOLD/PUSH AUTO button **C**
 - FOCUS switch **B** at the AUTO position

1 During recording or standby, set the FOCUS switch **B** to MAN.

appears.

2 Rotate the focusing ring **A** and adjust the focus.

changes to when the focus cannot be adjusted any farther. changes to when the focus cannot be adjusted any closer.

To restore automatic adjustment

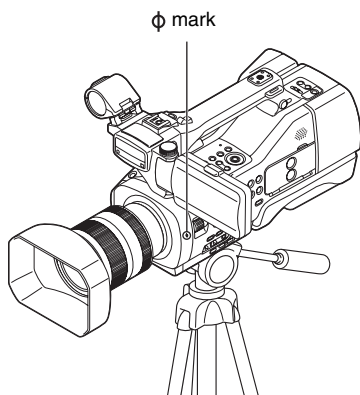
Set the FOCUS switch **B** to AUTO. disappears and the automatic focus adjustment is restored.

💡 Tips

- The focal length information (the distance at which the subject is in focus; for when it is dark and hard to adjust the focus) appears for about 3 seconds in the following cases.
 - When you set the FOCUS switch **B** to MAN and appears on the LCD screen.
 - When you rotate the focusing ring **A** while is displayed on the LCD screen.
- You can switch the focal length information between meters and feet ([FOCUS DISPLAY], p. 96).

Adjusting the focus (Continued)

To measure the precise recording distance



The φ mark is on a plane with the image sensor. To measure the precise distance between the camcorder and the subject, use this mark as a reference.

Notes

- You cannot focus on a subject closer to the lens than the minimum focus of the lens used. Make sure you are not too close to the subject.

Using automatic focus/fixed focus temporarily (Push auto focus/Focus hold)

Push auto focus

Set the FOCUS switch [B] to MAN, then press and hold the FOCUS HOLD/PUSH AUTO button [C]. The image is shot with automatic focus. Keep the button pressed to shoot. If you release the button, the setting returns to manual focusing.

Focus hold

Set the FOCUS switch [B] to AUTO, then press and hold the FOCUS HOLD/PUSH AUTO button [C]. The image is shot with the focus fixed at the point you start to press the FOCUS HOLD/PUSH AUTO button. Keep the button pressed to shoot. If you release the button, the setting returns to auto focusing.

Notes

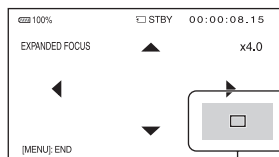
- If the lens has the same function button as your camcorder, the function on the lens works the same as your camcorder. For example, when focus hold is active on your camcorder, the button on the lens functions as focus hold.

Using the expanded focus (Expanded focus)

The selected area on the LCD screen is magnified and displayed. It is easier to confirm the focus setting during manual focusing.

Press the EXPANDED FOCUS button on the grip (p. 7).

The setting changes with each press of the button.



Enlarged display position

You can adjust the enlarged display position with the $\uparrow/\downarrow/\leftarrow/\rightarrow$ button on the camcorder. Press the EXEC button to set the enlarged display position back to the center.

Notes

- Even though the image appears expanded on the LCD screen, the recorded image is not expanded.


Tips

- You can change the magnification ratio with [EXPANDED FOCUS MAG] (p. 95).
- You can assign this function to an ASSIGN button (p. 61).

Focusing by touching the LCD screen (Spot focus)

You can focus on the point where you touch on the LCD screen.

1 Press the MENU button [E].

2 Select  (CAMERA SET) → [SPOT FOCUS] with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial [D].

3 Touch the point to be focused on the LCD screen.

Notes

- [SPOT FOCUS] is available only when the FOCUS switch [B] is set to MAN.

Tips

- You can assign this function to an ASSIGN button (p. 61).

To cancel the spot focus

Press the MENU button [E].

Focusing on a detected face (Face detection)

The camcorder detects the face and focuses on it (The default setting is [OFF]). You can use this function when the FOCUS switch [B] is set to AUTO.

1 Press the MENU button [E].

2 Select  (CAMERA SET) → [FACE DETECTION] → [ON] or [OFF] with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial [D].

When the faces are detected, frames appear on the LCD screen.

3 Move the selection cursor (orange colored frame), and select the priority face with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial [D], then press the dial.

Selection cursor
(orange colored frame)



Priority face frame
(double frame)

The frame on the priority face changes to a double frame.

To cancel face detection

Move the selection cursor (orange colored frame) onto the frame (double frame) on the priority face, using the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial **[D]**, then press the dial.

🔊 Notes

- Faces may not be detected depending on the recording environment, the condition of the subject or the settings.
- You may not be able to get the proper effect in some recording environments. If this happens, set [FACE DETECTION] to [OFF].
- The face detection function will be canceled when you use the digital zoom.

💡 Tips

- You can assign this function to an ASSIGN button (p. 61).
- To make it easy to detect faces, record under the following conditions:
 - Record in a moderately bright place
 - Do not obscure the face with a hat, mask, sunglasses, etc.
 - Face the front of the camera
- When [FACE DETECTION] is set to [ON], you cannot adjust shutter speed, etc. To adjust shutter speed, etc., set [FACE DETECTION] to [OFF] temporarily by setting the FOCUS switch **[B]** to MAN.

Using focus transition

When you record movies using an E-mount lens, you can register focal positions in advance, and shift focus smoothly (focus transition) between positions.

For example, you can gradually shift the focus from foreground to background. To prevent camera shake or transition lag between positions, a tripod is recommended.

1 Assign [FOCUS TRANSITION] to an ASSIGN button (p. 61).

Focus transition is assigned to the ASSIGN 4/5/6 buttons at the same time.

The screen changes in the order STORE → CHECK → EXEC → cancel with each press of the ASSIGN 4 button.

2 Register the focal position.

- ① Press the ASSIGN 4 button repeatedly to show the [STORE] screen.
 - ② Adjust the focal position manually.
 - ③ Press the ASSIGN 5 button to register on FOCUS-A, or press the ASSIGN 6 button to register on FOCUS-B.
- During registration and confirmation, the icon of the target focal position flashes. You cannot operate your camcorder when this is flashing.

3 Confirm the registered focal position.

- ① Press the ASSIGN 4 button repeatedly to show the [CHECK] screen.
 - ② Press the ASSIGN 5 button to confirm the setting on FOCUS-A, and press the ASSIGN 6 button to confirm the setting on FOCUS-B. The focal position moves to the position registered in step 2.
- The focus does not shift with the setting made on [TRANSITION TIME] (p. 88) on the confirmation screen.

4 Record with focus transition.

- ① Press the ASSIGN 4 button repeatedly to show the [EXEC] screen.
- ② Press the START/STOP button.
- ③ Press the ASSIGN 5 button to record with FOCUS-A, and press the ASSIGN 6 button to record with FOCUS-B. The focus shifts from the current position to the registered position.

- You can change the transition time to FOCUS-A, or to FOCUS-B ([TRANSITION TIME], p. 88).
- You can set the time to start the transition after pressing the ASSIGN 5 button or the ASSIGN 6 button ([START TIMER], p. 88).
- You can link the time you press the START/STOP button with the time to start recording ([REC LINK], p. 88).

To cancel the focus transition

Press the ASSIGN 4 button repeatedly to cancel, or press the MENU button [E].

Notes

- If you perform focus transition from an arbitrary focal position, it is not possible to return the focus to that position from FOCUS-A or FOCUS-B.
- If you press any of the following buttons or perform any of the following operations during focus transition, focus transition is cancelled.
 - MENU button
 - VISUAL INDEX button
 - EXPANDED FOCUS button
 - Any of the ASSIGN button assigned [LAST SCENE REVIEW], [VISUAL INDEX], [SPOT FOCUS] or [EXPANDED FOCUS].
 - Remove the lens.
 - Zoom the optical lens.

- If you perform any of the following operations, registered focal positions on FOCUS-A and FOCUS-B are reset.
 - Set the POWER switch to OFF.
 - Remove the lens.
 - Zoom the optical lens.

Tips

- You can shift the focus from FOCUS-A to FOCUS-B-registered positions, or vice versa. For example, to shift from FOCUS-A to FOCUS-B-registered positions, press the ASSIGN 5 button on the confirmation screen to set to FOCUS-A, then press the ASSIGN 6 button on the execution screen.
- If you press the ASSIGN 5 button or the ASSIGN 6 button before pressing the START/STOP button in step 4, you can rehearse the focus transition.

Changing the recording setting/image size

Selecting the recording format for high definition image quality (HD)

You can select the recording format (bit-rate, image size, frame rate, scanning system). The default setting is as follows:
NEX-EA50UK/EA50UH: 1080/24p
NEX-EA50EK/EA50K/EA50EH/EA50H:
 1080/25p

1 Press the MENU button.

2 Select (REC/OUT SET) → [REC SET] → [REC FORMAT] → a desired format with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.

Setting value

60i	50i
1080/24p FX	-
1080/24p FH	-
1080/30p FX	1080/25p FX
1080/30p FH	1080/25p FH
1080/60p PS	1080/50p PS
1080/60i FX	1080/50i FX
1080/60i FH	1080/50i FH
1080/60i HQ	1080/50i HQ
1080/60i LP	1080/50i LP
720/60p FX	720/50p FX
720/60p FH	720/50p FH

- Bit-rate
PS: max. 28 Mbps
FX: max. 24 Mbps
FH: approx. 17 Mbps (average)
HQ: approx. 9 Mbps (average)
LP: approx. 5 Mbps (average)

- Image size
PS: 1,920×1,080
FX: 1,920×1,080/1,280×720
FH: 1,920×1,080/1,280×720
HQ: 1,440×1,080
LP: 1,440×1,080

- Frame rate
Either 60 or 50 or 30 or 25 or 24
- Scanning system
i: interlace
p: progressive

If you select [1080/24p], for example, movies are recorded with following format.

- 1080: Effective scanning lines
- 24: Frame rate
- p: Scanning system
- FX: Recording mode

Frame rate when selecting [60i]

The frame rate displayed on the LCD screen differs from the actual frame rate.

Frame rate on the LCD screen	Actual frame rate
24	23.98
30	29.97
60	59.94

Notes

- The recording mode is fixed to FX or FH with the progressive scanning system.
- Movies recorded with the recording mode set to PS or FX on [REC FORMAT] can be saved on an external media device only (p. 104).

Tips

- The recording format of 480/60i HQ (576/50i HQ) is automatically selected for the standard definition image quality (SD) recording.

Selecting high definition image quality (HD) or standard definition image quality (SD)

You can select the desired image quality from the high definition image quality (HD) or the standard definition image quality (SD) ([**HD**] is the default setting). Change the image quality according to the recording situation or the playback device.

1 Press the MENU button.

2 Select \rightarrow (REC/OUT SET) \rightarrow [REC SET] \rightarrow [**HD**]/[SD] SET \rightarrow [**HD**] or [SD] with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.

Selecting the image size for still images

You can select the image size of the still image. The default setting is [3:2(16.0M)].

1 Press the MENU button.

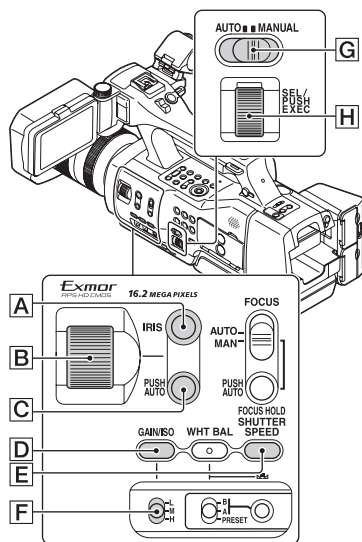
2 Select \rightarrow (REC/OUT SET) \rightarrow [IMAGE SIZE] \rightarrow a desired image size with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.

Setting value

- ▶ 3:2(16.0M), 3:2(8.4M), 3:2(4.0M), 16:9(13.6M), 16:9(7.1M), 16:9(3.4M)

Adjusting the brightness

You can adjust the brightness by controlling the amount of light, etc., using iris, gain, ISO sensitivity or shutter speed.



Notes

- When you set the AUTO/MANUAL switch **G** to AUTO, iris, gain, ISO sensitivity, shutter speed and white balance are adjusted automatically. You cannot adjust any of them manually.

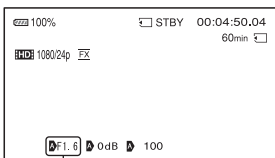
Adjusting the iris

This is handy for making the background blurred or sharp.

1 Set the AUTO/MANUAL switch **G** to MANUAL.

2 Press the IRIS button [A].

[A] next to the iris value disappears.



Iris value

3 Adjust the iris with the iris ring [B].

The volume of the light increases the more that you open the aperture (decreasing F value). The volume of the light decreases the more that you close the aperture (increasing F value).

To temporarily adjust the iris automatically

Hold the IRIS PUSH AUTO button [C] down.

The iris is adjusted automatically for as long as you hold the button down.

To adjust the iris automatically

Press the IRIS button [A].

[A] appears next to the iris value.

Notes

- You can make this adjustment only with an E-mount lens.
- In movie mode when using A-mount lenses (sold separately), you must adjust the iris manually, using the iris ring [B]. However, IRIS PUSH AUTO button [C] is available in the following situations:
 - When using an A-mount lens with the LA-EA2
 - When manually focusing

Tips

- The range of focus, an important effect of the aperture, is called the depth of field. The depth of field gets shallower as the aperture is opened, and deeper as the aperture is closed. Use the aperture creatively to obtain the desired effect in your photography.

Adjusting the gain/ISO sensitivity

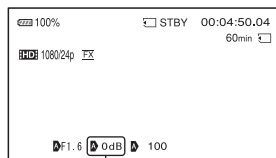
You can use this if you do not want to increase the value by AGC (automatic gain control) or the automatic ISO sensitivity adjustment.

Gain and ISO sensitivity are set separately.

1 Set the AUTO/MANUAL switch [G] to MANUAL.

2 Press the GAIN/ISO button [D].

[A] next to the gain value or ISO value disappears, or the gain value or ISO value appears on the LCD screen.



Gain/ISO value

3 Set the gain switch [F] to H, M or L.

The gain value or ISO value set for the selected gain switch position appears on the LCD screen. You can set the gain value or ISO value for each gain switch position from [GAIN SET] or [ISO SET] of the [CAMERA SET] menu (p. 85).

To adjust the gain automatically

Press the GAIN/ISO button [D]. The gain value or ISO value disappears, or [A] appears next to the gain value or ISO value.

Tips

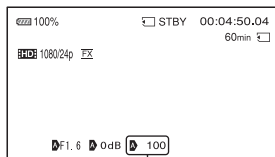
- You can switch the displayed value between gain and ISO sensitivity, with [GAIN/ISO SEL] in movie shooting mode. Note that gain and ISO sensitivity are separately saved with different values (p. 85).

Adjusting the shutter speed

You can adjust and fix the shutter speed manually. You can make a moving subject look still or emphasize the movement of a subject by adjusting the shutter speed.

1 Set the AUTO/MANUAL switch [G] to MANUAL.

2 Press the SHUTTER SPEED button [E] to highlight the shutter speed value.



Shutter speed value

3 Change the shutter speed displayed on the LCD screen by turning the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial [H].

The following shutter speed adjustment ranges are available:

- Movie mode
 - When selecting [60i]: 1/4 - 1/10000 (1/3 - 1/10000 when shooting with 24p)
 - When selecting [50i]: 1/3 - 1/10000
- Photo mode
 - 30 seconds - 1/4000

The denominator of the set shutter speed appears on the LCD screen. For example, [100] appears on the LCD screen when you set the shutter speed to 1/100 second. The larger the value on the LCD screen is, the faster the shutter speed is.

4 Press the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial [H] to lock the shutter speed.

To readjust the shutter speed, repeat steps from 2.


Adjusting the brightness (Continued)


Tips

- It is difficult to focus automatically at a lower shutter speed. Manual focusing with your camcorder attached to a tripod is recommended.
- When recording under fluorescent lamps, sodium lamps, or mercury lamps, the picture may flicker or change colors, or may have horizontal bands of noise. You may be able to improve the situation by adjusting the shutter speed to 1/100 if the power frequency of your area is 50 Hz, or 1/60 in a 60 Hz area.
- You can switch the shutter speed display between seconds and degrees ([SHUTTER DISPLAY], p. 96).

Level	60i/60p/30p	24p	50i/50p/25p
13	725	200	600
14	1000	288	1000
15	1500	400	1250
16	2000	576	1750
17	3000	1200	2500
18	4000	2400	3500
19	6000	4800	6000
20	10000	10000	10000

To adjust the shutter speed automatically

Press the SHUTTER SPEED button  twice.

The shutter speed value disappears, or  appears next to the shutter speed value.

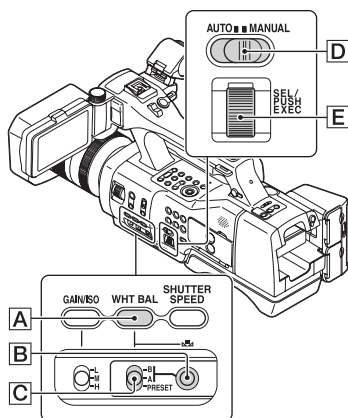
Setting value when switching [60i/50i SEL]

The shutter speed of the same level before changing the [60i/50i SEL] setting is applied. See the following table for the shutter speeds on each level. Shutter speed for still images is not affected.

Level	60i/60p/30p	24p	50i/50p/25p
0	-	3	-
1	4	6	3
2	8	12	6
3	15	24	12
4	30	40	25
5	60	48	50
6	90	50	60
7	100	60	100
8	125	96	120
9	180	100	150
10	250	120	215
11	350	144	300
12	500	192	425

Adjusting the color tone

Adjusting the white balance



You can adjust and fix the white balance according to the lighting conditions of recording environment.

You can store white balance values in memory A (A) and memory B (B), respectively. Unless a white balance is readjusted, values will remain even after the power has been turned off.

When you select PRESET, [OUTDOOR], [INDOOR] or [MANU WB TEMP] is selected, according to which one you previously set with [WB PRESET] in the (CAMERA SET) menu.

Tips

- You can assign [WB PRESET] to an ASSIGN button (p. 61).

1 Set the **AUTO/MANUAL** switch **D** to **MANUAL**.

2 Press the **WHT BAL** button **A**.

3 Set the white balance memory switch **C** to any one of **PRESET/A/B**.

Setting the A/B value

Select A or B for recording with the white balance setting stored in memory A or B.

See page 50 on how to store the adjusted value.

- When using a commercially available ND filter, this adjustment is recommended.




To use the PRESET value of white balance

Select (CAMERA SET) → [WB PRESET] → a desired setting.






Setting value	Example of recording conditions
☀ (outdoor) ([OUTDOOR])	<ul style="list-style-type: none">When recording a night scene, neon lighting, fireworks, etc.When recording a sunrise, sunset, etc.Under daylight fluorescent lamp
☁ (indoor) ([INDOOR])	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Where lighting conditions change, such as at a party place, etc.Under video light, such as in a studio, etc.Under a sodium or mercury lamp
Color temperature setting ([MANU WB TEMP])	<ul style="list-style-type: none">You can set a desired color temperature between 2300K and 15000K with (CAMERA SET) → [WB TEMP SET]. (The default setting is 6500K.)

Adjusting the color tone (Continued)



Tips

- You can change the outdoor white balance setting by setting an offset value. Press  (one push) button **[B]** while  (outdoor) is selected and turn the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial **[E]** to select an offset value from -7 (bluish) to 0 (normal, the default setting) to +7 (reddish). You can also set the white balance offset value from the menu ([WB OUTDOOR LEVEL], p. 87).
- You can change the color temperature. Press the  (one push) button **[B]** when [MANU WB TEMP] is set. Turn the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial **[E]** until the desired temperature appears on the LCD screen, then press the dial to set the temperature ([WB TEMP SET], p. 87).

To save the adjusted white balance value in memory A or B

- ① Set the AUTO/MANUAL switch **[D]** to MANUAL.
- ② Press the WHT BAL button **[A]**.
- ③ Set the white balance memory switch to A ( A) or B ( B).
- ④ Capture a white subject, such as white paper, full-screen in the same lighting condition as the one in which the subject is.
- ⑤ Press the  (one push) button **[B]**. The adjusted value is stored in  A or  B. The stored color temperature appears for about 3 seconds.

Notes

- When a white balance adjustment value has not been obtained successfully,  A or  B turns to slow flashing. Adjust the subject appropriately and set the shutter speed to auto or around 1/60 (1/50), then try adjusting the white balance again.
- It may take a long time to adjust the white balance, depending on the recording conditions. If you want to perform a different operation before completing the adjustment, set the white balance memory switch **[C]** to another position to temporarily suspend white balance adjustment.

To adjust the white balance automatically

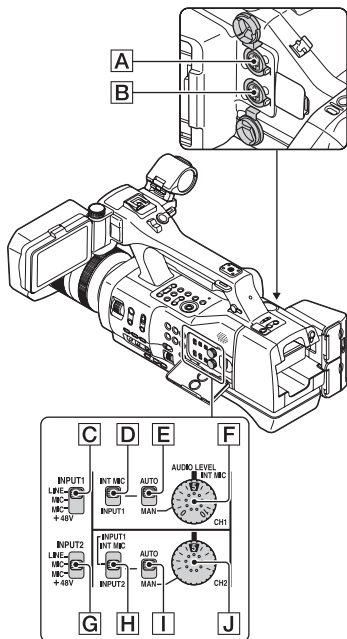
Press the WHT BAL button **[A]**.

Notes

- When you set the AUTO/MANUAL switch **[D]** to AUTO, iris, gain, ISO sensitivity, shutter speed and white balance are adjusted automatically. You cannot adjust manually.

Audio setup

The following jacks, switches and dials allow you to set the sound to be recorded. See page 26 on connecting the microphones.



External audio jacks and switches

- INPUT 1 jack **A**
- INPUT 2 jack **B**
- INPUT 1 switch **C**
- INPUT 2 switch **G**

Audio source switches

- CH1 (INT MIC/INPUT 1) switch **D**
- CH2 (INT MIC/INPUT 1/INPUT 2) switch **H**

Audio level controls

- CH1 (AUTO/MAN) switch **E**
- CH2 (AUTO/MAN) switch **I**
- AUDIO LEVEL (CH1) dial **F**
- AUDIO LEVEL (CH2) dial **J**

Using the internal microphone

The sound will be recorded in stereo when using the internal microphone.

Set the CH1 (INT MIC/INPUT1) and CH2 (INT MIC/INPUT1/INPUT2) switches to INT MIC.

💡 Tips

- If the recording sound is small, set [INT MIC SENS] (p. 93) to [HIGH].
- To reduce the wind roar, set [INT MIC WIND] (p. 93) to [ON].

Recording sound via the supplied microphone

The sound will be recorded in monaural.

1 Attach the supplied microphone (p. 26) and connect it to the INPUT 1 jack **A**.

2 Set the CH1 (INT MIC/INPUT 1) **D** and CH2 (INT MIC/INPUT 1/INPUT 2) **H** switches to INPUT 1.

The same sound will be recorded on both CH1 and CH2.

3 Set the INPUT 1 switch **C** to MIC+48V.

Recording sound from an external audio device

To use an external audio device, or a microphone other than the supplied microphone, change the following settings.

1 Select the input source.

Set the INPUT 1/INPUT 2 switches according to the devices connected to the INPUT 1/INPUT 2 jacks.

Audio devices	Switch position
External audio device (mixer, etc.)	LINE
Dynamic microphones or microphones with a built-in battery	MIC
+48V powering (Phantom powering) microphone	MIC+48V

- If you connect a device that does not support +48V phantom power, malfunction may result from setting this switch to MIC+48V. Check before connecting the device.
- When there is no audio device connected to an INPUT jack, set the INPUT switch of that jack to LINE to prevent noise.

2 Set the input level of the microphone.

- Set the input level to the sensitivity of an XLR microphone you are using with [INPUT1 TRIM]/[INPUT2 TRIM] in the menu (p. 93). [0dB] will be appropriate for the supplied microphone (ECM-XM1*).




* NEX-EA50UH/EA50EH/EA50H only

- You can set an input level between -60 dBu (+12dB) and -30 dBu (-18dB) by 6dB. The default setting is -48 dBu (0dB).




3 Select the channel you want to record.

Using the CH1/CH2 switches, select the source to be recorded on each channel.

When the CH1 switch is set to INT MIC

Input source and recorded channel	CH2 switch setting
INT MIC (L) → CH1 INT MIC (R) → CH2	
INT MIC (mono) → CH1 INPUT 1 → CH2	
INT MIC (mono) → CH1 INPUT 2 → CH2	

When the CH1 switch is set to INPUT 1

Input source and recorded channel	CH2 switch setting
INPUT 1 → CH1 INT MIC (mono) → CH2	
INPUT 1 → CH1 INPUT 2 → CH2	
INPUT 1 → CH1 INPUT 2 → CH2	

Useful functions

💡 Tips

- When you use a stereo microphone (2 XLR plugs), connect the L (left) channel plug to the INPUT 1 jack, and the R (right) channel plug to the INPUT 2 jack. Set the CH1 switch to INPUT 1, and the CH2 switch to INPUT 2.

Adjusting the volume

When both the CH1/CH2 switches are set to INT MIC, left and right channels are linked to the CH1 switch and dial.

- 1 Set the **AUTO/MAN** switch (E or I) of the channel to be adjusted to **MAN**.

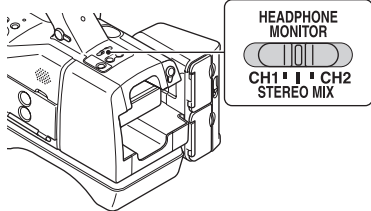
🎧_{M2} appears on the LCD screen.

- 2 During recording or standby, turn the **AUDIO LEVEL** dial (F or J) of the channel to be adjusted.

To restore automatic adjustment

Set the **AUTO/MAN** switch (E or I) of the manually adjusted channel to **AUTO**.

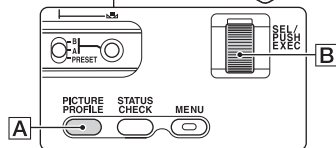
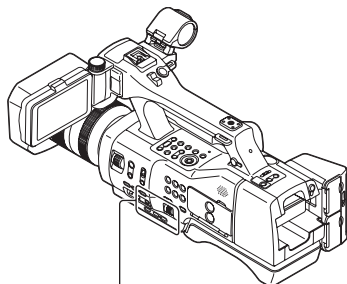
Setting the headphone sound



You can select the channel by setting the switch to CH1 or CH2, to output from the headphone.

See [HEADPHONE OUT] on the sound at STEREO MIX (p. 92).

Customizing the picture quality (Picture profile)



You can customize the picture quality by adjusting picture profile items such as [GAMMA] and [DETAIL]. You can make adjustments for the time of day, weather conditions, or just personal preference.

Connect your camcorder to a TV or monitor, and adjust the picture quality while observing the picture on the TV or monitor screen.

Picture quality settings for different recording conditions have been stored in [PP1] through [PP6] as default settings.

⚠ Notes

- When you switch the recording mode, adjust the setting value as this is applied to both movie and photo.

Useful functions (Continued)

Picture profile number	Example setting
PP1	Example settings of a color tone with [STANDARD] gamma
PP2	Example settings of a color tone with [STILL] gamma
PP3	Example settings of natural color tone with [ITU-709] gamma
PP4	Example settings of a color tone that is faithful to [ITU-709]
PP5	Example settings of pictures recorded on cinema color negative film
PP6	Example settings of pictures screened with cinema color print film

These example settings are for movie mode. When used in photo mode, adjust setting values accordingly.

1 Press the **PICTURE PROFILE** button **[A]** during standby.

2 Select a picture profile number with the **SEL/PUSH EXEC** dial **[B]**, then press the dial.

You can record with the settings of the selected picture profile.

3 Select **[OK]** with the **SEL/PUSH EXEC** dial **[B]**, then press the dial.

To cancel the picture profile recording

Select **[OFF]** in step **2** with the **SEL/PUSH EXEC** dial **[B]**, then press the dial.

To change the picture profile

You can change the settings stored in [PP1] through [PP6].

- ① Press the **PICTURE PROFILE** button **[A]**.
- ② Select the **PICTURE PROFILE** number with the **SEL/PUSH EXEC** dial **[B]**, then press the dial.
- ③ Select **[SETTING]** with the **SEL/PUSH EXEC** dial **[B]**, then press the dial.
- ④ Select an item to be adjusted with the **SEL/PUSH EXEC** dial **[B]**, then press the dial.
- ⑤ Adjust the picture quality with the **SEL/PUSH EXEC** dial **[B]**, then press the dial.
- ⑥ Repeat steps ④ and ⑤ to adjust other items.
- ⑦ Select **[↵ RETURN]** with the **SEL/PUSH EXEC** dial **[B]**, then press the dial.
- ⑧ Select **[OK]** with the **SEL/PUSH EXEC** dial **[B]**, then press the dial.
A picture profile indicator appears.

BLACK LEVEL

To set the black level.

Item	Description and settings
	Sets the black level. -15 to +15

GAMMA

To select a gamma curve.

Item	Description and settings
[STANDARD]	Standard gamma curve for movies
[STILL]	Standard gamma curve for still images
[CINEMATONE1]	Gamma curve 1 for producing tone of film camera images
[CINEMATONE2]	Gamma curve 2 for producing tone of film camera images
[ITU709]	Gamma curve that corresponds to ITU-709. Gain in low intensity area: 4.5

BLACK GAMMA

To correct gamma in low intensity area.

Item	Description and settings
[RANGE]	Selects a correcting range. HIGH / MIDDLE / LOW
[LEVEL]	Sets the correcting level. -7 (maximum black compression) to +7 (maximum black stretch)

Useful functions (Continued)

KNEE

To set knee point and slope for video signal compression to prevent over-exposure by limiting signals in high intensity areas of the subject to the dynamic range of your camcorder.

When selecting [STANDARD] or [STILL] in [GAMMA], [KNEE] is set to off if [MODE] is set to [AUTO]. To use functions in [KNEE], set [MODE] to [MANUAL].

Item	Description and settings
[MODE]	Selects a mode either automatic or manual. [AUTO] : Sets the knee point and slope automatically. [MANUAL] : Sets the knee point and slope manually.
[AUTO SET]	Sets the maximum point and sensitivity in the automatic mode. [MAX POINT] : Sets the maximum point. 90% to 100% [SENSITIVITY] : Sets the sensitivity. HIGH / MIDDLE / LOW
[MANUAL SET]	Sets the knee point and slope manually. [POINT] : Sets the knee point. 75% to 105% [SLOPE] : Sets the knee slope. -5 (gentle) to +5 (steep) [KNEE] is set to off when you set to +5.

COLOR MODE

To set type and level of colors.

Item	Description and settings
[TYPE]	Selects a type of colors. [STANDARD] : Suitable colors when [GAMMA] is set to [STANDARD]. [STILL] : Suitable colors when [GAMMA] is set to [STILL]. [CINEMATONE1] : Film camera image-like colors good with [GAMMA] set to [CINEMATONE1]. [CINEMATONE2] : Film camera image-like colors good with [GAMMA] set to [CINEMATONE2]. [PRO] : Similar color tones to the standard image quality of Sony professional cameras (when combined with ITU-709) [ITU709 MATRIX] : Colors corresponding to ITU-709
[LEVEL]	Sets a level of coloring difference between the standard color and the selected color, when you set [TYPE] to a setting other than [STANDARD]. 1 (close to color settings of [STANDARD]) to 8 (color settings of the selected type)

COLOR LEVEL

To set the color level.

Item	Description and settings
	-8: black and white, -7 (light) to +7 (dark)

COLOR PHASE

To set the color phase.

Item	Description and settings
	-7 (greenish) to +7 (reddish)

COLOR DEPTH

To set the color depth for each color phase.

This function is more effective for chromatic colors and less effective for achromatic colors. The color looks deeper as you increase the setting value to more positive side, and lighter as you decrease the value to more negative side. This function is effective even if you set [COLOR LEVEL] to [-8] (black and white).

Item	Description and settings
[R]	-7 (light red) to +7 (deep red)
[G]	-7 (light green) to +7 (deep green)
[B]	-7 (light blue) to +7 (deep blue)
[C]	-7 (light cyan) to +7 (deep cyan)
[M]	-7 (light magenta) to +7 (deep magenta)
[Y]	-7 (light yellow) to +7 (deep yellow)

WB SHIFT

To set items for the white balance shift.

Items you can adjust differ depending on the filter type.

Item	Description and settings
[FILTER TYPE]	Selects a color filter type for the white balance shift. [LB-CC] : Film type (color conversion and correction) [R-B] : Video type (correction of R and B levels)
[LB][COLOR TEMP]]	Sets a color temperature offset value. -9 (bluish) to +9 (reddish)
[CC][MG/GR]]	Sets a color correct offset value. -9 (greenish) to +9 (magentish)
[R GAIN]	Sets an R level. -9 (low R level) to +9 (high R level)
[B GAIN]	Sets a B level. -9 (low B level) to +9 (high B level)

Useful functions (Continued)

DETAIL

To set items for the detail.

Item	Description and settings
[LEVEL]	Sets the detail level. -7 to +7
[MANUAL SET]	[ON/OFF] : Turns on and off the manual detail adjustment. Set to [ON] to enable the manual detail adjustment (automatic optimization will not be performed).
	[V/H BALANCE]: Sets the vertical (V) and horizontal (H) balance of DETAIL. -2 (off to the vertical (V) side) to +2 (off to the horizontal (H) side)
	[B/W BALANCE]: Selects the balance of the lower DETAIL (B) and the upper DETAIL (W). TYPE1 (off to the lower DETAIL (B) side) to TYPE5 (off to the upper DETAIL (W) side)
	[LIMIT] : Sets the limit level of DETAIL. 0 (Low limit level: likely to be limited) to 7 (High limit level: not likely to be limited)
	[CRISPENING] : Sets the crispening level. 0 (shallow crispening level) to 7 (deep crispening level)
	[HI-LIGHT DETAIL]: Sets the DETAIL level in the high intensity areas. 0 to 4

COPY

To copy the settings of the picture profile to another picture profile number.

RESET

To reset the picture profile to the default setting.

To copy the picture profile setting to another picture profile number

See page 53 for the location of the buttons.

- 1 Press the PICTURE PROFILE button **[A]**.
- 2 Select the picture profile number that you want to copy from with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial **[B]**, then press the dial.
- 3 Select [SETTING] → [COPY] with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial **[B]**, then press the dial.
- 4 Select the number of the picture profile that you want to copy to with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial **[B]**, then press the dial.
- 5 Select [YES] → [↵ RETURN] → [OK] with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial **[B]**.


To reset the picture profile settings


You can reset the picture profile settings by each picture profile number. You cannot reset all picture profile settings at once. See page 53 for the location of the buttons.

- 1 Press the PICTURE PROFILE button **[A]**.
- 2 Select the picture profile number that you want to reset with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial **[B]**, then press the dial.
- 3 Select [SETTING] → [RESET] → [YES] → [↵ RETURN] → [OK] with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial **[B]**.

Acquiring location information (GPS)




- 1 Press the MENU button during standby.

- 2 Select  (OTHERS) → [GPS SETTING] → [ON] (default setting) with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.

 appears, and your camcorder starts trying to triangulate. When your camcorder triangulates successfully, it will record the location information at the time movies were recorded.

Notes

- The indicator changes according to the strength of GPS signal reception.

Triangulating status	GPS indicators	GPS reception status
Function off	No indicator	[GPS SETTING] is set to [OFF], or the GPS receiver is not functioning normally.
Difficult		The camcorder cannot find a GPS signal, therefore, it cannot triangulate. Use the camcorder in an open area.
Searching		The camcorder is searching the GPS signal. It may take several minutes until the camcorder triangulates.
Triangulating		The camcorder is receiving a weak GPS signal.

Useful functions (Continued)

Tri-angulating status	GPS indicators	GPS reception status
Tri-angulating		The camcorder is receiving a GPS signal, and can acquire location information.
Tri-angulating		The camcorder is receiving a strong GPS signal, and can acquire location information.

- [GPS SETTING] is set to [ON] in the default setting. Movies recorded during triangulation by GPS will be recorded with location information. If you do not want to record location information, set [GPS SETTING] to [OFF].
- If the GPS indicator does not become a triangulating status indicator even after several minutes, the camcorder is having trouble with receiving GPS signals. You may start recording if you do not need to record location information, or go to a location with access to the open sky.
- The camcorder can hardly receive GPS signals indoors or near tall buildings. Go to a location with access to the open sky.
- Even if a triangulating status indicator is displayed, the camcorder may not record the GPS information continuously, depending on the condition of GPS signal reception.

Setting time data

The camcorder records movies accompanied by time data, such as time code and user bit.

Presetting the time code

- ① Press the MENU button, select (TC/UB SET) → [TC PRESET] with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial, then press the dial.
- ② Select [PRESET] with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial, then press the dial.

- ③ Select the first 2 digits with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial, then press the dial. You can set the time code within the following range.
When selecting [60i]
00:00:00:00 - 23:59:59:29
 - When setting 24p, you can set the last 2 time code digits of the frames in multiples of 4, between 0 and 23.
When selecting [50i]
00:00:00:00 - 23:59:59:24
- ④ Set other digits by repeating step ③.
- ⑤ Select [OK] with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial, then press the dial.

To reset the time code

You can reset the time code (00:00:00:00). Select [RESET] in step ② of “Presetting the time code.”

To reset the time code using the Wireless Remote Commander

You can reset the time code (00:00:00:00) also by pressing the TC RESET button on the Wireless Remote Commander.

Presetting the user bit

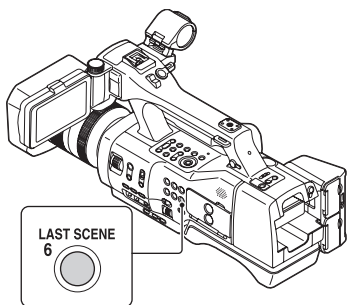
- ① Press the MENU button, select (TC/UB SET) → [UB PRESET] with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial, then press the dial.
- ② Select [PRESET] with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial, then press the dial.
- ③ Select the first 2 digits with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial, then press the dial.
- ④ Set other digits by repeating step ③.
- ⑤ Select [OK] with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial, then press the dial.

To reset the user bit

You can reset the user bit (00 00 00 00). Select [RESET] in step ② of “Presetting the user bit.”

Reviewing the most recently recorded scene (Last Scene Review)

You can review the most recently recorded scene on the LCD screen.



Right after you stop recording, press the **LAST SCENE** button.

The camcorder plays from the top to the end of the most recently recorded scene, then returns to standby mode.

To stop reviewing the last scene

Press the **LAST SCENE** button during playback. The camcorder returns to standby mode.

Notes

- If you edit the movie or remove the recording media after you stop recording, the Last Scene Review function may not work correctly.

Tips

- You can assign this function to an **ASSIGN** button (p. 61).

Assigning the functions to the **ASSIGN** buttons

Some functions can be assigned to the **ASSIGN** buttons for use. You can assign a single function to any one of the **ASSIGN 1** to **6** buttons.

See “Menu items” (p. 82) on the function of each item.

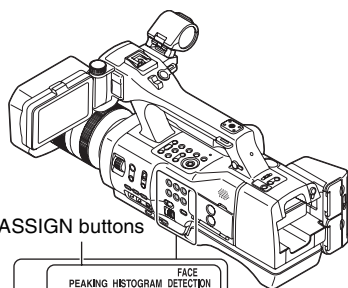
Default function of each **ASSIGN** button

- **ASSIGN 1**: PEAKING (p. 94)
- **ASSIGN 2**: HISTOGRAM (p. 94)
- **ASSIGN 3**: FACE DETECTION (p. 41)
- **ASSIGN 4**: ZEBRA (p. 94)
- **ASSIGN 5**: MARKER (p. 95)
- **ASSIGN 6**: LAST SCENE (p. 61)

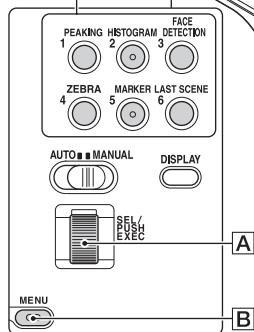
Functions you can assign to the **ASSIGN** buttons

- - (no function)
- EXPANDED FOCUS (p. 40)
- LAST SCENE REVIEW (p. 61)
- WB PRESET (p. 49)
- AE SHIFT (p. 87)
- STEADYSHOT (p. 88)
- SPOT FOCUS (p. 41)
- FACE DETECTION (p. 41)
- COLOR BAR (p. 90)
- HISTOGRAM (p. 94)
- ZEBRA (p. 94)
- PEAKING (p. 94)
- MARKER (p. 95)
- CAMERA DATA DISPLAY (p. 96)
- AUDIO LEVEL DISPLAY (p. 96)
- REC LAMP[F] (p. 102)
- REC LAMP[R] (p. 102)
- VISUAL INDEX (p. 63)
- FOCUS TRANSITION (p. 42)

Assigning the functions to the ASSIGN buttons (Continued)

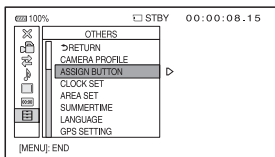


ASSIGN buttons



1 Press the MENU button **B**.

2 Select **[OTHERS]** → **[ASSIGN BUTTON]** with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial **A**.



3 Select the ASSIGN button to which you want to assign a function with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial **A**, then press the dial.

- [-----] appears if no function is assigned to the ASSIGN button.
- If you selected [FOCUS TRANSITION], select [YES] and jump to step 5.

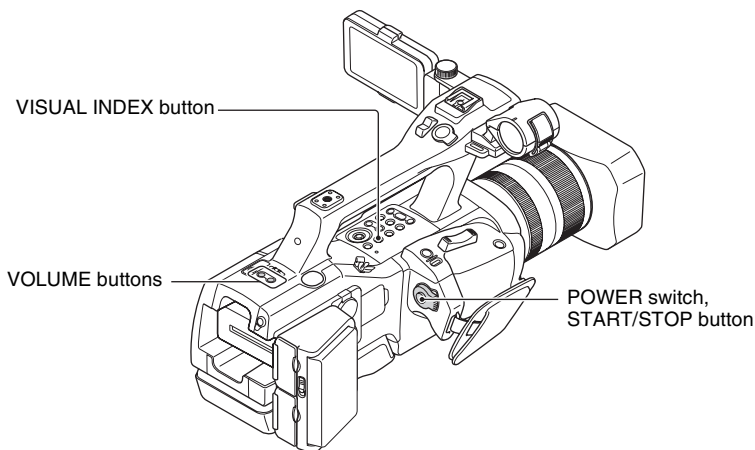
4 Select the function that you want to assign with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial **A**, then press the dial.

5 Select [OK] with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial **A**, then press the dial.

💡 Tips

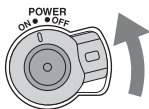
- [FOCUS TRANSITION] is assigned to the ASSIGN 4/5/6 buttons (p. 42). If you cancel the assignment of [FOCUS TRANSITION], the setting goes back to the previous setting.
- To cancel [FOCUS TRANSITION], select [FOCUS TRANSITION] → [YES] in step 3 again.

Playback



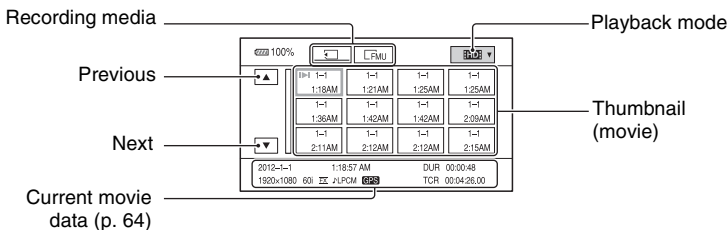
Playing back movies

- Slide the **POWER** switch, **START/STOP** button to **ON** while pressing the green button.



- Press the **VISUAL INDEX** button.

The **VISUAL INDEX** screen appears after a few seconds.



- You can turn on or off the date and time display on the thumbnails by pressing the **DISPLAY** button.

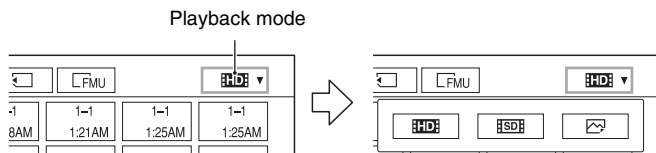
3 Play back movies.

- ① Touch the recording media you want to play back.

☐ : Memory card

☐ FMU : Flash memory unit

- ② Touch the playback mode, and select the desired image quality of movies.



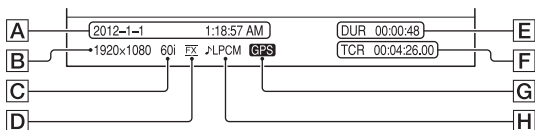
HD : High definition image quality (HD)

SD : Standard definition image quality (SD)

- ③ Touch twice the thumbnail of the movie you want to play back.

You can also select the movie to be played back by pressing ◀/▶/⏪/⏩ buttons followed by pressing the EXEC button.

The first touch of the thumbnail will show the information on the movie at the lower part of the LCD screen.



A Date and time of recording started

B Resolution

C Frame rate

D Recording mode

E Duration

F Time code of recording started

Time code will not be displayed correctly when you play back recording media with no time code, or recording media with time code that your camcorder does not support.

G GPS data

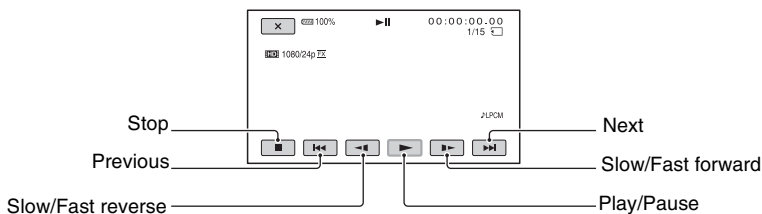
Appears on the movie that was recorded with [GPS SETTING] set to [ON] (default setting) on the [OTHERS] menu.

H LPCM recording

Appears when audio is recorded in Linear PCM. This does not appear for movies in the standard definition image quality (SD).

- **▶|** appears with the movie that has been most recently played back or recorded. If you touch the movie with **▶|**, you can continue playback from the previous time.

Your camcorder starts playing the selected movie.



Notes

- If you touch the thumbnail and press the PLAY button, the most recently recorded or played scene is played back.

Tips

- When playback from the selected movie reaches the last movie, the screen returns to the VISUAL INDEX screen.
- Touch **◀|▶** during pause to play back movies slowly.
- As you repeat touching **⏮**/**⏭** during playback, movies are played back as fast as about 5 times → about 10 times → about 30 times → about 60 times.
- Reduced-size images which enable you to view many movies at the same time on the VISUAL INDEX screen are called “thumbnails.”
- You can operate playback using the PREV/PLAY/NEXT/STOP/PAUSE/SCAN/SLOW buttons on the camcorder.

To adjust the volume

Adjust the volume with the VOLUME buttons.

To return to the recording mode


Press the VISUAL INDEX button.


On playing back movies


- Movies recorded using this camcorder may not be played back normally on devices other than this camcorder. Also, movies recorded on other devices may not play back properly on this camcorder.
- Standard definition image quality (SD) movies recorded on SD memory cards cannot be played on A/V devices of other manufacturers.

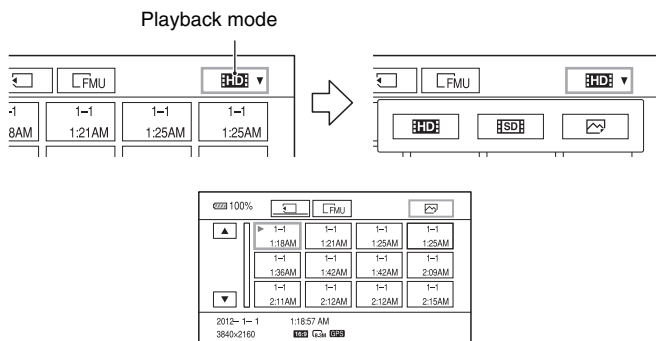
Playing back still images

1 Touch the recording media you want to view on the VISUAL INDEX screen.

 : Memory card

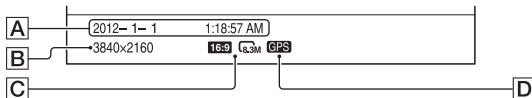
 FMU: Flash memory unit

2 Touch the playback mode, then select  (still image).



3 Touch twice the thumbnail of the still image you want to view.

The first touch of the thumbnail will show the information on the still image at the lower part of the LCD screen.



A Date and time of recording

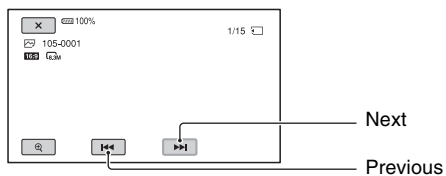
B Resolution

C Image size


D GPS data

Appears on a still image that was created from a movie recorded with [GPS SETTING] set to [ON] (default setting) on the [OTHERS] menu.

Your camcorder displays the selected still image.



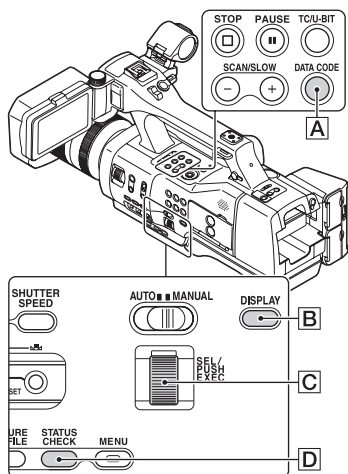
To enlarge

Touch  (playback zoom) when playing back a still image.

You can adjust the zoom with  / , or with the zoom lever.

When you touch the enlarged image, the touched point will be displayed at the center of the screen.

Changing/checking the settings in your camcorder



Changing the screen display

You can display information such as time code, etc., on the image.

Press the DISPLAY button (B).

The screen indicators turn on (displayed) and off (not displayed) as you press the button.

In the recording mode, the screen changes in the order, detailed display → simple display → no display with each press of the button.

💡 Tips

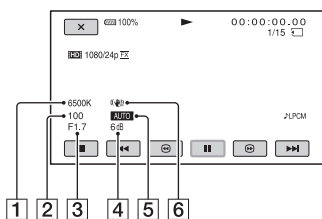
- You can display the screen indicators during playback on a TV. Select [ALL OUTPUT] of [DISPLAY OUTPUT] (p. 97).

Displaying recording data (Data code)

You can display information, including date, time, camera data and GPS triangulation data automatically stored during recording on the screen during playback.

Press the DATA CODE button (A) during playback or pause.

The screen changes in the order, date and time display → camera data display → GPS triangulation data → no display with each press of the button.



1 White balance

The following icons will appear during the playback of still images or movies recorded with [MANU WB TEMP].

When a still image is played back: 6500K

When a movie is played back: **PWB**

2 Shutter speed

3 Iris

4 Gain/ISO sensitivity

5 Exposure

AUTO appears during playback of the movie recorded with the iris, gain, ISO sensitivity or shutter speed automatically adjusted. **MANUAL** appears during playback of the movie recorded with the iris, gain, ISO sensitivity or shutter speed manually adjusted.

6 SteadyShot

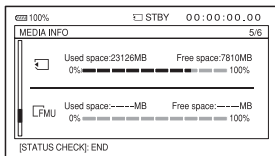
Notes

- The exposure correction value (EV), shutter speed, iris, ISO sensitivity, flash on/off and white balance are displayed during viewing still images.
- When you play back the memory card on other devices, the camera data may be displayed incorrectly. Confirm the correct camera data on your camcorder.
- When GPS triangulation data is displayed, latitude and longitude are displayed in the data code area.
- If you record without receiving GPS data, bars such as [--° --' --" -] will be displayed.

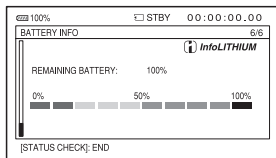
Checking the settings in your camcorder (Status check)

You can check the settings of the following items.

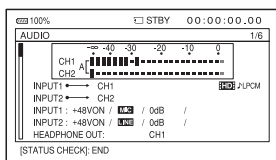
- Audio setup (p. 92)
- Output signal setup (p. 91)
- Functions assigned to the ASSIGN buttons (p. 61)
- Camera setup (p. 85)
- Recording media information
You can check the estimated used and free spaces.



- Battery Info
You can check the remaining capacity of the attached battery.



1 Press the STATUS CHECK button .



2 Turn the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial until a desired display shows up on the LCD screen.

AUDIO → OUTPUT → ASSIGN → CAMERA → MEDIA INFO → BATTERY INFO

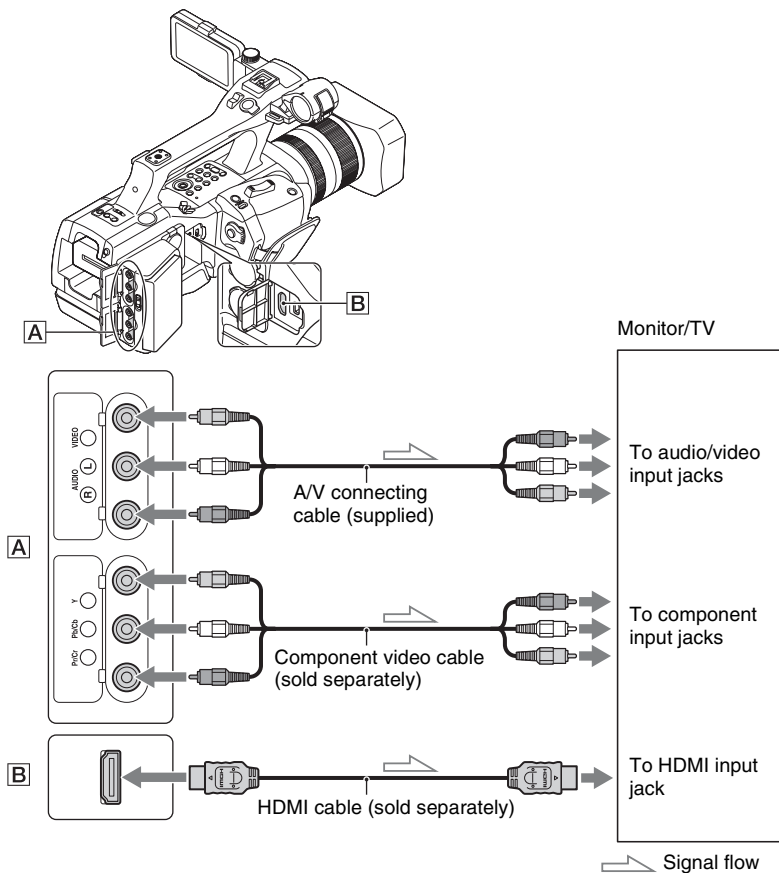
Setup items are displayed according to the settings of the camcorder when it is turned on.

To hide the display

Press the STATUS CHECK button .

Connecting a monitor or a TV

Playback image quality depends on the type of monitor or TV, or the jacks used to make the connection.



Signals are output from the HDMI OUT and COMPONENT OUT jacks simultaneously. In the case of the A/V connecting cable connection, signals are output from the VIDEO OUT jack.

Output resolution

Output resolution depends on the settings of [HDMI/COMPONENT].

When selecting [60i]

HD/SD	[HDMI/COMPONENT] setting	Output resolution		
		HDMI OUT	COMPONENT OUT	VIDEO OUT
HD	1080p/480i	1080p	1080p	No output
	720p/480i	720p	720p	No output
	1080i/480i	1080i	1080i	No output
	480p	480p	480p	No output
	480i	480i	480i	No output
SD	1080p/480i	480i	480i	No output
	720p/480i	480i	480i	No output
	1080i/480i	480i	480i	No output
	480p	480p	480p	No output
	480i	480i	480i	No output

When selecting [50i]

HD/SD	[HDMI/COMPONENT] setting	Output resolution		
		HDMI OUT	COMPONENT OUT	VIDEO OUT
HD	1080p/576i	1080p	1080p	No output
	720p/576i	720p	720p	No output
	1080i/576i	1080i	1080i	No output
	576p	576p	576p	No output
	576i	576i	576i	No output
SD	1080p/576i	576i	576i	No output
	720p/576i	576i	576i	No output
	1080i/576i	576i	576i	No output
	576p	576p	576p	No output
	576i	576i	576i	No output

Notes

- Use an HDMI cable with the HDMI logo.
- Images are not output from the HDMI OUT jack of your camcorder, if copyright protection signals are recorded in the movies.
- Images and sounds may not be reproduced correctly on some monitors or TVs.
- Do not connect the output jacks of the camcorder with the output jacks of the monitor or TV. A malfunction may be caused.
- When 24p or 30p ([60i]), or 25p ([50i]) of frame rate is selected in [HDMI:REC FORMAT], progressive signals are converted to interlace signals by the pull-down system to be output.


Connecting a monitor or a TV (Continued)

- During recording with [HDMI] REC FORMAT set to [1080/60p PS] ([60i]) or [1080/50p PS] ([50i]), the camcorder does not output 720p or 480p ([60i]) or 576p ([50i]) signals. Therefore, if [HDMI/COMPONENT] is set to [720p/480i] ([60i]) or [720p/576i] ([50i]), or either [480p] ([60i]) or [576p] ([50i]), the screen of the connected device becomes blank.
- If you display the edit screen while outputting signals to a monitor or TV, the menu may not be displayed correctly.
- This camcorder is not compatible with “BRAVIA” sync.

Protecting recorded movies and still images (Protect)

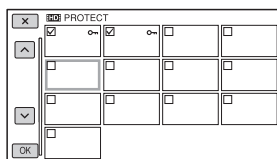
Protect movies and still images to avoid deleting them by mistake.


1 Press the MENU button when the VISUAL INDEX screen is displayed.




2 Select  (EDIT) → [PROTECT] with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.

3 Touch the movies or still images to be protected.

✓ is displayed on the selected images.



- Press and hold the image down to preview the image. Touch  to return to the previous screen.
- You can select up to 100 images at one time.

4 Touch  →  → .

To undo the protection of movies and still images

Touch the movie or still image marked with

- ✓ in step 3.
- ✓ disappears.

Dividing a movie

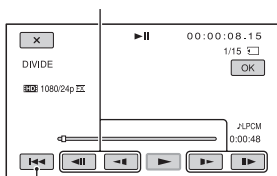
You can divide a movie at a designated point.

1 Press the **MENU** button while playing back movies.

2 Select  (**EDIT**) → **[DIVIDE]** with the **SEL/PUSH EXEC** dial.

3 Touch **II** at the point where you want to divide.

After you select the point with **II**, make fine adjustment with these buttons.



Returns to the beginning of the selected movie.

4 Touch **OK** → **OK**.

Notes

- You cannot restore movies once they are divided.
- Do not remove the battery pack, the AC Adaptor/Charger or the recording media that contains the movies from your camcorder during the operation. It may damage the recording media.
- A slight difference may occur from the point where you touch **II** and the actual dividing point, as your camcorder selects the dividing point based in about half-second increments.

Tips

- Only simple editing is available on this camcorder. Use commercially available editing software for more advanced editing.

Deleting movies and still images


You can free media space by deleting movies and still images from recording media.




Notes

- You cannot restore images once they are deleted.
- Do not remove the battery pack, the AC Adaptor/Charger or the recording media that contains the movies or still images from your camcorder during the operation. It may damage the recording media.
- You cannot delete protected movies and still images. Undo the protection of the movies and still images, before you try to delete them (p. 73).
- Save important movies and still images in advance.

Tips

- To delete all data recorded on the recording media and recover all the recordable space of the media, format the media (p. 78).

- You can select up to 100 images at one time.
-  appears at the upper right corner on the thumbnail of protected images.
- No check box appears on the thumbnail of protected images.

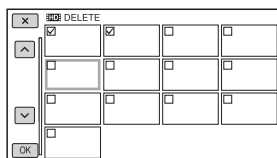
4 Touch  →  → .


1 Press the MENU button when the VISUAL INDEX screen is displayed.

2 Select  (EDIT) → [DELETE] with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.

3 Touch the movies or still images to be deleted.

✓ is displayed on the selected images.



- Press and hold the image down to preview the image. Touch  to return to the previous screen.

Copying movies and still images

You can copy movies and still images between following recording media:

Memory card ↔ Flash memory unit


Memory card → External media device

Flash memory unit → External media device

device

Get the recording media ready before the operation.

Notes

- If there is no image database file on the flash memory unit, you cannot copy movies. In this case, press the MENU button, then select  (OTHERS) → [REPAIR IMAGE DB FILE] → [FMU], to create the image database file.

- Connect your camcorder to the wall outlet (wall socket) using the supplied AC Adaptor/Charger to prevent your camcorder from running out of power during the operation.

Tips

- The original movies and still images will not be deleted after copying.

1 Press the MENU button when the VISUAL INDEX screen is displayed.

2 Select  (EDIT) → [COPY] with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.

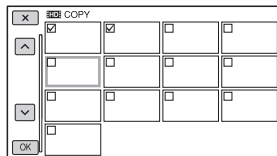
3 Select the recording media to copy from and to.


4 Select [Multiple Images].




5 Select the image type ([HDD MOVIE], [HSD MOVIE], [PHOTO]).

6 Touch the movies or still images to be copied.

✓ is displayed on the selected image.



- Press and hold the image down to preview the image. Touch  to return to the previous screen.
- You can select up to 100 images at one time.

7 Touch  →  → .


To copy all movies or still images

Select [All] in step 4, and the image type in step 5.

Capturing still images from a movie

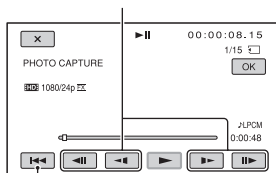
You can save a selected frame from a recorded movie as a still image.

1 Press the **MENU** button while playing back movies.

2 Select  (**EDIT**) → **[PHOTO CAPTURE]** with the **SEL/PUSH EXEC** dial.

3 Touch **II** at the point where you want to capture.

After you select the point with **II**, make fine adjustment with these buttons.



Returns to the beginning of the selected movie.

4 Touch **[OK]**.

The captured still image is saved on the same recording media as that of the playing movie. When capturing is finished, the screen returns to pause.

Notes

- The image size is fixed depending on the image quality of the movie:
 - [2.1M] with high definition image quality (HD)
 - [0.2M] in 16:9 (wide) with standard definition image quality (SD)
 - [VGA(0.3M)] in 4:3 with standard definition image quality (SD)

- The recording media where you want to save still images should have enough free space.
- The recording date and time of captured still images is the same as the recording date and time of the movies.
- If the movie you are capturing from has no data code, the recording date and time of the still image will be the date and time you captured from the movie.

Formatting the recording media

Formatting deletes all data from the recording media to recover recordable free space.

🔊 Notes

- Connect your camcorder to the wall outlet (wall socket) using the supplied AC Adaptor/Charger to prevent your camcorder from running out of power during the operation.
- To avoid the loss of important images, you should save them before formatting the recording media.
- Protected movies and still images are also deleted.

1 Press the MENU button.

2 Select (OTHERS) → [MEDIA FORMAT] with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.

3 Select the recording media to be formatted.

4 Touch → .

🔊 Notes

- While [Executing...] is displayed, do not turn off the camcorder, do not operate any buttons on the camcorder, disconnect the AC Adaptor/Charger, or remove the recording media from your camcorder. (The access lamp is lit or flashing while formatting recording media.)

Preventing data on recording media from being recovered

Unintelligible data can be written on recording media. Thus, it may become more difficult to recover any original data. It is impossible to delete all data completely, even if you format the recording media. Therefore, when you dispose of or transfer the recording media, it is recommended that you perform the [Empty] operation.

🔊 Notes

- If you perform this operation, all stored data are deleted. To avoid the loss of important images, you should save them before the operation.
- You cannot perform this operation unless you connect the AC Adaptor/Charger to the wall outlet (wall socket).
- Disconnect all cables except the AC Adaptor/Charger. Do not disconnect the AC Adaptor/Charger during the operation.
- Do not apply any vibrations or shocks to your camcorder during this operation.

1 Connect your camcorder to the wall outlet (wall socket) using the AC Adaptor/Charger and the connecting cord DK-415 (supplied) (p. 21).

2 Press the MENU button.

3 Select (OTHERS) → [MEDIA FORMAT] with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.

4 Select the recording media to be formatted.

The format screen appears.

5 Touch [Empty] → .

Notes

- It may take from several minutes to several hours to empty recording media, depending on the capacity. You can check the actual time required on the LCD screen.
- If you stop the operation while [Executing...] is displayed, be sure to complete the operation by performing [MEDIA FORMAT] or emptying before you use the recording media next time.


Repairing the image database file

This function checks the database information and the consistency of movies and still images on the recording media, and repairs if any inconsistencies found.

Notes

- Connect your camcorder to the wall outlet (wall socket) using the supplied AC Adaptor/Charger to prevent your camcorder from running out of power during the operation.

1 Press the MENU button.

2 Select  (OTHERS) → [REPAIR IMAGE DB FILE] with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.

3 Select the recording media you want to check the database file.

4 Touch .

The database file check starts. Touch and quit the database file check if no inconsistency is found.

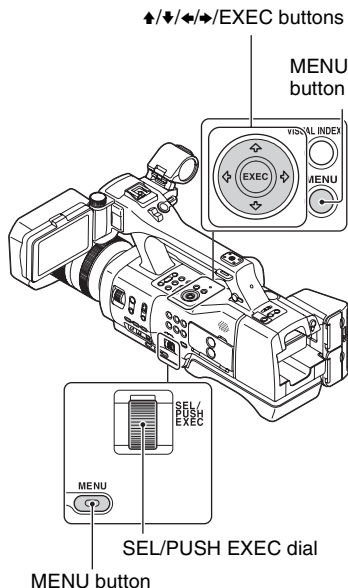
5 Touch → .

Notes

- If you stop the operation while [Repairing the image database file.] is displayed, be sure to complete the operation as described above before you use the recording media next time.

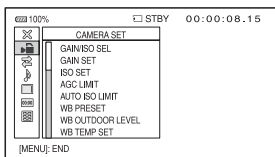
Operating the menu

You can change various settings or make detailed adjustments using the menu items displayed on the LCD screen.



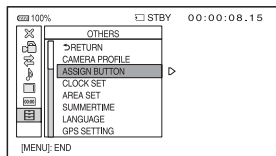
1 Press the MENU button.

The menu screen appears.

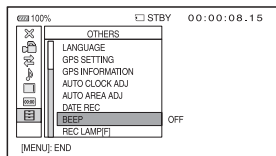


2 Turn the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial until the icon of the desired menu is highlighted, then press the dial to select the menu.

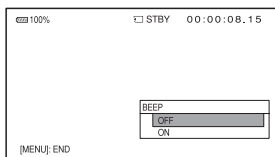
- CAMERA SET (p. 85)
- REC/OUT SET (p. 90)
- AUDIO SET (p. 92)
- DISPLAY SET (p. 94)
- TC/UB SET (p. 98)
- OTHERS (p. 99)
- EDIT (p. 85)



3 Turn the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial until the desired menu item is highlighted, then press the dial to select the item.



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- 4** Turn the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial until the desired setting is highlighted, then press the dial to confirm the setting.




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- 5** Press the MENU button to hide the menu screen.

To return to the previous screen, select [↵ RETURN].

Notes


- The available menu items vary depending on the context of your camcorder during recording or playback.
- Items and setting values not available due to other settings, are grayed out.



Tips

- You can operate using the /EXEC button without using the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.

Menu items

The function and setting value of each menu item are as follows.
The default settings are marked with ▶.

 (CAMERA SET) (p. 85)	
GAIN/ISO SEL	▶GAIN, ISO
GAIN SET	H 0dB - 30dB (▶18dB) M 0dB - 30dB (▶9dB) L 0dB - 30dB (▶0dB)
ISO SET	H ISO160 - ISO5000* ¹ (▶ISO800) M ISO160 - ISO5000* ¹ (▶ISO400) L ISO160 - ISO5000* ¹ (▶ISO160)
AGC LIMIT	▶OFF, 27dB - 0dB
AUTO ISO LIMIT	▶OFF, ISO160 - ISO4000* ¹
WB PRESET	▶OUTDOOR, INDOOR, MANU WB TEMP
WB OUTDOOR LEVEL	-7 - +7 (▶0)
WB TEMP SET	2300K - 15000K (▶6500K)
AE SHIFT	ON/OFF ▶OFF, ON LEVEL -2.0EV - +2.0EV (▶0EV)

ZOOM SET	DIGITAL ZOOM ▶ON, OFF ZOOM LEVER ▶DIGITAL ZOOM, POWER ZOOM, OFF ZOOM SPEED TYPE ▶VARIABLE, FIXED ZOOM SPEED 1 - 32 (▶16)
 STEADYSHOT	▶STANDARD, ACTIVE, OFF
 STEADYSHOT	▶ON, OFF
FOCUS TRANSITION	TRANSITION TIME 3.5sec - 90.0sec (▶4.0sec) START TIMER ▶OFF, 5sec - 20sec REC LINK ▶OFF, FOCUS-A, FOCUS-B
SPOT FOCUS	
FACE DETECTION	ON, ▶OFF
FLASH SET	FLASH ▶AUTO, ON, SLOW SYNC., REAR SYNC., OFF FLASH LEVEL -3.0EV - +3.0EV (▶0EV) RED EYE REDUCTION ▶OFF, ON
AF MICRO ADJUSTMENT	ON/OFF ▶OFF, ON AMOUNT 20 - +20 (▶0) CLEAR ALL YES, NO
COLOR BAR	ON/OFF ▶OFF, ON TONE ▶OFF, ON



(REC/OUT SET) (p. 90)

REC SET

[HD] / **[SD]** SET

▶ **[HD]**, **[SD]**

[HD] REC FORMAT

[60i]

▶ 1080/24p FX,

1080/24p FH,

1080/30p FX,

1080/30p FH,

1080/60p PS,

1080/60i FX,

1080/60i FH,

1080/60i HQ,

1080/60i LP,

720/60p FX,

720/60p FH

[50i]

▶ 1080/25p FX,

1080/25p FH,

1080/50p PS,

1080/50i FX,

1080/50i FH,

1080/50i HQ,

1080/50i LP,

720/50p FX,

720/50p FH

[HD] SIMULTANEOUS

REC

▶ ON, OFF

[SD] WIDE REC

▶ ON, OFF

MEDIA SELECT

▶ MEMORY CARD,

FMU

IMAGE SIZE

▶ 3:2(16.0M),

3:2(8.4M), 3:2(4.0M),

16:9(13.6M),

16:9(7.1M),

16:9(3.4M)

ZOOM LEVER

▶ SERIES, RESET

VIDEO OUT

HDMI/COMPONENT

[60i]

1080p/480i,

720p/480i,

▶ 1080i/480i,

480p, 480i

[50i]

1080p/576i,

720p/576i,

▶ 1080i/576i, 576p,

576i

DOWN CONVERT

TYPE

▶ SQUEEZE,

LETTER BOX(16:9),

EDGE CROP

[SD] WIDE CONVERT

▶ SQUEEZE,

LETTER BOX(16:9),


EDGE CROP

HDMI TC OUT

▶ OFF, ON

Menu items (Continued)

(AUDIO SET) (p. 92)

 AUDIO FORMAT	▶LINEAR PCM, DOLBY DIGITAL
AUDIO LIMIT	▶OFF, ON
HEADPHONE OUT	▶STEREO, MONO
INT MIC SET	INT MIC SENS ▶NORMAL, HIGH
	INT MIC WIND ▶OFF, ON
XLR SET	XLR AGC LINK ▶SEPARATE, LINKED
	INPUT1 TRIM -18dB - +12dB (▶0dB)
	INPUT1 WIND ▶OFF, ON
	INPUT2 TRIM -18dB - +12dB (▶0dB)
	INPUT2 WIND ▶OFF, ON

(DISPLAY SET) (p. 94)

HISTOGRAM	▶OFF, ON, ON[ZEBRA POINT]
ZEBRA	ON/OFF ▶OFF, ON
	LEVEL 70 - 100, 100+ (▶70)
PEAKING	ON/OFF ▶OFF, ON
	COLOR ▶WHITE, RED, YELLOW
	LEVEL HIGH, ▶MIDDLE, LOW

MARKER	ON/OFF ▶OFF, ON
	CENTER ▶ON, OFF
	ASPECT ▶OFF, 4:3, 13:9, 14:9, 15:9, 1.66:1, 1.85:1, 2.35:1
	SAFETY ZONE ▶OFF, 80%, 90%
	GUIDEFAME ▶OFF, ON
EXPANDED FOCUS MAG	x4.0, x8.0, ▶x4.0/x8.0
CAMERA DATA DISPLAY	OFF, ▶ON
AUDIO LEVEL DISPLAY	▶ON, OFF
ZOOM DISPLAY	▶BAR, NUMBER
FOCUS DISPLAY	▶METER, FEET
SHUTTER DISPLAY	▶SECOND, DEGREE
LCD BRIGHT	▶NORMAL, BRIGHT
DISPLAY OUTPUT	▶LCD PANEL, ALL OUTPUT


(TC/UB SET) (p. 98)

TC PRESET	▶PRESET, RESET
UB PRESET	▶PRESET, RESET
TC FORMAT* ²	▶DF, NDF
TC RUN	▶REC RUN, FREE RUN
TC MAKE	▶PRESET, REGENERATE
UB TIME REC	▶OFF, ON


(OTHERS) (p. 99)

CAMERA PROFILE	LOAD, SAVE, DELETE
ASSIGN BUTTON	ASSIGN1, ASSIGN2, ASSIGN3, ASSIGN4, ASSIGN5, ASSIGN6, FOCUS TRANSITION
CLOCK SET	
AREA SET	
SUMMERTIME	▶OFF, ON

(CAMERA SET) menu

Settings to adjust your camcorder to the recording conditions (GAIN SET/ STEADYSHOT, etc.)

The default settings are marked with ►. See page 80 for details on selecting menu items.

Press the MENU button → select  (CAMERA SET) with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.

LANGUAGE	
GPS SETTING	►ON, OFF
GPS INFORMATION	
AUTO CLOCK ADJ	►ON, OFF
AUTO AREA ADJ	►ON, OFF
DATE REC	►OFF, ON
BEEP	►OFF, ON
REC LAMP[F]	►ON, OFF
REC LAMP[R]	►ON, OFF
REMOTE CONTROL	►ON, OFF
60i/50i SEL	60i* ³ , 50i* ⁴
MEDIA FORMAT	MEMORY CARD, FMU, EXTERNAL MEDIA
REPAIR IMAGE DB FILE	MEMORY CARD, FMU, EXTERNAL MEDIA
USB CONNECT	
OPERATION TIME	
VERSION DISPLAY	
CALIBRATION	



(EDIT)

PROTECT
DIVIDE
DELETE
PHOTO CAPTURE
COPY

*1 Setting range when picture profile is set to [OFF] in movie mode

*2 Settings available only when [60i/50i SEL] is set to [60i]

*3 Default setting for NEX-EA50UK/EA50UH

*4 Default setting for NEX-EA50EK/EA50K/EA50EH/EA50H

Tips

- You can display the [EDIT] menu by pressing the MENU button when the VISUAL INDEX or playback screen is displayed.

GAIN/ISO SEL

You can change the gain display between dB and ISO sensitivity during movie mode.

► GAIN

Adjusts in dB.

ISO

Adjusts in ISO sensitivity (recommended exposure index).

Notes

- This setting is fixed to [ISO] in photo mode.
- Gain and ISO sensitivity are separately saved with different values.
- This setting is available only when the AUTO/MANUAL switch is set to MANUAL.

GAIN SET

You can set gain values for H, M and L positions of the gain switch.

Default setting:

[H]: 18dB, [M]: 9dB, [L]: 0dB

- Select [H], [M] or [L] with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.
- Set the gain value with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial, then press the dial. You can select a value between 0dB and 30dB in 3dB increments. The larger the value, the higher the gain.
- Select [OK] with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.

Press the MENU button → select  (CAMERA SET) with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.

Tips

- The setting is available when [GAIN/ISO SEL] is set to [GAIN] in movie mode.
- The value can be set separately from the one set in [ISO SET].

ISO SET

You can set ISO values for H, M and L positions of the gain switch.

Default setting:

[H]:ISO800, [M]:ISO400, [L]:ISO160

- ① Select [H], [M] or [L] with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.
- ② Set the ISO sensitivity value with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial, then press the dial.
You can select a value between ISO160 and ISO5000 (movie)/ISO100 and ISO25600 (photo) in 1/3EV increments. The larger the value, the higher the ISO sensitivity.
- ③ Select [OK] with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.

Setting value

The value you can set depends on the [GAMMA] setting on picture profile.

Movie

- STANDARD: ISO160 - ISO5000
- STILL: ISO160 - ISO5000
- CINEMATONE1: ISO160 - ISO5000
- CINEMATONE2: ISO160 - ISO5000
- ITU709: ISO200 - ISO6400

Photo

- STANDARD: ISO100 - ISO25600
- STILL: ISO100 - ISO25600
- CINEMATONE1: ISO100 - ISO25600
- CINEMATONE2: ISO80 - ISO20000
- ITU709: ISO125 - ISO32000

Tips

- The setting is available in photo mode, or when [GAIN/ISO SEL] is set to [ISO].
- The value can be set separately from the one set in [GAIN SET].

AGC LIMIT

You can select the upper limit for the Auto Gain Control (AGC).

▶ OFF, 27dB - 0dB (3dB increments)

Notes

- This function is not effective while you adjust the gain manually.

Tips

- The setting is available when [GAIN/ISO SEL] is set to [GAIN] in movie mode.
- The value can be set separately from the one set in [AUTO ISO LIMIT].

AUTO ISO LIMIT

You can select the upper limit when ISO AUTO is set.

▶ OFF, ISO160 - ISO4000 (movie)/
ISO100 - ISO20000 (photo) (1/3EV increments)

Setting value

The value you can set depends on the [GAMMA] setting on picture profile.

Movie

- STANDARD: ISO160 - ISO4000
- STILL: ISO160 - ISO4000
- CINEMATONE1: ISO160 - ISO4000
- CINEMATONE2: ISO160 - ISO4000
- ITU709: ISO200 - ISO5000

Photo

- STANDARD: ISO100 - ISO20000
- STILL: ISO100 - ISO20000
- CINEMATONE1: ISO100 - ISO20000
- CINEMATONE2: ISO80 - ISO16000
- ITU709: ISO125 - ISO25600

Notes

- This function is not effective while you adjust the ISO sensitivity manually.

Tips

- The setting is available in photo mode, or when [GAIN/ISO SEL] is set to [ISO].

- The value can be set separately from the one set in [AGC LIMIT].

WB PRESET

You can use the preset white balance. For more details, see page 49.

WB OUTDOOR LEVEL

You can set an offset value to adjust the outdoor white balance when you set [WB PRESET] to [OUTDOOR].

-7 - ►0 - +7
(bluish - normal - reddish)

WB TEMP SET

You can set the color temperature when you set [WB PRESET] to [MANU WB TEMP].

2300K - ►6500K - 15000K (100K increments)

AE SHIFT

■ ON/OFF

► OFF

Does not use the AE SHIFT function.

ON

Uses the AE SHIFT function. The selected value (-2.0EV for example) appears on the LCD screen.

■ LEVEL

You can set an offset value to adjust the automatic exposure adjustment value with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.

-2.0EV - ►0EV - +2.0EV
(dark - standard - bright)

🔗 Notes

- This function is not effective while you adjust the iris, shutter speed, gain (ISO sensitivity) all manually.

💡 Tips

- You can assign [ON/OFF] to an ASSIGN button (p. 61).

ZOOM SET

■ DIGITAL ZOOM

► ON

💡 Tips

- The face detection function will not be effective while using the digital zoom.

OFF

■ ZOOM LEVER

You can select zooming by the zoom lever on the camcorder or the Wireless Remote Commander. It is not possible to assign different operations for them.

► DIGITAL ZOOM

POWER ZOOM

OFF

💡 Tips

- To set to [POWER ZOOM] a power zoom lens compatible with this camcorder is required.
- Even when [POWER ZOOM] is set, the digital zoom magnification will be retained.

■ ZOOM SPEED TYPE

► VARIABLE

FIXED

■ ZOOM SPEED

1 - ►16 - 32

💡 Tips

- When [ZOOM SPEED TYPE] is set to [FIXED], you can zoom at the speed set in [ZOOM SPEED], regardless of how far you operate the zoom lever.
- The zoom speed range differs depending on the power zoom lens you use. The speed may not change or drive sound may be heard loudly depending on the combination of lens and [ZOOM SPEED] setting. Trial shooting is suggested before actual shooting.

Press the MENU button → select  (CAMERA SET) with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.

STEADYSHOT

Only when attaching the lens with SteadyShot.

You can set the camera shake reduction in movie mode.

▶ STANDARD ()

Uses SteadyShot under relatively stable condition.

ACTIVE ()

Uses SteadyShot with more powerful effect.

OFF ()

Does not use SteadyShot. This setting is recommended when you use a tripod.

Notes

- [ACTIVE] can be selected only when recording movies using a lens with optical SteadyShot complying with [ACTIVE].

Tips

- You can assign this function to an ASSIGN button (p. 61).

STEADYSHOT

Only when attaching the lens with SteadyShot.

You can set the camera shake reduction in photo mode.

▶ ON ()

Uses SteadyShot.

OFF ()

Does not use SteadyShot. This setting is recommended when you use a tripod.

Tips

- You can assign this function to an ASSIGN button (p. 61).

FOCUS TRANSITION

■ TRANSITION TIME

You can set the time to shift the focus.

3.5sec, ▶ 4.0sec, 4.5sec - 15.0sec
(0.5sec increments), 20.0sec, 30.0sec,
45.0sec, 60.0sec, 90.0sec

■ START TIMER

You can set the time to start the transition after the ASSIGN 5 or ASSIGN 6 button is pressed.

▶ OFF, 5sec, 10sec, 20sec

■ REC LINK

You can link the time you start recording with the time focus shifts.

▶ OFF, FOCUS-A, FOCUS-B

Notes

- [FOCUS TRANSITION] function is effective only on the [EXEC] screen.

SPOT FOCUS

See page 41.

FACE DETECTION

See page 41.

FLASH SET

You can select the flash setting when shooting photos with a compatible external flash (sold separately).

■ FLASH

▶ AUTO

Flashes automatically when the camcorder judges the lack of light warrants a flash.

[AUTO] cannot be selected when the shutter speed or iris is set to manual.

ON

Flashes for every shot, regardless of ambient light.

SLOW SYNC.

Flashes for every shot. This setting makes not only the subject brighter, but also the background.

REAR SYNC.

Flashes just before the exposure ends. Trails of moving objects follow their natural direction of movement.

OFF

Does not flash.

■ FLASH LEVEL

-3.0EV - ▶0EV - +3.0EV (1/3EV increments)

🔌 Notes

- The set value may not be effective depending on the connected flash (sold separately).

■ RED EYE REDUCTION

A flash (sold separately) strobes 2 or more times before shooting to reduce the red-eye phenomenon.

▶ OFF

Does not use Red Eye Reduction.

ON

A flash always strobes to reduce the red-eye phenomenon.

🔌 Notes

- [RED EYE REDUCTION] is available in still image recording mode only.
- Turn on the power of a flash (sold separately) attached to use Red Eye Reduction.
- Red Eye Reduction may not produce the desired effects. It depends on individual differences and conditions, such as distance to the subject, or if the subject looked away from the pre-strobe.
- There are certain flash units that you cannot use with Red Eye Reduction.

💡 Tips

- Pupils become dilated in dark environments. Flash light is reflected off the blood vessels at the back of the eye (retina), causing the "redeye" phenomenon.

AF MICRO ADJUSTMENT

When you use the LA-EA2 mount adaptor (sold separately) and an A-mount lens, you can register a specific focal setting for that lens.

■ ON/OFF**▶ OFF**

Deactivates AF micro adjustment.

ON

Activates AF micro adjustment.

■ AMOUNT

You can set the adjustment value of the attached lens.

Set a higher value to focus farther from the camcorder, or set a lower value to focus closer to the camcorder.


-20 - ▶0 - +20

■ CLEAR ALL

You can clear the values of all the registered lenses.

🔌 Notes

- When [AF MICRO ADJUSTMENT] is not set to [ON], you cannot register an adjustment value.
- We recommend that you decide the value under actual shooting conditions.
- When you attach a lens that is registered on the camcorder, the registered value is displayed. If the lens is unregistered, [±0] is displayed.
- If the number of registered lenses reaches 30, the [AMOUNT] is grayed out and cannot be selected. To register any further lenses, you first need to delete already registered lenses. To do this, attach a lens to delete its registered value, then reset its value to "±0." Alternatively, you can reset the values of all lenses with [CLEAR ALL].
- If you perform AF micro adjustment with the lens of another manufacturer, the adjustment values of Sony, Minolta, and Konica Minolta lenses may be affected. Do not use this function with lenses of any other manufacturer.

Press the MENU button → select  (CAMERA SET) with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.

- You cannot perform individual AF micro adjustment for Sony, Minolta, or Konica Minolta lenses of the same specifications.

COLOR BAR

■ ON/OFF

▶ OFF

Does not display color bars.

ON

Displays color bars on the LCD screen, records them on recording media, and outputs audio tone signals.

This function helps you to adjust colors when you view movies recorded with your camcorder on a TV or a monitor.

🔊 Notes

- This function is automatically set to [OFF] when you switch the format, perform the function by the MENU button, or turn off the camcorder.
- You cannot change the setting during recording or expanded focus operation.

■ TONE

▶ OFF

Does not output audio tone signals.

ON

Outputs audio tone signals (1 kHz: full bit -20dB ([60i]), -18dB ([50i])). Set [ON/OFF] to [ON], too.

💡 Tips


- You can assign [ON/OFF] to an ASSIGN button (p. 61).
- If you record color bars with [TONE] set to [OFF], the camcorder records sound from the microphone.

↔ (REC/OUT SET) menu

Recording settings, input and output settings (REC SET/VIDEO OUT, etc.)

The default settings are marked with ▶.

See page 80 for details on selecting menu items.

Press the MENU button → select  (REC/OUT SET) with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.

REC SET

■ / SET

See page 45.

■ REC FORMAT

See page 44.

■ SIMULTANEOUS REC

See page 34.

■ WIDE REC

You can set the aspect ratio when recording in standard definition image quality (SD).

▶ ON

Records in 16:9.

OFF ()

Records in 4:3.

🔊 Notes

- When recording in high definition image quality (HD), the aspect ratio is fixed to 16:9.

MEDIA SELECT

See page 35.

IMAGE SIZE

See page 45.

FILE NUMBER

▶ SERIES

RESET

🔊 Notes

- [FILE NUMBER] is effective only when recording photos.

💡 Tips

- When the capacity of a file number exceeds 9999, another folder is created.

VIDEO OUT

■ HDMI/COMPONENT

You can select the resolution of the output signal from the HDMI/COMPONENT jacks.

When selecting [60i]

1080p/480i

720p/480i

▶ 1080i/480i

480p

480i

When selecting [50i]

1080p/576i

720p/576i

▶ 1080i/576i

576p

576i

💡 Tips

- See page 71 on the output resolution of the signal for each connecting cable.

■ DOWN CONVERT TYPE

You can select a down convert type when you down-convert video signal. Use this function for outputting movies and still images recorded in 16:9.

▶ SQUEEZE

Outputs a horizontally compressed image while maintaining its original height.

LETTER BOX(16:9)

Outputs a vertically compressed image while maintaining its original aspect ratio.

EDGE CROP

Outputs the central portion of the original image by cropping its right and left edges.

■ [HSD] WIDE CONVERT

You can select a down convert type when you down-convert video signal.

Use this function for outputting SD movies recorded with [HSD] WIDE REC] set to [ON].

▶ SQUEEZE

Outputs a horizontally compressed image while maintaining its original height.

LETTER BOX(16:9)

Outputs a vertically compressed image while maintaining its original aspect ratio.

EDGE CROP

Outputs the central portion of the original image by cropping its right and left edges.

🔊 Notes

- When you view a movie recorded in standard definition image quality (SD) with [HSD] WIDE REC] set to [ON] on a standard 4:3 TV, images may appear horizontally compressed while maintaining its original height. In such a case, select [LETTER BOX(16:9)] or [EDGE CROP].
- If you change the setting from [SQUEEZE] to another option, or from another option to [SQUEEZE], the screen will go out momentarily, and the image and sound will be intermitted.

■ HDMI TC OUT

You can set whether to output time code to other professional-use devices, using HDMI.

▶ OFF

Does not overlap the time code information on HDMI output signal.

Press the MENU button → select
↔ (REC/OUT SET) with the SEL/PUSH
EXEC dial.

ON

Overlaps the time code information on HDMI output signal*. The data is transmitted as digital data, not as a projected image, and the connected device identifies the time data by referencing the transmitted digital data.

* If the frame rate is 24p, 2-3 pulldown is performed and the converted information is automatically added and transmitted.

♪ (AUDIO SET) menu

Settings for the audio recording
( AUDIO FORMAT/XLR SET, etc.)

The default settings are marked with ►.
See page 80 for details on selecting menu items.

Press the MENU button → select
♪ (AUDIO SET) with the SEL/PUSH
EXEC dial.

AUDIO FORMAT

You can set the audio format for high definition image quality (HD) recording.

► LINEAR PCM (♪LPCM)

Records in Linear PCM system.

DOLBY DIGITAL (♪DolbyD)

Records in Dolby Digital system.

🔊 Notes

- Audio format is fixed to [DOLBY DIGITAL] with the standard definition image quality (SD) recording.

AUDIO LIMIT

You can set the clipping-noise reduction function for CH1/CH2.

► OFF

Disables the function.

ON

Enables the function.

🔊 Notes

- This function is available only when you set the AUTO/MAN (CH1/CH2) switches to MAN.

HEADPHONE OUT

You can set the sound to output to the headphone when the HEADPHONE MONITOR switch is set to STEREO MIX.

► STEREO

Outputs in stereo.

MONO

Outputs in monaural.

INT MIC SET

■ INT MIC SENS

You can set the recording sensitivity when using the internal microphone.

► NORMAL

Sensitivity generally used for professional-use devices

HIGH

Sensitivity generally used for consumer-use devices

■ INT MIC WIND

Diminish low tone in input sound with the internal microphone, and reduce wind noise.

► OFF

Disables wind noise reduction.

ON ()

Enables wind noise reduction.

XLR SET


■ XLR AGC LINK

You can select either linked or separate AGC (Auto Gain Control) of CH1 and CH2 when using an external microphone.

► SEPARATE

Separately applies the AGC for CH1/CH2. Sound inputs from CH1/CH2 will be recorded as separate sound.

LINKED ()

Applies the AGC of CH1 linked with that of CH2. Sound inputs from CH1/CH2 will be recorded as a set of sound such as stereo sound. A  appears on the status check screen.

🔊 Notes

- This function is available when the CH1 and CH2 switches are both set to AUTO and the INPUT 1 and INPUT 2 switches are both set to MIC or both set to LINE (p. 51).

■ INPUT1 TRIM

You can adjust the input signal level from INPUT 1.

-18dB, -12dB, -6dB, ►0dB, +6dB, +12dB

🔊 Notes

- The setting is not effective when you set the INPUT 1 switch to LINE.


■ INPUT1 WIND

► OFF

Disables wind noise reduction.

ON

Enables wind noise reduction.

 appears on the status check screen.

🔊 Notes

- The setting is not effective when you set the INPUT 1 switch to LINE.

■ INPUT2 TRIM

■ INPUT2 WIND

You can set INPUT 2 in the same way as INPUT 1.

💡 Tips


- -48 dBu is set as 0dB in your camcorder.
- Set INPUT TRIM to [0dB] for the supplied microphone.
- The INPUT TRIM function adjusts the input level from an external microphone. When using a highly sensitive microphone or recording loud sound, set this to the minus side. When using a less sensitive microphone or recording quiet sound, set it to the plus side.
- Distortion when recording loud sound may result at the input point, or at the recording point. If it is distorted at the input point, adjust the sound using the INPUT TRIM function. If it is distorted at the recording point, lower the total volume level manually.
- If you set INPUT TRIM too far to the minus side, the microphone volume becomes too low, resulting in a poor signal to noise ratio.
- Test the effect of [XLR SET] according to the microphone used or the sound field of the recording site before actual recording.

(DISPLAY SET) menu

Display settings (MARKER/DISPLAY OUTPUT, etc.)

The default settings are marked with ►.

See page 80 for details on selecting menu items.

Press the MENU button → select  (DISPLAY SET) with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.

HISTOGRAM

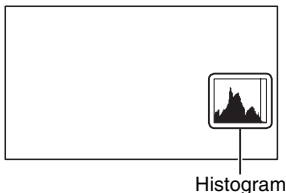
The histogram displays the luminance distribution that shows how many pixels of a particular brightness exist in the image.

► OFF

Does not display the histogram.

ON

Displays a histogram. A line appears at the 100% position, and the color of the zone above the line changes.



ON[ZEBRA POINT]

The histogram shows the point where the zebra pattern appears. A line is displayed at the brightness level set with [ZEBRA].

Tips

- You can assign this function to an ASSIGN button (p. 61).

ZEBRA

You can display a zebra pattern as a guide for adjusting brightness.

■ ON/OFF

► OFF

Does not display the zebra pattern.

ON (and the brightness level)

The zebra pattern is not recorded with the image.

■ LEVEL

You can select the brightness level.

►70 to 100 or 100+

Tips

- The zebra pattern is a stripe pattern that appears in areas of brightness equal to or exceeding the brightness level you have set.
- You can assign [ON/OFF] to an ASSIGN button (p. 61).

PEAKING

■ ON/OFF

► OFF

Does not display the peaking.

ON (PEAKING)

You can display an image on the LCD screen with its outlines enhanced. This function helps you to adjust the focus.

■ COLOR

You can select peaking color.

►WHITE, RED, YELLOW

■ LEVEL

You can select a peaking sensitivity.

HIGH, ►MIDDLE, LOW

Notes

- The enhanced outlines will not be recorded on the recording media.

Tips

- You can focus more easily using this function in combination with the expanded focus function (p. 40).
- You can assign [ON/OFF] to an ASSIGN button (p. 61).

MARKER

■ ON/OFF

▶ OFF

Does not display markers.

ON

Displays markers. Markers are not recorded on the recording media.

■ CENTER

▶ ON

Displays a marker at the center of the LCD screen.

OFF

Does not display a center marker.



■ ASPECT

▶ OFF

Does not display the aspect ratio.

4:3, 13:9, 14:9, 15:9, 1.66:1, 1.85:1, 2.35:1

Displays markers at boundaries of display area defined by the aspect ratio.



■ SAFETY ZONE

▶ OFF

Does not display the safety zone.

80%, 90%

If you select either one, you can display markers at boundaries of display area that regular home TVs can display.



■ GUIDEFAME

▶ OFF

Does not display the guide frame.

ON

Displays the guide frame.

You can check the horizontal and vertical aspect of a subject.



Notes

- Only the time code is output to an external device via external output jacks when [MARKER] is set to [ON], even if [DISPLAY OUTPUT] is set to [ALL OUTPUT].
- You cannot display markers during [EXPANDED FOCUS].
- You can display markers only on the LCD screen. You cannot display them on an external device.

Tips

- You can display all types of markers at the same time.
- You can obtain a balanced composition by positioning the subject at the cross points of the guideframe marker.
- You can assign [ON/OFF] to an ASSIGN button (p. 61).

EXPANDED FOCUS MAG

You can set the magnification of expanded focus.

×4.0

×8.0

▶ ×4.0/×8.0

The setting changes in the order [×4.0] → [×8.0] → [OFF] with each press of the EXPANDED FOCUS button.

Press the MENU button → select  (DISPLAY SET) with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.

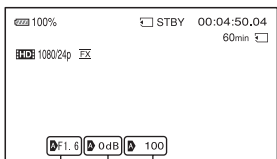
CAMERA DATA DISPLAY

OFF

Does not display the iris, gain, ISO sensitivity and shutter speed settings.


▶ ON

Constantly displays the iris, gain, ISO sensitivity and shutter speed settings on the LCD screen.



Iris value
Gain/ISO value
Shutter speed value

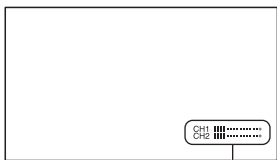
💡 Tips

- The settings appear on the LCD screen during the manual adjustment regardless of the settings of this function.
-  indicates that the settings are automatically adjusted values.
- The displayed settings are different from the settings that will be displayed when you press the DATA CODE button (p. 68).
- You can assign this function to an ASSIGN button (p. 61).

AUDIO LEVEL DISPLAY

▶ ON

Displays the audio level meters on the LCD screen.



Audio level meters

OFF

Does not display the audio level meters.

💡 Tips

- You can assign this function to an ASSIGN button (p. 61).

ZOOM DISPLAY

▶ BAR

Displays a bar that indicates the optical zoom position.

NUMBER

Displays a number (0 through 99) that indicates the optical zoom position.

FOCUS DISPLAY

▶ METER

Displays the focal length in meters.

FEET

Displays the focal length in feet.

SHUTTER DISPLAY

▶ SECOND

Displays the shutter display in seconds.

DEGREE

Displays the shutter display in degrees.

The shutter speed equal to the period that your camcorder reads image data from the image sensor is defined as 360 degrees. The degree is calculated based on this definition and displayed.

- With a frame rate of 60 selected in [HDI] REC FORMAT, when the shutter speed is 1/60, the shutter angle is 360 degrees.
- With a frame rate of 30 selected in [HDI] REC FORMAT, when the shutter speed is 1/30, the shutter angle is 360 degrees.
- With a frame rate of 24 selected in [HDI] REC FORMAT, when the shutter speed is 1/24, the shutter angle is 360 degrees.

- With a frame rate of 50 selected in [**HD**:REC FORMAT], when the shutter speed is 1/50, the shutter angle is 360 degrees.
 - With a frame rate of 25 selected in [**HD**:REC FORMAT], when the shutter speed is 1/25, the shutter angle is 360 degrees.
- See page 44 for details on [**HD**:REC FORMAT] setting.

Notes

- When pressing the DATA CODE button, shutter speed is displayed in seconds regardless of this setting.

Tips

- If the shutter speed is more than 360 degrees, it is displayed as an integral multiple of 360 degrees (360° × 2, etc.).

LCD BRIGHT

You can adjust the brightness of the LCD screen. Changes in the LCD brightness are not affect the brightness of recording images.

- ▶ **NORMAL**
- ▶ **BRIGHT**

DISPLAY OUTPUT

You can select where to output the display information, such as time code.

- ▶ **LCD PANEL**
Outputs the information to the LCD screen.
- ▶ **ALL OUTPUT**
Outputs information to the HDMI OUT, COMPONENT OUT and VIDEO OUT jacks, and the LCD screen. Zebra, peaking and the frame on the face are also output.

Notes

- Only the time code, zebra, peaking and the frame on the face are output when [MARKER] is set to [ON] and a marker is displayed on the LCD screen.

00:00 (TC/UB SET) menu

Time code settings (TC PRESET/UB PRESET/TC FORMAT, etc.)

The default settings are marked with ►. See page 80 for details on selecting menu items.

Press the MENU button → select 00:00 (TC/UB SET) with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.

TC PRESET

See page 60.

UB PRESET

See page 60.

TC FORMAT

You can select the time code recording method when [60i/50i SEL] is set to [60i]. This setting is fixed to [NDF] when [50i] is set.

► DF

Records the time code in drop frame.

NDF

Records the time code in non-drop frame.

🔊 Notes

- This setting is fixed to [NDF] when recording in [HD] 1080/24p, even if [60i/50i SEL] is set to [60i].

💡 Tips

Drop frame

Time code is based on 30 frames per second; however, gaps in the actual time occur during extended periods of recording as the actual frame frequency of NTSC image signal is 29.97 frames per second. Drop frame corrects this gap to make time code and actual time equal. In drop frame, the first 2 frame numbers are removed every minute except in every tenth minute. Time code without this correction is called non-drop frame.

TC RUN

You can select how the time code advances.

► REC RUN

Advances the time code only during recording.

Select this setting to record the time code sequentially from the last time code of the previous recording.

FREE RUN

Advances the time code regardless of operation of your camcorder.

🔊 Notes

- Even if the time code advances in the [REC RUN] mode, the time code may not be recorded sequentially in the following cases:
 - When the recording format is changed.
 - When the images are recorded on the memory card and the flash memory unit simultaneously.
 - When the recording media is removed.

TC MAKE

► PRESET

Records the newly set time code on the recording media.

REGENERATE

Reads the last time code of the previous recording from the recording media and records the new time code consecutively from the last time code during the backspace editing.

The time code runs in [REC RUN] mode regardless of the setting of [TC RUN].

UB TIME REC**▶ OFF**

Does not save the actual time in the user bit code.

ON

Saves the actual time in the user bit code.


🔌 Notes

- The last 2 digits are fixed to 00 when it is set to [ON].

☰ (OTHERS) menu

Settings while recording or other basic settings (AREA SET/GPS SETTING/BEEP, etc.)

The default settings are marked with ▶. **See page 80 for details on selecting menu items.**

Press the MENU button → select  (OTHERS) with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.

CAMERA PROFILE

You can save up to 99 camera profile settings in a memory card for easy recall at any time.

In addition, if you should require multiple camcorders with the same settings, you can load the desired settings to all cameras via the memory card.

🔌 Notes

- A camera profile of a different [60i/50i SEL] setting is not compatible.
- The file may not be shown properly if the file name is changed on the computer, or the power turned off during generation.
- Formatting the memory card also deletes saved camera profiles.

💡 Tips

- Items that can be saved include setting values for menus, picture profiles, buttons, etc. You can save these setting values all together in the camera profile.

■ LOAD

Load the camera profile, and execute the settings.

- ① Select the camera profile to be loaded with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.
- ② Select [YES] on the confirmation screen.
The camcorder restarts, and the loaded camera profile becomes effective.

Press the MENU button → select  (OTHERS) with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.

Notes

- A camera profile saved on a camcorder with different model name, or edited on a computer cannot be loaded.

SAVE

You can save the camera profile.

- ① Select [NEW FILE] or an existing profile name with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.
- ② Select [YES] on the confirmation screen.
The camera profile is saved.

Tips

- When you select [NEW FILE], the profile is named [01] (when saving for the first time).
- If you select an existing camera profile, the current setting values are overwritten.
- You cannot use a computer to edit saved settings.

DELETE

You can delete the saved camera profile.

- ① Select the camera profile to be deleted with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.
- ② Select [YES] on the confirmation screen.

ASSIGN BUTTON

See page 61.

CLOCK SET

See page 27.

AREA SET

You can adjust a time difference without stopping the clock. When you use your camcorder abroad, you can adjust the clock to the local time.

SUMMERTIME

You can change this setting without stopping the clock. Set to [ON] to move the time forward 1 hour.

OFF

Does not set the summertime.

ON

Sets the summertime.

LANGUAGE

You can select the language to be used on the LCD screen.

Tips

- Your camcorder offers [ENG[SIMP]] (simplified English) in case that you cannot find your native tongue among the options.

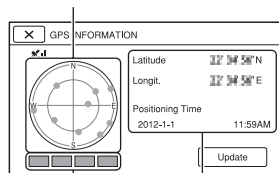
GPS SETTING

See page 59.

GPS INFORMATION

The camcorder displays the triangulating information.

Satellite icons



Triangulating gauge

Information for the location that was previously obtained.

How to check the triangulating information

Color of the satellites/ triangulating gauge	Status
●/■ (black)	No signal, but orbit information for the satellite is available.
●/■ (gray)	33% of the satellite orbit information has been obtained.
●/■ (brown)	66% of the satellite orbit information has been obtained.
●/■ (ocher)	99% of the satellite orbit information has been obtained.
●/■ (green)	Triangulating is completed and the satellite is currently being used.

If data on your current location cannot be obtained

When you cannot obtain your current location, a display that allows you to triangulate the location again appears. In this case, follow the instructions that appears on the LCD screen.

To obtain your current location manually

Touch [Update] to triangulate the location.

To close the triangulating information screen

Touch .

AUTO CLOCK ADJ

The camcorder can maintain accurate time automatically by acquiring time information from the GPS system.

▶ ON

Maintains accurate time automatically.

OFF

Does not maintain accurate time using the GPS system.

ⓘ Notes

- You must set the date and time on your camcorder before using your camcorder (p. 28).
- There may be discrepancies of a few seconds even if [AUTO CLOCK ADJ] is activated.
- This function automatically adjusts the clock when the camcorder receives GPS signals and finishes triangulating successfully while the power is on. Once the clock is adjusted, it will not be adjusted until the next time you turn the camcorder on again.
- The clock may not be adjusted to the correct time automatically using the GPS system, depending on the country/region selected for your camcorder. In this case, set [AUTO CLOCK ADJ] to [OFF].

AUTO AREA ADJ

The camcorder can compensate for time differences automatically by acquiring location information from the GPS system.

▶ ON

Compensates for time differences automatically.

OFF

Does not compensate for time differences automatically.

ⓘ Notes

- You must set the date and time on your camcorder before using your camcorder (p. 28).
- There may be discrepancies of a few seconds even if [AUTO AREA ADJ] is activated.

Press the MENU button → select  (OTHERS) with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.

- The camcorder may not compensate for the time difference automatically, depending on the country/region selected for your camcorder. In this case, set [AUTO AREA ADJ] to [OFF].

DATE REC

▶ OFF

Does not superimpose the date and time on images.

ON

Superimposes the date and time on images.

Tips

- You can set this item only when the interface scanning system is selected.
- When zebra or peaking is activated, the date and time characters are affected by the signal, but properly recorded on images.

BEEP

▶ OFF

Cancels the melody.

ON

Activates a melody when you start/stop recording, or when you are warned with warning indicators, etc.

REC LAMP[F] (Recording lamp [front])

▶ ON

Turns on the front camera recording lamp.

OFF

Turns off the front camera recording lamp.

Tips

- You can assign this function to an ASSIGN button (p. 61).

REC LAMP[R] (Recording lamp [rear])

▶ ON

Turns on the rear camera recording lamp.

OFF

Turns off the rear camera recording lamp.

Tips

- You can assign this function to an ASSIGN button (p. 61).

REMOTE CONTROL

▶ ON

Enables the supplied Wireless Remote Commander (p. 11).

OFF

Disables the supplied Wireless Remote Commander to prevent misoperation by the remote control of another device.

60i/50i SEL

Select the setting according to the video system of the area in which you use your camcorder.

The camcorder restarts automatically in accordance with the setting change.

60i*

Selects this when the video system is NTSC.

50i**

Selects this when the video system is PAL.

* Default setting for NEX-EA50UK/EA50UH

** Default setting for NEX-EA50EK/EA50K/EA50EH/EA50H

Notes

- Recording media formatted or recorded at 60i (50i) cannot be recorded or played back at 50i (60i), and vice versa. If [A movie with a different video signal format from this device has been recorded. Movie recording disabled.] appears on the LCD screen after switching 60i to 50i, or 50i to 60i, try another recording media or perform [MEDIA FORMAT].
- Performing the [MEDIA FORMAT] also deletes protected movies.

MEDIA FORMAT

See page 78.

REPAIR IMAGE DB FILE

See page 79.

USB CONNECT

Select this item when [USB CONNECT] does not appear on the LCD screen by connecting the camcorder to another device with the USB cable.

OPERATION TIME

Displays the total hours of operation in 10-hour increments.

VERSION DISPLAY

Displays the current version of your camcorder and lens. Be sure to check for firmware updates.

Notes

- To perform an update, use the AC Adaptor.

CALIBRATION

See page 126.

Saving images on an external media device

You can save movies and still images on an external media device (USB storage devices), such as an external hard disk drive. You can also play back images on the camcorder or another playback device.

Notes

- Refer also to the instruction manuals supplied with the external media device.

Tips

- You can import images saved on the external media device to your computer by using the supplied software “Content Browser.”

Functions available after saving images on an external media device

- playback of images through the camcorder (p. 105)
- importing images to a computer

Devices that cannot be used as an external media device

You cannot use the following devices as an external media device.

- media devices with a capacity exceeding 2 TB
- ordinary disc drive such as CD or DVD drive
- media devices connected via a USB hub
- media devices with built-in USB hub
- card reader

Notes

- You may not be able to use external media devices with a code function.
- The FAT file system is available for your camcorder. If the storage medium of the external device was formatted for the NTFS file system, etc., format the external media device using the camcorder before use. The format screen appears when an external media device is connected to your camcorder. Make sure that important data has not previously been saved on the external media device before you format it using the camcorder.
- Operation is not assured with every device satisfying requirements for operating.

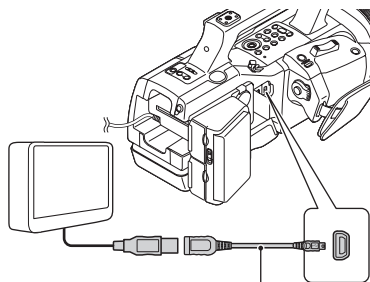
- For details on available external media devices, go to the Sony support website in your country/region.

1 Connect your camcorder to the wall outlet (wall socket) using the AC Adaptor/Charger and the connecting cord DK-415 (supplied) (p. 21).

2 If the external media device has the AC power cable, connect it to the wall outlet (wall socket).

3 Connect the USB Adaptor Cable (supplied) to the external media device.

4 Turn on your camcorder, and connect the USB Adaptor Cable (supplied) to the Ψ (USB) jack of your camcorder.



5 Touch [Copy.] on the LCD screen.

6 Select [MEMORY CARD] or [FMU] that contains the images you want to save.

Images that have not yet been saved on an external media device are saved on the connected media device at this time.

- This operation is available only when there are newly recorded images.

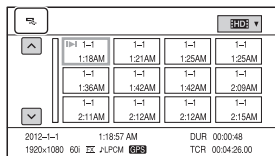
7 After the operation is completed, touch **OK** on the LCD screen.

Notes

- The number of scenes you can save on the external media device are as follows. Even if the external media device has free space, you cannot save scenes exceeding the following number. The number of scenes may be smaller depending on the camcorder setting and the type of images recorded.
 - High definition image quality (HD) movies: Max. 3,999
 - Standard definition image quality (SD) movies: Max. 9,999
 - Still images: Max. 40,000

Playing back images in the external media device on the camcorder

When the camcorder is connected to the external media device, the images saved in the external media device are displayed on the LCD screen of the camcorder. The recording media icon on the VISUAL INDEX screen changes as follows.



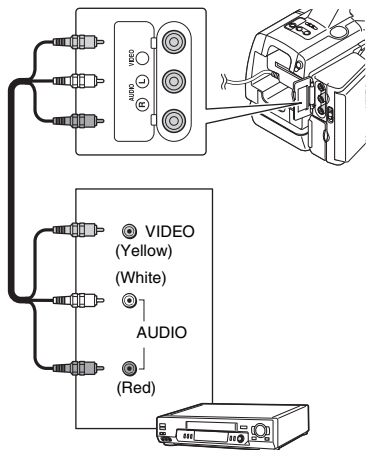
You can make menu settings of the external media device such as deleting images. Press the MENU button and select the **EDIT** menu.

Creating a standard definition image quality (SD) disc with a recorder, etc.

You can copy images on your camcorder onto a disc or video cassette, by connecting your camcorder to a disc recorder with the A/V connecting cable. Refer also to the instruction manuals supplied with the devices to be connected.

🔊 Notes

- High definition image quality (HD) movies will be copied with standard definition image quality (SD).



1 Connect your camcorder to the wall outlet (wall socket) using the AC Adaptor/Charger and the connecting cord DK-415 (supplied) (p. 21).

2 Insert the recording media in the recording device.

If your recording device has an input selector, set it to the input mode.

3 Connect your camcorder to the recording device (a disc recorder, etc.) with the A/V connecting cable (supplied).

Connect your camcorder to the input jacks of the recording device.

4 Start playback on your camcorder, and record it on the recording device.

For details, refer to the instruction manuals supplied with the device to be connected.

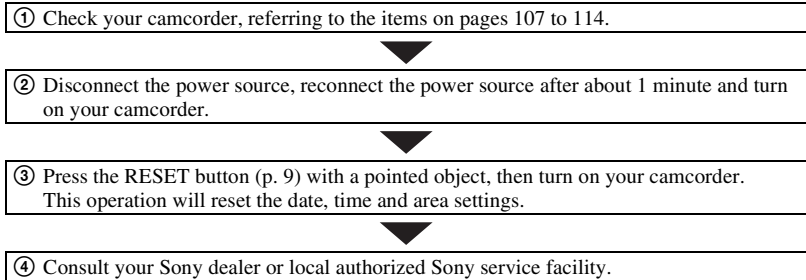
5 When copy is finished, stop the recording device, and then your camcorder.

🔊 Notes

- Since copying is performed via analog data transfer, the image quality may deteriorate.
- You cannot copy images to recorders connected with an HDMI cable.
- When you do not want to display the counter, etc. on the screen of the recording device, press the MENU button, and select **DISPLAY SET** → **[DISPLAY OUTPUT]** → **[LCD PANEL]**.
- To copy date/time information, camera data, and coordinates, press the DATA CODE button and make a desired setting. In addition, press the MENU button, select **DISPLAY SET** → **[DISPLAY OUTPUT]** → **[ALL OUTPUT]**.
- When the screen size of display devices (TV, etc.) is 4:3, set **[DOWN CONVERT TYPE]** (p. 91).
- When you connect a monaural device, connect the yellow plug of the A/V connecting cable to the video input jack, and the white (left channel) or the red (right channel) plug to the audio input jack on the device.

Troubleshooting

If you run into any problems using your camcorder, follow the flow chart below.



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Power sources/LCD screen/Wireless Remote Commander

The power does not turn on or abruptly turns off.

- Attach a charged battery pack to the camcorder (p. 19).
- Use the AC Adaptor/Charger to connect the camcorder to a wall outlet (wall socket) (p. 19).

The camcorder does not operate even when the power is set to on.

- Disconnect the power source (battery or AC Adaptor), then reconnect it after about 1 minute.
- Press the RESET button (p. 9) using a pointed object.

The camcorder gets warm.

- The camcorder may get warmer while you use it. This is not a malfunction.

The remaining battery indicator does not indicate the correct figure.

- Ambient temperature is too high or too low, or the battery pack has not been charged enough. This is not a malfunction.
- Fully charge the battery again. If the problem persists, the battery may be worn-out. Replace it with a new one (p. 19, 123).
- The indicated figure may not be correct in certain circumstances. For example, when you open or close the LCD screen, it takes about 1 minute to display the correct remaining battery.

The battery pack discharges too quickly.

- Ambient temperature is too high or low, or the battery pack has not been charged enough. This is not a malfunction.
 - Fully charge the battery again. If the problem persists, the battery may be worn-out. Replace it with a new one (p. 19, 123).
-

The image on the viewfinder is not clear.

- When the large LCD viewfinder is attached, turn the viewfinder lens adjustment ring until the image appears clearly (p. 30).
-

The supplied Wireless Remote Commander does not function.

- Set [REMOTE CONTROL] to [ON] (p. 102).
 - Remove any obstructions between the Wireless Remote Commander and the remote sensor of the camcorder.
 - Keep strong light sources, such as sunlight or overhead lighting, away from the remote sensor, otherwise the Wireless Remote Commander may not function properly.
 - Insert a fresh battery in the compartment with its +/- terminals matching those of the compartment (p. 11).
-

Another video device malfunctions when you use the supplied Wireless Remote Commander.

- Select a commander mode other than DVD2 for your video device.
 - Cover the sensor of your video device with black paper.
-

When a device is connected to the REMOTE jack, the camcorder or the device does not operate properly.

- The connected device may react slowly to some operations.
- If you disconnect the cable from the device while the cable is still connected to the camcorder's REMOTE jack, the camcorder may not restore the proper settings. Disconnect the cable also from the camcorder's REMOTE jack.

Memory card/flash memory unit

The camcorder does not operate with the memory card inserted.

- The memory card was formatted on a computer. Format it on this camcorder (p. 78).

The data file name is incorrect, or flashing.

- The file is damaged.
- Use a file format supported by your camcorder (p. 120).

The recording media indicator is flashing.

- Something wrong happened to recording media. Stop recording of all recording media, and repair the database file.

Images on the recording media cannot be deleted.

- You can select no more than 100 images to be deleted on the edit screen.
- The images are protected. Unprotect the images (p. 73).

Recording

The recording does not start when you press the START/STOP button.

- The playback screen is displayed. Finish playback operation (p. 65).
- There is no empty space on the recording media. Replace the recording media with a new one, delete unnecessary images (p. 75) or format the recording media (p. 78).
- Total number of movie scenes exceeds the recordable capacity of your camcorder (p. 118). Delete unnecessary images (p. 75).
- The temperature of your camcorder is extremely high. Turn off your camcorder and leave it for a while in a cool place.
- The temperature of your camcorder is extremely low. Turn off your camcorder and leave it for a while in a warm place.
- Something wrong happened to one of recording media. Stop recording of all recording media, and repair the database file.

The access lamp remains lit even after recording was stopped.

- Your camcorder is recording the scene you have just shot on the memory card.

The imaging field looks different.

- The imaging field may look different depending on the condition of your camcorder. This is not a malfunction.

The actual recording time for movies is less than the estimated recording time of the recording media.

- Depending on the recording conditions, the time available for recording may be shorter, for example when recording a fast moving object, etc. (p. 117).

The camcorder does not keep the setting changes.

- Some menu items return to the default setting when the power is turned off.
 - The [EXPANDED FOCUS] setting is not stored.
 - The power sources have been disconnected when the POWER switch was set to ON. Before disconnecting the battery or the AC Adaptor/Charger, set the POWER switch to OFF and make sure that the access lamp is turned off.
-

There is a time difference between the point when the START/STOP button is pressed and the point that the recording movie is started or stopped actually.

- On your camcorder, there may be a slight time difference between the point where you press the START/STOP button and the actual point that recording movie starts/stops. This is not a malfunction.
-

Still image recording takes time.

- The noise reduction processing function is working. This is not a malfunction.
-

The aspect ratio (16:9 (wide)/4:3) cannot be changed.

- The aspect ratio of high definition image quality (HD) movies is 16:9 (wide).
-

Automatic focus does not function.

- Set the FOCUS switch to AUTO to enable the automatic focus function (p. 39).
 - Adjust the focus manually if the automatic focus does not work properly (p. 39).
 - Use an E-mount lens (p. 22).
-

Menu items are grayed out or do not work.

- You cannot select grayed out display items in the current recording/playback situation.
- There are some functions you cannot activate simultaneously. The following list shows examples of unworkable combinations of functions and menu items.

Cannot use	Situation
[ON/OFF] of [AE SHIFT]	All of iris, gain or ISO sensitivity and shutter speed are set manually.
[ZEBRA], [PEAKING]	[COLOR BAR] is set to [ON].
[ON/OFF] of [MARKER]	[EXPANDED FOCUS] is set to [ON].
[TC PRESET]	[TC MAKE] is set to [REGENERATE].
[COLOR BAR]	Movies are being recorded. [EXPANDED FOCUS] is set to [ON].

Iris, gain, ISO sensitivity, shutter speed, or white balance cannot be adjusted manually.

- Set the AUTO/MANUAL switch to MANUAL.

Tiny spots in white, red, blue, or green appear on the LCD screen.

- This phenomenon appears when using a slow shutter speed (p. 47). This is not a malfunction.

The subjects passing by the frame very fast appear crooked.

- This is called the focal plane phenomenon. This is not a malfunction. Because of the way that the image device (CMOS sensor) reads out image signals, the subjects passing by the frame rapidly might appear crooked depending on the recording conditions.

Horizontal stripes appear on the image.

- This occurs when recording pictures under a fluorescent lamp, sodium lamp, or mercury lamp. This is not a malfunction. This can be improved by changing the shutter speed (p. 47).

Black bands appear when you record a TV screen or computer screen.

- This can be improved by adjusting the shutter speed (p. 47).

Fine patterns flicker, diagonal lines look jagged.

- Adjust [DETAIL] to the negative side (p. 58).

The time code is not recorded in sequence.

- The time code may not be recorded sequentially if you change the settings of [HD/SD] SET and [HD] REC FORMAT.

Playback

Refer also to the “Memory card/flash memory unit” section (p. 109).

The desired images cannot be found. Images cannot be played back.

- Select the recording media and image quality of the image you want to play back on the VISUAL INDEX screen (p. 63).
- Image data cannot be played back if you have modified file names or folders, or have edited the data on a computer (When viewing still images, the file name flashes). This is not a malfunction (p. 123).
- Images recorded on other devices may not be played back, or displayed in incorrect size. This is not a malfunction.
- Display the VISUAL INDEX screen, touch twice on the thumbnail of the image you want to play back, or select the thumbnail with ◀/▶/⏪/⏩ buttons and press the EXEC button (p. 64).

The data file name is displayed incorrectly, or flashing.

- The file is damaged.
- The file format is not supported on your camcorder (p. 120).
- Only the file name is displayed, if the folder structure does not conform to the universal standard.

No sound or only a low sound is heard.

- Turn up the volume (p. 65).

Photos cannot be played back.

- Photos may not be playable if the folder/file name is changed, or images are edited on a computer (the file name flashes). This is not a malfunction.

“---” is displayed on the LCD screen.

- Bars will be displayed for the camera data of the movies recorded with [COLOR BAR] set to [ON].
- Bars will be displayed for the exposure compensation value and flash information of the still images created with [PHOTO CAPTURE].

Multi ch appears on the LCD screen.

- This appears when you play back movies recorded with 5.1ch surround sound. 5.1ch surround sound is down-mixed to 2ch stereo and played back on your camcorder.

Connecting to TV

Neither image nor sound is played back on the TV connected with the component video cable.

- Set [VIDEO OUT] according to the requirements of the connected device (p. 91).
- When you are using the component video cable, make sure that you connect the red and white plugs of the A/V connecting cable (p. 70).


Neither image nor sound is played back on the TV connected with the HDMI cable.

- Images are not output from the HDMI OUT jack, if copyright protection signals are recorded in the images.
- Signals are not output from the HDMI OUT jack when the USB jack is connected.

Neither image nor sound is played back on the TV, projector, or AV amplifier connected with the HDMI cable.

- If you cannot view images or hear sound on the TV, projector, or AV amplifier connected with the HDMI cable, try disconnecting and connecting the HDMI cable, or turn on your camcorder again.

The image appears distorted on the 4:3 TV.

- This happens when viewing a movie recorded in the 16:9 (wide) mode on a 4:3 TV. Select  (REC/OUT SET) → [VIDEO OUT] → [DOWN CONVERT TYPE] → the appropriate down conversion type (p. 91).

Black zone appears at top and bottom of a 4:3 TV screen.

- This happens when viewing a movie recorded in the 16:9 (wide) mode on a 4:3 TV. This is not a malfunction.

Copying/Editing/Connecting to other devices

Time code and other information appear on the display of the connected device.

- Set [DISPLAY OUTPUT] to [LCD PANEL] when you connect a device with the A/V connecting cable (p. 97).

Copy cannot be done correctly using the A/V connecting cable.

- The A/V connecting cable is not connected properly. Make sure that the A/V connecting cable is connected to the input jack of the device.

Sound cannot be added to the recording media after recording.

- You cannot add sound to the recording media after recording on your camcorder.

Copy cannot be done correctly using the HDMI cable.

- You cannot copy movies using the HDMI cable.

GPS

The camcorder is not receiving a GPS signal.

- Your camcorder may not be able to receive radio signals from GPS satellites because of obstructions. Bring your camcorder to an open area. For details on places where radio signals do not reach, see page 121.
- When you use the camcorder where it is difficult to receive GPS signals, try the triangulating priority mode (p. 59).

The triangulating location is different from the actual current location.

- If your camcorder receives the radio signal reflected by surrounding buildings, or weak radio signals, the margin of error can be as wide as several-hundred meters, at a maximum.

Connecting to a computer

The computer does not recognize the camcorder.

- Disconnect the cable from the computer, then connect it again securely.
- Disconnect the cable from your computer and camcorder. Reboot your computer, and connect your computer and camcorder following the steps in the correct order.

Movies cannot be viewed or copied to the computer.

- Disconnect the cable from the computer, then connect it again.
- You need to install the supplied “Content Browser” to copy movies from your camcorder to your computer.

Warning indicators and messages

Self-diagnosis display/Warning indicators

When an error occurs, a warning indicator appears on the LCD screen. You can fix some problems associated with the symptoms yourself. If the problem persists even after you have tried a couple of times, contact your Sony dealer or local authorized Sony service facility.

C:04:□□

- The battery pack is not an “InfoLITHIUM” battery pack. Use an “InfoLITHIUM” battery pack (p. 123).

C:06:□□

- The battery pack is too hot. Replace the battery pack, or remove the battery pack and put it in a cool place.

C:13:□□

- Remove the recording media. After installing them again, operate your camcorder.


C:32:□□

- Remove the power source. Reconnect it and operate your camcorder again.

E:□□:□□

- Try the steps ② to ④ on page 107.

(Battery level warning)

- The battery pack is nearly used up.
- Depending on the operation, environment, or battery conditions,  may flash, even if around 10% is displayed as the battery remaining figure.

(Warning indicator pertaining to battery pack temperature)

- The battery pack is too hot. Replace the battery pack, or remove the battery pack and put it in a cool place.

(Warning indicator pertaining to memory cards)

Slow flashing

- Free spaces for recording images are running out. For the type of memory cards you can use with your camcorder, see page 31.
- No memory card is inserted (p. 31).

Fast flashing

- There are not enough free spaces for recording images. Delete unnecessary images (p. 75), or format the memory card (p. 78) after storing the images on other media (p. 104).
- The image database file may be damaged (p. 79).

(Warning indicator pertaining to memory card formatting)*

- The memory card is damaged.
- The memory card is not formatted correctly (p. 78).

(Warning indicator pertaining to incompatible memory cards)*

- Incompatible memory card is inserted (p. 31).

(Warning indicator pertaining to the write-protect of the memory card)*

- The write-protect switch is set to lock position on the memory card.
- Access to the memory card was restricted on another device.

FMU (Warning indicator pertaining to a flash memory unit)

Slow flashing

- Free spaces for recording images are running out. For the flash memory unit you can use with your camcorder, see page 32.
- No flash memory unit is attached (p. 32).

Fast flashing

- There are not enough free spaces for recording images. Delete unnecessary images (p. 75), or format the flash memory unit (p. 78) after storing the images on other media (p. 104).
- The image database file may be damaged (p. 79).

FMU (Warning indicator pertaining to a flash memory unit formatting)*

- The flash memory unit is damaged.
- The flash memory unit is not formatted correctly (p. 78).

(Warning indicator pertaining to the external media device)

- The image database file may be damaged (p. 79).
- The external media device is damaged.

(Warning indicator pertaining to formatting of the external media device)

- The external media device is damaged.
- Format the external media device correctly. If the message still appears, reconnect the external media device, then format it. Note that if you format the external media device, all the recorded movies and still images are deleted.
- If you cannot format the external media device, the external media device may be incompatible with your camcorder, or damaged. Replace it with a new one.

* When [BEEP] is set to [ON] (p. 102), you hear a melody when the warning indicators appear on the LCD screen.

Warning messages

If messages appear on the LCD screen, follow the instructions.

Recording time of movies and the number of recordable photos

Estimated time of recording and playback with each battery pack

Approximate time available when you use a fully charged battery pack.

Recording time

(unit: minute)

Battery pack	Continuous recording time		Typical recording time	
	60i	50i	60i	50i
NP-F770	360	360	220	220
NP-F970	540	540	330	330

Notes

- Recording format
When selecting [60i]: 1080/24p FX
When selecting [50i]: 1080/25p FX
- Using the E 18-200mm F3.5-6.3 OSS lens
- Using ECM-XM1* microphone connected to the INPUT1 jack
- Using a memory card
- Typical recording time shows the time when you repeat recording start/stop, turning on/off, and so on.
- Times measured when using the camcorder at 25 °C (77 °F).
- Both recording and playback time will be shorter when you use your camcorder in low temperatures. It is recommended that you use the camcorder from 10 °C to 30 °C (50 °F to 86 °F).
- The recording and playback time will be shorter depending on the conditions under which you use your camcorder.

* NEX-EA50UH/EA50EH/EA50H only

Playing time

(unit: minute)

Battery pack	60i	50i
NP-F770	480	480
NP-F970	725	725

Estimated recording time of movies

High definition image quality (HD)

■ When [HD] AUDIO FORMAT is set to [LINEAR PCM]

(unit: minute)

	PS	FX	FH	HQ	LP
16	70	80	110	185	295
GB	(70)	(80)	(110)	(145)	(250)
32	145	170	225	375	590
GB	(145)	(170)	(225)	(290)	(510)
64	290	340	450	750	1190
GB	(290)	(340)	(450)	(590)	(1025)

■ When [HD] AUDIO FORMAT is set to [DOLBY DIGITAL]

(unit: minute)

	PS	FX	FH	HQ	LP
16	75	90	120	215	380
GB	(75)	(90)	(120)	(165)	(310)
32	150	180	245	440	770
GB	(150)	(180)	(245)	(330)	(630)
64	305	360	495	880	1545
GB	(305)	(360)	(495)	(665)	(1260)

Recording time of movies and the number of recordable photos (Continued)

Standard definition image quality (SD)

(unit: minute)

	HQ
16 GB	225 (210)
32 GB	460 (420)
64 GB	920 (845)

- When using Sony memory card.

Notes

- The recordable time may vary depending on the recording conditions, subjects, and [REC SET] (p. 90).
- The number in () is the minimum recordable time.

Tips

- You can record movies of a maximum of 3,999 scenes with high definition image quality (HD), and 9,999 scenes with standard definition image quality (SD).
- The maximum continuous recording time for a movie is approximately 13 hours.
- Your camcorder uses the VBR (Variable Bit Rate) format to automatically adjust image quality to suit the recording scene. This technology causes fluctuations in the recording time of the media. Movies containing quickly moving and complex images are recorded at a higher bit-rate, and this reduces the overall recording time.

- The number of recordable photos of memory card may vary depending on the recording conditions.

Tips

- Bit-rate (movie + audio, etc.), number of pixels, and aspect ratio of each recording mode of movies are as follows.
 - High definition image quality (HD)
PS: max. 28 Mbps 1,920 × 1,080/16:9,
FX: max. 24 Mbps 1,920 × 1,080/16:9,
1,280 × 720/16:9
FH: approx. 17 Mbps (ave.)
1,920 × 1,080/16:9, 1,280 × 720/16:9
HQ: approx. 9 Mbps (ave.)
1,440 × 1,080/16:9
LP: approx. 5 Mbps (ave.) 1,440 × 1,080/16:9
 - Standard definition image quality (SD)
HQ: approx. 9 Mbps (ave.) 720 × 480, 720 × 576/16:9, 4:3
- Number of pixels and aspect ratio of still images
 - Recording still image:
4,912 × 3,264 dots/3:2
4,912 × 2,760 dots/16:9
3,568 × 2,368 dots/3:2
3,568 × 2,000 dots/16:9
2,448 × 1,624 dots/3:2
2,448 × 1,376 dots/16:9
 - Capturing a still image from a movie:
1,920 × 1,080 dots/16:9
640 × 360 dots/16:9
640 × 480 dots/4:3

Expected number of recordable photos

Memory card

	JPEG
16 GB	2400
32 GB	4800
64 GB	9600

- When using Sony memory card.
- The number of recordable photos of memory card shown is for the maximum image size of your camcorder. The actual number of recordable photos is displayed on the LCD screen during recording (p. 12).

Using your camcorder abroad

Power supply

You can use your camcorder in any country/region using the AC Adaptor/Charger supplied with your camcorder within the AC 100 V to 240 V, 50 Hz/60 Hz range.

Viewing on TV

Before recording a movie with your camcorder for viewing on a TV, set [60i/50i SEL] to the appropriate TV system for the country/region in which you intended to view the movie. The following shows which countries and regions require [60i] or [50i] setting.

Countries/regions that require [60i] on [60i/50i SEL]

Bahama Islands, Bolivia, Canada, Central America, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana, Jamaica, Japan, Korea, Mexico, Peru, Surinam, Taiwan, the Philippines, the U.S.A., Venezuela, etc.

Countries/regions that require [50i] on [60i/50i SEL]

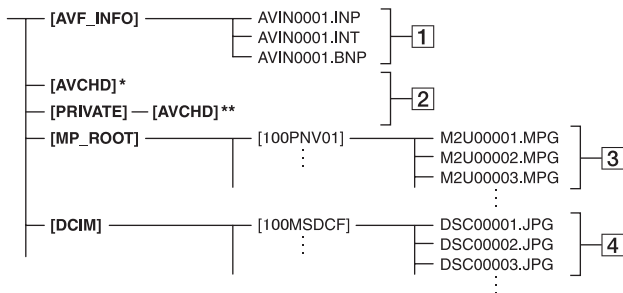
Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, China, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Guiana, Holland, Hong Kong, Hungary, Iran, Iraq, Italy, Kuwait, Malaysia, Monaco, New Zealand, Norway, Paraguay, Poland, Portugal, Russia, Singapore, Slovak Republic, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Ukraine, United Kingdom, Uruguay, etc.

Simple setting of the clock by time difference

When you are abroad, you can easily adjust the clock to the local time by setting the time difference. Select [AREA SET], then set the time difference (p. 100).

File/folder structure on the memory card and the flash memory unit

The file/folder structure is shown below. You do not usually need to acknowledge the file/folder structure, when recording/playing back movies and still images on the camcorder.



* “Memory Stick PRO Duo” media, flash memory unit

**SD memory card, SDHC memory card, SDXC memory card

1 Image management files

When you delete the files, you cannot record/play back the images correctly. The files are defaulted as hidden files and not usually displayed.

2 HD movie management information folder

This folder contains recording data of high definition image quality (HD) movies. Do not try to open this folder or access the contents of this folder from a computer. Doing so might damage image files, or prevent image files from being played back.

3 SD movie files (MPEG-2 files)

The extension of the files is “.MPG”. The maximum size is 2 GB. When the capacity of a file exceeds 2 GB, the file becomes divided. The file numbers go up automatically. When the capacity of a file number exceeds 9999, another folder is created to record new movie files. The folder name goes up: [100PNV01] → [101PNV01]

4 Still image files (JPEG files)

The extension of the files is “.JPG”. The file numbers go up automatically. When the capacity of a file number exceeds

9999, another folder is created to store new still image files. The folder name goes up: [100MSDCF] → [101MSDCF]

- Do not modify the files or folders on the camcorder from the computer. The image files may be destroyed or may not be played back. Operation is not guaranteed, if you perform this operation.
- When you delete image files, follow the steps on page 75. Do not delete the image files on the camcorder directly from the computer.
- Do not format the recording media in the camcorder using a computer. The camcorder may not operate correctly.
- Do not copy the files on the recording media from a computer. Operation is not guaranteed.
- Use the supplied application software “Content Browser” to import data from the recording media to a computer.

Maintenance and precautions

About the AVCHD format

What is the AVCHD format?

The AVCHD format is a high definition digital video camera format used to record an HD (high definition) signal, using efficient data compression coding technology. The MPEG-4 AVC/H.264 format is adopted to compress video data, and the Dolby Digital or Linear PCM system is used to compress audio data. The MPEG-4 AVC/H.264 format is capable of compressing images at higher efficiency than that of the conventional image compressing format.

- Because the AVCHD format uses a data compression system, images may be distorted in scenes where the image, angle, or brightness changes drastically. This is not a malfunction.

Recording and playback on your camcorder

Based on the AVCHD format, your camcorder records with the HD (high definition) image quality. In addition to HD (high definition) image quality, your camcorder is capable of recording a standard definition (SD) signal in the conventional MPEG-2 format.

Video signal*: MPEG-4 AVC/H.264

- When selecting [60i]
1920 × 1080/60p, 1920 × 1080/60i,
1920 × 1080/24p, 1280 × 720/60p,
1440 × 1080/60i
- When selecting [50i]
1920 × 1080/50p, 1920 × 1080/50i,
1280 × 720/50p, 1440 × 1080/50i

Audio signal: Dolby Digital 2ch, Linear PCM 2 ch

Recording media: memory card (sold separately), flash memory unit (sold separately)

* Data recorded in AVCHD format other than the above mentioned cannot be played back on your camcorder.

About GPS

The GPS (Global Positioning System) is a system that calculates geographical location from highly accurate US space satellites. This system allows you to pinpoint your exact location on the earth.

The GPS satellites are located in 6 orbits, 20,000 km above the earth. The GPS system consists of 24 or more GPS satellites. A GPS receiver receives radio signals from the satellites, and calculates the current location of the receiver based on the orbital information (almanac data) and travel time of the signals, etc.

Determining a location is called “triangulating.” A GPS receiver can determine the location’s latitude and longitude by receiving signals from 3 or more satellites.

- As the positions of GPS satellites vary constantly, it may take longer to determine the location or the receiver may not be able to determine the location at all, depending on the location and time you use the camcorder.
- “GPS” is a system for determining geographic location by triangulating radio signals from GPS satellites. Avoid using the camcorder in places where radio signals are blocked or reflected, such as a shadowy place surrounded by buildings or trees, etc. Use the camcorder in open sky environments.
- You may not be able to record location information at locations or in situations where radio signals from the GPS satellites do not reach the camcorder as follows.
 - In tunnels, indoors or under the shade of buildings.
 - Between tall buildings or at narrow streets surrounded by buildings.
 - In underground locations, locations surrounded by dense trees, under an elevated bridge, or in locations where magnetic fields are generated, such as near high voltage cables.
 - Near devices that generate radio signals of the same frequency band as the camcorder: near 1.5 GHz band mobile telephones, etc.

On triangulating errors

- If you move to another location right after setting [GPS SETTING] to [ON] in the menu, it may take a longer time for the camcorder to start triangulating, compared to when you stay in the same place.
- Error caused by the position of GPS satellites
The camcorder automatically triangulates your current location when the camcorder receives radio signals from 3 or more GPS satellites. The triangulating error allowed by the GPS satellites is about 10 m (33 feet). Depending on the environment of the location, the triangulating error can be greater. In this case, your actual location may not match the location on the map based on the GPS information. Meanwhile, the GPS satellites are controlled by the United States Department of Defense, and the degree of accuracy may be changed intentionally.
- Error during the triangulating process
The camcorder acquires location information periodically during triangulating.

On the restriction of use of GPS

Use GPS in accordance with the regulations of the situation, the countries/regions of use.

On the geographic coordinate system

The “WGS-84” geographic coordinate system is used.

About the memory card

- A memory card formatted by a computer (Windows OS/Mac OS) does not have guaranteed compatibility with your camcorder.
- Data read/write speed may vary depending on the combination of the memory card and memory card compliant product you use.
- Damaged or lost image data will not be compensated for, and may occur in the following cases:
 - If you eject the memory card, turn the power off on your camcorder, or remove the battery pack for replacement while your camcorder is reading or writing image files on the memory card (while the access lamp is lit or flashing).
 - If you use the memory card near magnets or magnetic fields.
- It is recommended to make a back-up of important data on the hard disk of a computer.
- Do not attach a label or the like on memory card or a memory card adaptor.
- Do not touch, or allow metallic objects to come into contact with the terminals.
- Do not bend, drop or apply strong force to the memory card.
- Do not disassemble or modify the memory card.
- Do not let the memory card get wet.
- Be careful to keep memory card out of the reach of small children. There is danger that a child might swallow it.
- Do not insert anything other than the compliant size of memory card into the memory card slot. Doing so may cause a malfunction.
- Do not use or keep the memory card in the following locations:
 - Places subject to extremely high temperature, such as a car parked outside in the summer
 - Places under direct sunlight
 - Places with extremely high humidity or subject to corrosive gases

■ On the memory card adaptor

When inserting memory card into a memory card adaptor, make sure the memory card is inserted facing in the correct direction, then insert it all the way in. Note that improper use may cause a malfunction.

On image data compatibility

- Image data files recorded on a memory card by your camcorder conform to the “Design rule for Camera File system” universal standard established by the JEITA (Japan Electronics and Information Technology Industries Association).
- If you cannot use the memory card that has been used with another device, format it with your camcorder (p. 78). Note that formatting erases all information on the memory card.
- You may not be able to play back images with your camcorder:
 - When playing back image data modified on your computer.
 - When playing back image data recorded with other devices.

About the “Memory Stick” media

Types of “Memory Stick” media	Recording /Playback
“Memory Stick Duo” media (with MagicGate)	–
“Memory Stick XC-HG Duo” media	✓
“Memory Stick PRO Duo” media (Mark2)	✓
“Memory Stick PRO-HG Duo” media	✓

- This product supports parallel data transfer. However, the transfer speed may differ, depending on the type of media you use.
- This product cannot record or play data that uses “MagicGate” technology. “MagicGate” is a copyright protection technology that records and transfers the contents in an encrypted format.

About the “InfoLITHIUM” battery pack

Your camcorder operates only with an “InfoLITHIUM” L series battery pack of a large capacity, such as NP-F770 (supplied) and NP-F970 (sold separately). You cannot use NP-F570.

“InfoLITHIUM” L series battery packs have the  mark.

What is an “InfoLITHIUM” battery pack?

An “InfoLITHIUM” battery pack is a lithium-ion battery pack that has functions for communicating information related to operating conditions between your camcorder and a supplied AC Adaptor/Charger.

The “InfoLITHIUM” battery pack displays the remaining battery time in % according to the operating situations of your camcorder.

To charge the battery pack

- Be sure to charge the battery pack before you start using your camcorder.
- We recommend charging the battery pack in an ambient temperature of from 10 °C to 30 °C (50 °F to 86 °F) until the charge lamp of the AC Adaptor/Charger turns off. If you charge the battery pack outside of this temperature range, you may not be able to charge it efficiently.

To use the battery pack effectively






- Battery pack performance decreases when the ambient temperature is 10 °C (50 °F) or below, and the length of time you can use the battery pack becomes shorter. In that case, do one of the following to use the battery pack for a longer time.
 - Put the battery pack in a pocket to warm it up, and install it in your camcorder right before you start taking shots.
 - Use a large capacity battery pack: NP-F970 (sold separately).

Maintenance and precautions (Continued)

- Be sure to set the POWER switch to OFF when not recording or playing back on your camcorder. The battery pack is also consumed when your camcorder is in recording standby or playback pause.
- Have spare battery packs ready for 2 or 3 times the expected recording time, and make trial recordings before making the actual recording.
- Do not expose the battery pack to water. The battery pack is not water resistant.

About the remaining battery indicator

- Check the level with the following indicators and % displayed on the LCD screen.

Battery remaining indicator	%
	81% to 100%
	51% to 80%
	21% to 50%
	1% to 20%
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- The displayed level may not be correct under certain circumstances.
- When the power goes off even though the remaining battery time indicator indicates that the battery pack has enough power to operate, charge the battery pack fully again. Remaining battery time will be indicated correctly. Note, however, that the battery indication will not be restored if it is used in high temperatures for a long time, or if left in a fully charged state, or when the battery pack is frequently used. Use the remaining battery time indication as a rough guide only.

About storage of the battery pack

- If the battery pack is not used for a long time, fully charge the battery pack and use it up on your camcorder once a year to maintain proper function. To store the battery pack, remove it from your camcorder and put it in a dry, cool place.
- To discharge the battery pack on your camcorder completely, leave your camcorder in recording standby until the power goes off.

About battery life

- Battery capacity decreases over time and through repeated use. If decreased usage time between charges becomes significant, it is probably time to replace it with a new one.
- Each battery's life is governed by storage, operating and environmental conditions.

About charging the battery pack

- Use the Charger (supplied) to charge the designated batteries only. If you charge other types of batteries, those batteries may leak, heat up, burst, or give an electric shock, resulting in burns or injury.
- Remove the charged battery from the Charger.
- The CHARGE lamp of the supplied Charger flashes in 2 patterns as follows:
Fast-flashing...Turns on and off rapidly at about 0.15-second intervals.
Slow-flashing...Turns on and off alternately for about 1.5 seconds, and turns off completely for about 1.5 seconds. The lamp repeats this sequence.
- If the CHARGE lamp is fast-flashing, remove the battery that is being charged, and then re-attach the same battery again firmly. If the CHARGE lamp continues fast-flashing, the cause could be that the battery is damaged, or the battery is not a designated type. Check the battery to confirm whether it is a designated type or not. If it is a designated type, remove the battery first, and then attach a brand-new battery or another known-to-be-good battery to see if the Charger is working correctly. If the Charger is working correctly, the cause could be that the battery is damaged.
- If the CHARGE lamp is slow-flashing, the Charger is in standby mode and charging is suspended. When the ambient temperature is out of the appropriate temperature range for charging, the Charger suspends charging automatically and enters standby mode. When the ambient temperature returns to an appropriate temperature, the Charger restarts charging and the CHARGE lamp lights up. We recommend charging the battery pack in an ambient temperature of from 10 °C to 30 °C (50 °F to 86 °F).

About handling of your camcorder

On use and care

- Do not use or store the camcorder and accessories in the following locations.
 - Anywhere extremely hot or cold. Never leave them exposed to temperatures above 60 °C (140 °F), such as under direct sunlight, near heaters or in a car parked in the sun. They may malfunction or become deformed.
 - Near strong magnetic fields or mechanical vibration. The camcorder may malfunction.
 - Near strong radio waves or radiation. The camcorder may not be able to record properly.
 - Near AM receivers and video equipment. Noise may occur.
 - On a sandy beach or anywhere dusty. If sand or dust gets in your camcorder, the camcorder may malfunction. Sometimes this malfunction cannot be repaired.
 - Near windows or outdoors, where the LCD screen, the viewfinder, or the lens may be exposed to direct sunlight. This damages the inside of the viewfinder or the LCD screen.
 - Anywhere very humid.
- Operate your camcorder on DC 7.2 V (battery pack) or DC 7.6 V (AC Adaptor).
- For DC or AC operation, use the accessories recommended in these operating instructions.
- Do not let your camcorder get wet, for example, from rain or sea water. If your camcorder gets wet, it may malfunction. Sometimes this malfunction cannot be repaired.
- If any solid object or liquid gets inside the casing, unplug your camcorder and have it checked by a Sony dealer before operating it any further.
- Avoid rough handling, disassembling, modifying, physical shock, or impact such as hammering, dropping or stepping on the product. Be particularly careful of the lens.
- Do not use a deformed or damaged battery pack.
- Keep the POWER switch set to OFF when you are not using your camcorder.
- Do not wrap your camcorder with a towel, for example, and operate it. Doing so might cause heat to build up inside.
- When disconnecting the power cord (mains lead), pull it by the plug and not the lead.

- Do not damage the power cord (mains lead) such as by placing anything heavy on it.
- Keep metal contacts clean.
- Keep the Wireless Remote Commander and button-type battery out of children's reach. If the battery is accidentally swallowed, consult a doctor immediately.
- If the battery electrolytic liquid has leaked,
 - consult your local authorized Sony service facility.
 - wash off any liquid that may have contacted your skin.
 - if any liquid gets in your eyes, wash with plenty of water and consult a doctor.

■ When not using your camcorder for a long time

- Turn on the camcorder and record and play back images about once a month to keep it in an optimum state for a long time.
- Use up the battery pack completely before storing it.

Moisture condensation

If your camcorder is brought directly from a cold place to a warm place, moisture may condense inside your camcorder and cause a malfunction of your camcorder.

■ If moisture condensation has occurred

Leave your camcorder for about 1 hour without turning it on.

■ Note on moisture condensation

Moisture may condense when you bring your camcorder from a cold place into a warm place (or vice versa) or when you use your camcorder in a humid place as shown below.

- When you bring your camcorder from a ski slope into a place warmed up by a heating device.
- When you bring your camcorder from an air conditioned car or room into a hot place outside.
- When you use your camcorder after a squall or a shower.
- When you use your camcorder in a hot and humid place.

Maintenance and precautions (Continued)

■ How to avoid moisture condensation

When you bring your camcorder from a cold place into a warm place, put your camcorder in a plastic bag and seal it tightly. Remove the bag when the air temperature inside the plastic bag has reached the ambient temperature (after about 1 hour).

LCD screen

- Do not exert excessive pressure on the LCD screen, as it may cause damage.
- If your camcorder is used in a cold place, a residual image may appear on the LCD screen. This is not a malfunction.
- While using your camcorder, the back of the LCD screen may heat up. This is not a malfunction.


■ To clean the LCD screen

The LCD screen is covered with a coating. The coating may be peeled off by scratching or rubbing. Maintain the LCD screen as follows.

- Wipe fingerprints or hand cream off the LCD screen as soon as possible, as they may cause the coating to peel off.
- If you rub the LCD screen hard, even with a tissue, the coating may be damaged.
- Before wiping the LCD screen, blow dust or sand off with a dust blower, etc.
- Wipe dirt off the LCD screen with a clean, soft cloth, such as an eye glass cleaning cloth, etc.

■ To adjust the touch panel (CALIBRATION)

The buttons on the touch panel may not work correctly. If this happens, follow the procedure below. It is recommended that you connect your camcorder to the wall outlet (wall socket) using the supplied AC Adaptor/Charger during the operation.

- ① Press the MENU button → select  (OTHERS) → [CALIBRATION] with the SEL/PUSH EXEC dial.



- ② Touch “x” displayed on the LCD screen with the corner of memory card or the like 3 times.

⚙ Notes

- If you did not press the right spot, try the calibration again.
- Do not use a sharp-pointed object for calibration. Doing so may damage the LCD screen.
- You cannot perform the calibration when the LCD screen is turned around, or facing up and closed to the camcorder

Casing

- If the casing is soiled, clean the camcorder body with a soft cloth lightly moistened with water, and then wipe the casing with a dry soft cloth.
- Avoid the following to prevent damage to the finish.
 - Using chemicals such as thinner, benzine, alcohol, chemical cloths, repellent, insecticide and sunscreen.
 - Handling with above substances on your hands.
 - Leaving the casing in contact with rubber or vinyl objects for a long period of time.

Care and storage of the lens

- Wipe the surface of the lens clean with a soft cloth in the following instances:
 - When there are fingerprints on the lens surface.
 - In hot or humid locations
 - When the lens is exposed to salty air such as at the seaside.
- Store in a well-ventilated location subject to little dirt or dust.
- To prevent mold, periodically clean the lens as described above.

Charging the pre-installed rechargeable battery

Your camcorder has a pre-installed rechargeable battery to retain the date, time, and other settings even when the POWER switch is set to OFF. The pre-installed rechargeable battery is always charged while your camcorder is connected to the wall outlet (wall socket) via the AC Adaptor/Charger or while the battery pack is attached. The rechargeable battery will be fully discharged in about **3 months** if you do not use your camcorder at all without the AC Adaptor/Charger connected or the battery pack attached. Use your camcorder after charging the pre-installed rechargeable battery.

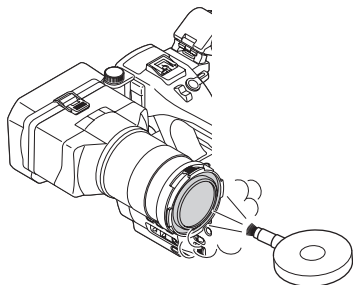
However, even if the pre-installed rechargeable battery is not charged, the camcorder operation will not be affected as long as you are not recording the date.

■ Procedures

Connect your camcorder to a wall outlet (wall socket) using the supplied AC Adaptor/Charger, and leave it with the POWER switch set to OFF for more than 24 hours.

Removing dust from inside the viewfinder

Remove dust inside the eye piece and viewfinder with a blower.



Note on disposal/transfer of the recording media

Even if you format the recording media or delete data from the recording media using your camcorder or computer, you cannot delete data from the recording media completely.

When you transfer the recording media, it is recommended that you delete the data completely using commercially available data deletion software to prevent the recovery of your data. Also, when you dispose of the recording media, it is recommended that you destroy the actual body of the recording media.

Specifications

System

Video signal

NTSC color, EIA standards
HDTV 1080/60i, 1080/60p, 720/60p
specification
PAL color, CCIR standards
HDTV 1080/50i, 1080/50p, 720/50p
specification

Video recording system

HD image quality: MPEG-4 AVC/
H.264 AVCHD format Ver. 2.0
compatible
SD image quality: MPEG-2 PS

Audio recording system

Linear PCM 2ch (48 kHz 16-bit)
Dolby Digital 2ch (48 kHz 16-bit)
Dolby Digital Stereo Creator employed

Still image recording system

DCF Ver. 2.0 Compatible
Exif Ver. 2.3 Compatible
MPF Baseline Compatible

Recording media (movies/still images)

“Memory Stick PRO Duo” media
Flash memory units
SD card (Class 4 or faster)


Image device

23.5 mm × 15.6 mm (APS-C type)
COMS sensor
Recording pixels (photo, 3:2):
Max. 16 000 000 pixels (4 912 × 3 264)
(JPEG)
Gross: Approx. 16 700 000 pixels
Effective (movie, 16:9):
Approx. 13 600 000 pixels
Effective (photo, 16:9):
Approx. 13 600 000 pixels
Effective (photo, 3:2):
Approx. 16 100 000 pixels

Lens

E-mount lens
11 × (Optical)
Filter diameter: 67 mm (2 3/4 in.)
F3.5 ~ 6.3
Focal length:
f=18 mm ~ 200 mm
(23/32 in. ~ 7 7/8 in.)
When converted to a 35 mm still
camera
For movies: 29 mm ~ 322 mm
(1 3/16 in. ~ 12 3/4 in.) (16:9)
27 mm ~ 300 mm (1 1/8 in. ~ 11 7/8 in.)
(4:3)

Color temperature

[AUTO]
 (one push) A/B
[INDOOR] (3 200K)
[OUTDOOR] (5 600K)

Minimum illumination

4 lx (lux)* with Shutter Speed 1/24,
auto gain control, auto iris (when
selecting [60i])
4 lx (lux)* with Shutter Speed 1/25,
auto gain control, auto iris (when
selecting [50i])

* Using the supplied lens.

Input/output connectors

VIDEO OUT jack

Pin connector
1 Vp-p, 75 Ω (ohms) unbalanced, sync
negative

AUDIO OUT jacks

Pin connectors
-10 dBu (at load impedance 47 kΩ
(kilohms)), Output impedance with less
than 2.2 kΩ (kilohms)
(0 dBu = 0.775 Vrms)

COMPONENT OUT jack

Pin connectors
Y: 1 Vp-p, 75 Ω (ohms)
PB/PR, CB/CR: 0.7 Vp-p, 75 Ω (ohms)

REMOTE jack

Stereo mini-minijack (Ø 2.5 mm)

HDMI OUT jack

HDMI Connector (Type A)

USB jack

mini-AB

🎧 (headphones) jack

Stereo minijack (Ø 3.5 mm)

INPUT1/INPUT2 jacks

XLR 3-pin × 2, female,

MIC: -48 dBu/3 kΩ (kilohms)

LINE: +4 dBu/10 kΩ (kilohms)

(0 dBu = 0.775 Vrms)

LCD screen**Picture**

8.8 cm (3.5 type, aspect ratio 16:9)

Total dot number

921 600 (1 920 × 480)

General**Power requirements**

DC 7.2 V (battery pack)

DC 8.4 V (AC Adaptor)

Average power consumption

During camera recording using the internal microphone, LCD with normal brightness and the supplied lens.

When selecting [60i]: 5.4 W

When selecting [50i]: 5.4 W

When Flash Memory Unit HXR-FMU128 is used, the average power consumption increases about 1.1 W.

Operating temperature

0 °C to 40 °C (32 °F to 104 °F)

Storage temperature

-20 °C to +60 °C (-4 °F to +140 °F)

Dimensions (approx.)

Camcorder body only (including the projecting parts):

142.5 mm × 203 mm × 285.5 mm

(5 5/8 in. × 8 in. × 11 1/4 in.) (w/h/d)

When recording (including the projecting parts):

142.5 mm × 203 mm × 429.5 mm

(5 5/8 in. × 8 in. × 17 in.) (w/h/d) (With

the accessories (lens, lens hood, large LCD viewfinder, large eyecup attached.))

Mass (approx.)

Camcorder body only:

1 720 g (3 lb 12.7 oz)

When recording:

NEX-EA50UH/EA50EH/EA50H:

2 980 g (6 lb 9.1 oz) (With the

accessories (battery pack (NP-F770), lens, lens hood, large LCD viewfinder, large eyecup and microphone (ECM-XM1), flash memory unit jack cover) attached.)

NEX-EA50UK/EA50EK/EA50K:

2 740 g (6 lb 0.7 oz) (With the

accessories (battery pack (NP-F770), lens, lens hood, large LCD viewfinder, large eyecup and flash memory unit jack cover) attached.)

AC Adaptor/Charger AC-VL1**Power requirements**

AC 100 V - 240 V, 50 Hz/60 Hz

Power consumption

22 W

Output voltage

DC 8.4 V*

Operating temperature

0 °C to 40 °C (32 °F to 104 °F)

Storage temperature

-20 °C to +60 °C (-4 °F to +140 °F)

Specifications (Continued)

Dimensions (approx.)

136 mm × 51 mm × 90 mm
(5 3/8 in. × 2 1/8 in. × 3 5/8 in.) (w/h/d)
excluding the projecting parts

Mass (approx.)

270 g (9.6 oz) excluding the power cord
(mains lead)

* See the label on the AC Adaptor/Charger for other specifications.

Rechargeable battery pack NP-F770

Maximum output voltage

DC 8.4 V

Output voltage

DC 7.2 V

Maximum charge voltage

DC 8.4 V

Maximum charge current

3.0 A

Capacity

Typical: 31.7 Wh (4 400 mAh)

Minimum: 30.0 Wh (4 200 mAh)

Type

Li-ion

E 18-200mm F3.5-6.3 OSS lens (NEX-EA50UK/EA50EK/EA50K only)

Lens

E-mount lens

When converted to a 35 mm still camera

29 mm - 322 mm
(1 3/16 in. - 12 3/4 in.) (16:9)
27 mm - 300 mm
(1 1/8 in. - 11 7/8 in.) (4:3)

F-value

F3.5-F6.3

SteadyShot

Optical-shift biaxial-linear-drive and
hall effect sensor

Minimum focus*

0.30 m (W) - 0.50 m (T) (11 7/8 in. -
19 3/4 in.)

Maximum magnification

×0.35

Minimum f-stop

f/22 - f/40

Filter diameter

67 mm (2 3/4 in.)

Dimensions (approx. max. diameter × height)

75.5 mm × 99.0 mm (3 in. × 4 in.)

Mass (approx.)


524 g (18 1/2 oz.)

* Minimum focus is the shortest distance from the image sensor to the subject.

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