SONY

Solid-State Memory Camcorder

Operating Guide

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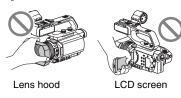


Read this first

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

Precautions when using the camcorder

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







Microphone (sold separately) or Microphone holder

Viewfinder

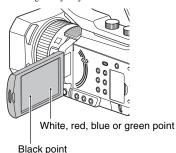
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- The camcorder is not dustproof, dripproof or waterproof. See "About handling of your camcorder" (p. 106).
- When connecting the camcorder to another device with communication cables, be sure to insert the connector plug in the correct way.
 Pushing the plug forcibly into the terminal will damage the terminal and may result in a malfunction of the camcorder.
- Use the camcorder in accordance with the regulations of the place where you use it.

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. This is not a malfunction. 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.
- 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 expose the lens to beams, such as laser beams.

That may damage the image sensor and cause the camera to 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 or in the viewfinder (p. 97).

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, a TV of the appropriate color system for the country/region is required.
- 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. 37).

Save all your recorded image data

 To prevent your image data from being lost, save all your recorded images periodically.

To handle the recorded images on your computer

Download software (p. 17).

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

If you continue recording and deleting images on a memory card for a long period of time, the files on that memory card may become fragmented. As a result, you may not be able to record and save images properly. If this happens, save images on a PC, then format the memory card (p. 60).

About the operation of the camcorder

You can operate the camcorder using the ▲/▼/◀/▶/SET buttons (p. 62), 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

- The on-screen display in English is used for illustrating the operating procedures. Change the screen language before using your camcorder if necessary.
- 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.
- Design and specifications of recording media and other accessories are subject to change without notice.

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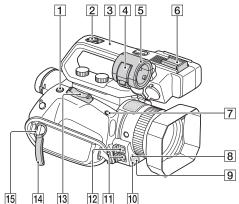
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Identifying Parts and Controls

Body

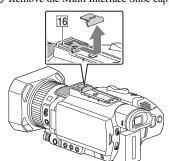
The numbers in () are reference pages.



- 1 ASSIGN4/FOCUS MAGNIFIER button (p. 33)
- 2 Accessory shoe mount
- 3 XLR handle unit
- 4 Microphone fixing clamper
- 5 Microphone holder
- 6 Accessory shoe
- ASSIGN5/IRIS PUSH AUTO button (p. 36)
- 8 Remote control sensor (p. 81)
- Recording lamp (p. 81)
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- 10 NightShot light (p. 47)
- Multi/Micro USB jack (p. 55) VIDEO OUT jack (p. 55, 71)
- 12 MIC jack (PLUG IN POWER)
- 13 Power zoom lever
- 14 Cable clamper
- 15 Hook for shoulder strap
- 16 Multi Interface Shoe (p. 44)

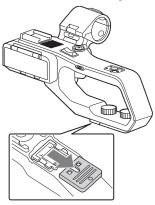
Attaching the XLR handle unit

1 Remove the Multi Interface Shoe cap.

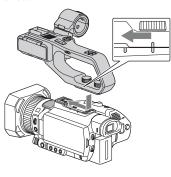


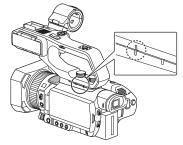
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2 Remove the handle shoe cap.

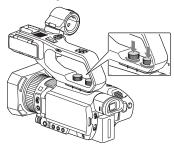


③ Align the mark on the XLR handle with the one on the camcorder, and insert the XLR handle unit in the direction of the arrow.





4 Press and turn the handle mounting screws to tighten them.



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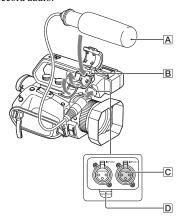
- When attaching the XLR handle unit, make sure to securely tighten both handle mounting screws.
- If you use the XLR handle unit without securely tightening the mounting screws, it may damage the Multi Interface Shoe or cause the camcorder to detach and fall.

Detaching the XLR handle unit

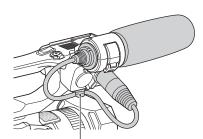
To detach the XLR handle unit, perform the attachment procedure in reverse.

Attaching the microphone (sold separately)

Use the following procedure to attach an external microphone (sold separately) to record audio.

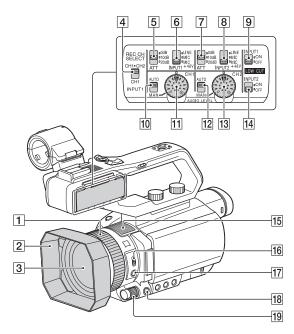


- ① Place the microphone $\boxed{\mathbf{A}}$ into the microphone holder $\boxed{\mathbf{B}}$.
- ② Connect the plug of the microphone to the INPUT 1 jack C.
- 3 Place the microphone cable into the cable holder $\boxed{\mathbf{D}}$.



Put the cable in the outer cable holder.

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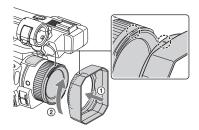


- 1 Manual lens ring (p. 29)
- 2 Lens hood
- 3 Lens (ZEISS lens)
- REC CH SELECT (INPUT1) switch (p. 43)
- 5 ATT (INPUT1) switch (p. 43)
- [6] INPUT1 (LINE/MIC/MIC+48V) switch (p. 43)
- 7 ATT (INPUT2) switch (p. 43)
- 8 INPUT2 (LINE/MIC/MIC+48V) switch (p. 43)
- 9 LOW CUT (INPUT1) switch (p. 44)
- **10** AUTO/MAN (CH1) switch (p. 43)
- 11 AUDIO LEVEL (CH1) dial (p. 43)
- 12 AUTO/MAN (CH2) switch (p. 43)
- 13 AUDIO LEVEL (CH2) dial (p. 44)

- 14 LOW CUT (INPUT2) switch (p. 44)
- 15 Internal microphone
- 16 ZOOM/FOCUS switch (p. 30)
- **17** AF/MF button (p. 30)
- **18** MENU button (p. 62)
- 19 MANUAL dial (p. 36)

Attaching the lens hood

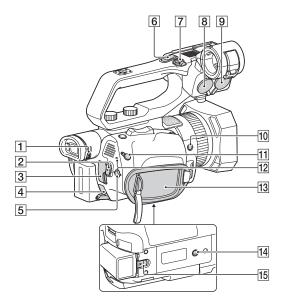
Align the mark on the lens hood to the mark on the camcorder, and turn the lens hood in the direction of the arrow ② until it is locked.



Ϋ́Tip

• If you attach or remove a 62 mm PL filter or MC protector, remove the lens hood.

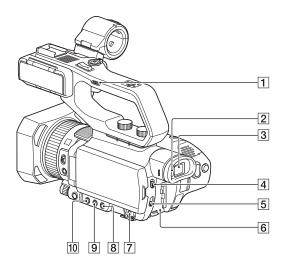
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- 1 Diopter adjustment dial (p. 22)
- 2 START/STOP button (p. 25)
- 3 HDMI OUT jack (p. 55)
- 4 DC IN jack (p. 18)
- $\boxed{\mathbf{5}} \blacktriangle / \blacktriangledown / \blacktriangleleft / \blacktriangleright / \text{SET buttons (p. 62)}$
- 6 Handle zoom lever (p. 28)
- 7 Handle record button (p. 25)
- 8 INPUT2 jack (p. 43)
- **9** INPUT1 jack (p. 43)
- 10 ASSIGN6 button
- 11 REMOTE jack
- 12 POWER/CHG lamp
- 13 Grip belt
- 14 Tripod receptacles (1/4 inch) Supports 1/4-20UNC screws. For mounting on a tripod (sold separately, screw length 5.5 mm or shorter).

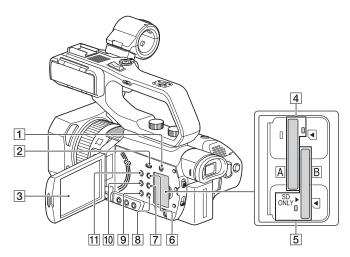
The camcorder may not be able to mount in some orientations, depending on the tripod specifications.

15 BATT release lever (p. 18)



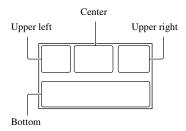
- 1 Handle zoom speed switch (p. 28)
- 2 Eye sensor
- **3** Viewfinder (p. 22)
- 4 AUTO/MANUAL switch (p. 36)
- 5 ND FILTER switch (p. 38)
- 6 Battery slot (p. 18)
- 7 (headphones) jack
- 8 SHUTTER SPEED button (p. 37)
- 9 ISO/GAIN (ISO sensitivity/gain) button (p. 37)
- **10** IRIS button (p. 36)

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- 1 SLOT SELECT button (p. 24)
- 2 THUMBNAIL/ button (p. 51)
- 3 LCD screen/touch panel (p. 22)
- 4 Memory card slot A/Memory card access lamp (p. 24)
- [5] Memory card slot B/Memory card access lamp (p. 24)
- 6 DISPLAY button (p. 53)
- ASSIGN3/PICTURE PROFILE button (p. 47)
- 8 ASSIGN2/STATUS CHECK button (p. 54)
- 9 ASSIGN1 button
- 10 WHITE BALANCE button (p. 40)
- 11 ((On/Standby) button (p. 20)

Screen Indicators



Upper left

Indicator	Meaning
100%	Remaining battery
	INTELLIGENT AUTO (face/scene detection/ camera-shake detection) (p. 46)
	SCENE SELECTION (p. 46)
AV(HD 1080/60i EX	Recording format (p. 35)
WIIIT	Optical zoom (p. 66)
Z99 cQ ×1.2 Z99 pQ ×2.3	Clear image zoom (p. 66) Digital zoom (p. 66)
A → A → □	Simultaneous recording (p. 27) Relay recording (p. 26)
Center	

Indicator	Meaning
€A €B	Recording media (p. 23)
REC STBY	Recording standby (p. 25)
₩ 2	Warning (p. 97)
>	Playback indicator (p. 51)
	Processing
$ \begin{array}{c} $	Relay recording (p. 26)

Indicator	Meaning
© STBY © REC	HDMI REC CONTROL (p. 72)

Upper right

Indicator	Meaning
0min	Estimated remaining recording time
€Ā €B	Recording/playback media
00:00:00:00	Timecode (hour:minute:second: frame) (p. 48)

Bottom	
Indicator	Meaning
[•]	Face detection [ON] (p. 34)
PEAKING	Peaking (p. 75)
SS	Zebra (p. 75)
((Lin) ((Lin) ((Lin))	Image stabilization (STEADYSHOT) (p. 66)
€ ∆ ∴	Manual focus (p. 30)
PP1 to PP6	Picture profile (p. 47)
F5.6	Iris (p. 36)
ISO800	ISO sensitivity (p. 37)
9dB	Gain (p. 37)
100 180°	Shutter speed (p. 37)
♪DolbyD	AVCHD audio format (p. 73)
-2.0EV	AE shift (p. 66)
A/B	Auto setting/manual setting (p. 36)
☆	White balance (p. 40)
	Histogram (p. 75)
<u> </u>	LOW LUX (p. 47)

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Indicator	Meaning
CH1 :	Audio level display (p. 77)
DIG.EXT	Digital extender (p. 66)
Q _{HI} Q±	REC LEVEL MODE (p. 73)
	NIGHTSHOT (p. 47)
QNT QM QO	SELECTED MIC (p. 74)
NDOFF ND1 ND2 ND3	ND filter (p. 38)

Ϋ́Tip

 Indicators may look different or appear at different positions.

Data during recording

The date, time, and recording conditions are recorded automatically.

Step 1: Checking supplied accessories

Make sure that you have following items supplied with your camcorder. If, for any reason, there is something missing, contact your Sony dealer.

The number in the parentheses indicates the number of that item supplied.

AC Adaptor (p. 18)



Power cord (mains lead) (p. 18)



Lens hood (p. 11)



Lens cap (Attached to lens)



XLR handle unit



Rechargeable battery pack (NP-FV50A)



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Software Downloads

When the unit is used with a PC connection, download any device drivers, plug-ins, and application software you require from the following websites. You can work with recorded video on a computer, for example, combining relayrecorded movies, using the "Catalyst Browse" application software. For details, see the supplied brochure.
For details about NLE (Non-Linear Editing) use, contact the software maker.

Sony Professional products website: U.S.A. http://pro.sony.com Canada http://www.sonybiz.ca Latin America

http://sonypro-latin.com Europe, Middle East, and Africa http://www.pro.sony.eu

Japan http://www.sonybsc.com Asia Pacific

http://pro.sony-asia.com Korea http://bp.sony.co.kr China http://pro.sony.com.cn

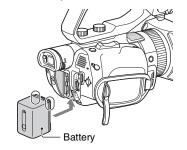
Although the data regarding recorded materials are stored over multiple files and folders, you can easily handle the clips without considering its data and directory structure, by using the dedicated application software.

Step 2: Charging the battery pack

You can charge the "InfoLITHIUM" battery pack (V series) with the supplied AC Adaptor.

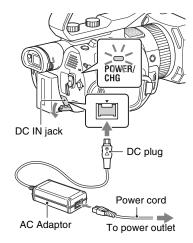
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- You can use an NP-FV70A/NP-FV100A large capacity battery pack (sold separately) with your camcorder.
- 1 Close the LCD screen and store the viewfinder before attaching the battery.



2 Connect the AC Adaptor and power cord from the camcorder to an outlet.

The CHG lamp lights up and charging starts.



When charging ends

The CHG lamp turns off when the battery is fully charged.

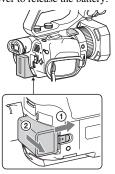
Disconnect the AC Adaptor from the DC IN jack.

Ϋ́Tip

• You can check the remaining battery life with the status check function (p. 54).

To remove the battery pack

Turn the power off, then slide the BATT release lever to release the battery.



To store the battery pack

If the battery pack is not in use for a while, run down the battery and store it (p. 105).

Charging time

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

Battery pack	Full charge time
NP-FV50A	105

On the battery pack

- Turn the power off before changing the battery pack.
- The CHG lamp flashes during charging, or the Battery Info 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 a power outlet

You can use the AC Adaptor to obtain the AC power. While you are using the AC Adaptor, the battery pack will not lose its charge even when it is attached to your camcorder.

Perform the procedure up to step **2** of "Step 2: Charging the battery pack" (p. 18).

On the AC Adaptor

 Do not short-circuit the DC plug of the AC Adaptor or battery terminal with any metallic objects. This may cause a malfunction.

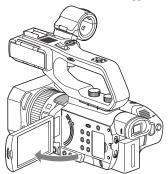
Step 3: Turning on the camcorder and setting the date and time

Turning on the camcorder

Open the LCD screen and turn the power on.

You can also turn on the power by extending the viewfinder or by pressing the \circlearrowleft (On/Standby) button.

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



To turn off the power

Close the LCD screen.

If the viewfinder is extended, return it to its original position.

You can also turn off the power by pressing the \bigcirc (On/Standby) button.

Notes

- If a warning message is displayed, follow the instructions.
- When recording movies or when connected to another device via USB, the camcorder does not turn off even if the LCD screen is closed and the viewfinder is returned to its original position.

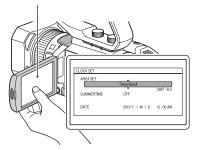
Setting the date and time

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

Ϋ́Tip

 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. 108).

LCD screen



To set the date and time again, press the MENU button, and select ☐ (OTHERS) → [CLOCK SET].

1 Set the area.



2 Set [SUMMERTIME], [Y], [M], [D], hour, and minute.



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.

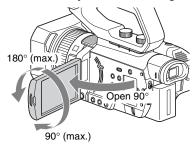
Ϋ́Tip

• The date and time are automatically recorded on the selected memory card, and can be displayed during playback (p. 53).

Step 4: Adjusting the LCD screen and viewfinder

Using the LCD screen

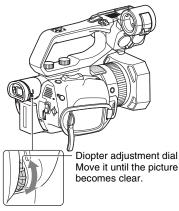
The LCD screen can be rotated in the range as illustrated below, allowing a person other than the camera operator to see the image.



Adjusting the viewfinder diopter

When using the viewfinder, extend it and position your eye near it.

If you extend the viewfinder while the LCD screen is open, the display switches from the LCD screen to the viewfinder when you position your eye near the viewfinder. If the viewfinder image appears blurred, turn the diopter adjustment dial next to the viewfinder until the image is sharp.



Wote

 The LCD screen and the viewfinder do not operate at the same time.

Step 5: Preparing the recording media

Supported memory cards

Refer to the following lists when selecting memory cards to use.

In this document, SD cards or "Memory Stick" media are referred to as supported memory cards.

SD card

SD/SDHC/SDXC memory cards (Class 4 or U1 or faster)

"Memory Stick" media

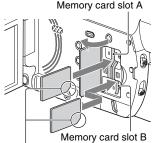
Memory Stick PRO Duo (Mark2), Memory Stick PRO-HG Duo

4 Notes

- · Operation with all memory cards is not assured. For details about non-Sony memory cards, contact each manufacturer.
- See page 100 for the recording time of memory cards.
- · Only "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media, which is half the size of standard "Memory Stick" media, or "Memory Stick XC-HG Duo" media, or standard size SD cards can 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.

Inserting a memory card

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



Note the direction of the notched corner.

- 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.
- Memory card slot A accepts both "Memory Stick PRO Duo" and SD cards. Memory card slot B accepts SD cards only.

To eject a memory card

Lightly push the memory card once.

O Notes

- If "The image database file is corrupted. The media must be restored to use again." appears, format the memory card (p. 60).
- When inserting or ejecting a memory card, be careful of the memory card popping out and dropping.

Selecting the memory card slot to be used for recording

Press the SLOT SELECT button to change which slot is selected for recording. You can confirm the selected slot on the screen.

SLOT SELECT button



4 Notes

- You can only select a slot that already has a memory card inserted.
- When recording to a memory card, you cannot switch the slot even if you press the SLOT SELECT button.

🍟 Tips

- When only one slot has a memory card inserted, the slot that has the memory card is selected automatically.
- When the memory card becomes full during recording, the camcorder automatically switches to the other slot if a memory card is inserted (relay recording, p. 26).

If a repair memory card prompt screen appears

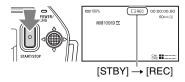
There may have been a problem recording to the memory card during the most-recent recording. Select [OK] to repair the card to the extent possible. Select [CANCEL] to continue without repairing.

Recording

Recording

Your camcorder records movies on memory cards.

Check that the memory cards are inserted correctly, and press the START/STOP button (handle record button) to start recording.



The recording lamps light up during recording.

To stop recording, press the START/STOP button (handle record button) again.

6 Notes

- When [AUTO] is selected in the [MIC SELECT] menu and the XLR handle unit is connected to the camcorder without a microphone attached to the INPUT1 and INPUT2 jacks, the internal microphone is not selected and no audio is recorded. In this case, select [INT MIC] (p. 43).
- If [SIMUL/RELAY REC] is switched to [SIMULTANEOUS REC], then [NIGHTSHOT LIGHT] is set to
- When the access lamp is lit or flashing in red, your camcorder is reading or writing data. Do not shake or apply strong force to your camcorder, do not turn the power off, and do not remove the memory card, battery pack or the AC Adaptor. The image data may be destroyed.
- · If a movie file size exceeds 2 GB while recording, the camcorder automatically divides the file and creates a new one.
- The menu settings, picture profile settings, and settings made using the AUTO/MANUAL switch are saved when you close the LCD screen and turn off the camcorder. The POWER/CHG lamp flashes while the settings are being stored. If you remove the battery or disconnect the AC Adaptor with the power turned on without closing the LCD screen, interrupting the power, the settings will not be saved.

Ÿ Tips

- The picture aspect ratio is fixed to 16:9.
- For details about changing the screen display during recording, see page 53.
- For details about screen display during recording, see page 15.
- The recording lamps can be set to stay off ([REC LAMP], p. 81).
- See page 100 about the recording time of movies.

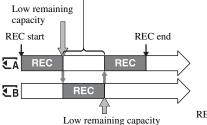
Continuous recording on the memory cards (Relay Rec)

Insert memory cards each in both slots A and B so the camcorder switches memory card A (or B) just before the remaining space on the other one runs out, and continues recording on the next memory card automatically.

Make the following setting before recording.

Set \rightleftarrows (REC/OUT SET) \rightarrow [REC SET] \rightarrow [SIMUL/RELAY REC] \rightarrow [RELAY REC].

Exchange the recordable memory card



REC: Recording

6) Notes

- Do not eject the memory card that is currently being used for recording. When replacing a memory card while recording, replace only the one in the slot whose access lamp is off.
- Even if you press the SLOT SELECT button, while recording movies, you cannot switch the slot currently being used.
- If you start recording on a memory card with the remaining recording time of less than 1 minute, the camcorder may not be able to relay-record. To relay-record without failing, make sure that the memory card has more than 1 minute when you start recording.
- · Seamless playback of relay-recorded movies with this camcorder is not possible.
- You can combine relay-recorded movies using application software (p. 17).
- The maximum continuous recording time is 13 hours. Recording stops automatically when the maximum recording time elapses.

Recording movies using both memory card A and B (Simul Rec)

You can record movies on both memory card A and memory card B simultaneously. Set ≠ (REC/OUT SET) → [REC SET] → [SIMUL/RELAY REC] → [SIMULTANEOUS REC1.

6) Note

• If [SIMUL/RELAY REC] is switched to [SIMULTANEOUS REC], then [NIGHTSHOT LIGHT] is set to [OFF].

Changing the START/STOP button/handle record button setting

You can start and stop recording on different memory cards by using the START/STOP button and the handle record button.

In the default setting, movies are recorded on both the memory card A and B at the same time when either record button is pressed.

• REC BUTTON: TA TB

• HANDLE REC BUTTON: TA TB

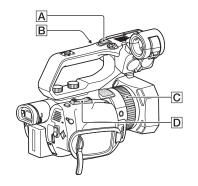
To change the setting

Select \rightleftarrows (REC/OUT SET) \rightarrow [REC SET] \rightarrow [REC BUTTON SETTING].

REC BUTTON SETTING setting	Button and memory card
REC BUTTON: TA TB HANDLE REC BUTTON: TA TB	Recording on both the memory card A and the memory card B starts and stops at the same time when either record button is pressed.
REC BUTTON: TA HANDLE REC BUTTON: TB	Recording on the memory card A starts and stops when the START/STOP button is pressed, and on the memory card B when the handle record button is pressed.
REC BUTTON: TB HANDLE REC BUTTON: TA	Recording on the memory card B starts and stops when the START/STOP button is pressed, and on the memory card A when the handle record button is pressed.

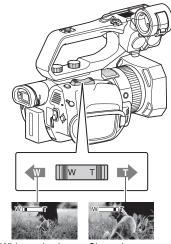
Recording (Continued)

Adjusting the zoom



Adjusting the zoom with the power zoom lever

Press the zoom lever **D** slightly to zoom slowly, and press it further to zoom more quickly.



Wide angle view: Wide

Close view: Telephoto

🌣 Tips

- When focusing, the minimum distance required between the camcorder and the subject is about 1 cm (about 13/32 in.) for wide angle and about 1 m (about 39 3/8 in.) for telephoto.
- The focus may not be adjusted at certain zoom positions if the subject is within 1 meter (about 39 3/8 in.) from your camcorder.
- Be sure to keep your finger on the power zoom lever D. If you remove your finger, the operation sound of the power zoom lever D may also be recorded.
- You can select the type of zoom operation for the zoom lever D ([ZOOM TYPE], p. 66).
- You can increase the zoom speed of the power zoom lever D ([SPEED ZOOM], p. 66).

Adjusting the zoom with the handle zoom

① Set the handle zoom speed switch **B** to VAR or FIX.

🍟 Tips

- When set to VAR, you can zoom in or out at variable speed.
- When set to FIX, you can zoom in or out at fixed speed (set in [HANDLE ZOOM], p. 66).
- ② Press the handle zoom lever A to zoom in or out.

4 Notes

- You cannot use the handle zoom when the handle zoom speed switch **B** is set to OFF.
- You cannot change the zoom speed of the power zoom lever with the handle zoom speed switch switch .

🍹 Tips

- You can select the type of zoom operation for the handle zoom lever A ([ZOOM TYPE], p. 66).
- You can increase the zoom speed of the handle zoom lever A ([SPEED ZOOM], p. 66).

Adjusting the zoom with the manual lens ring

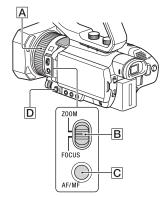
If you toggle the ZOOM/FOCUS switch to ZOOM, you can zoom at the desired speed by turning the manual lens ring $\boxed{\mathbb{C}}$. Fine adjustment is also possible.

O Note

 Turn the manual lens ring at a moderate speed. If you turn it too fast, the zoom speed may lag behind the manual lens ring rotation speed, or the operation sound of the zoom may also be recorded.

Adjusting the focus

You can adjust the focus manually or automatically for different recording conditions.



Adjusting the focus manually

1 During recording or standby, press the AF/MF button © to set the focus to manual.

appears.

- 2 Move the ZOOM/FOCUS B switch, and turn the manual lens ring A.
 - FOCUS: You can manually adjust the focus by turning the manual lens ring.
 - ZOOM: You can manually adjust the zoom by turning the manual lens ring.

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

Adjusting the focus automatically

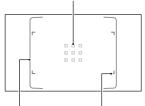
Press the AF/MF button \boxed{C} to set the focus to automatic. \boxed{C} disappears and automatic focus adjustment is restored.

The camcorder uses phase detection AF for high-speed focusing and contrast AF for high-accuracy focusing.

The combination of these two AF methods provides auto focus with both high speed and high accuracy.

When phase detection AF is enabled, phase detection AF frames are displayed on the screen when [PHASE AF FRAMES] is set to [ON]. And the phase detection AF area is displayed on the screen when [PHASE DETECT. AF AREA] is set to [ON]. The position for focusing is indicated by white phase detection AF frames, and the frames turn green when the image is in focus.

Phase detection AF frames



Phase detection Focus area frame AF area

4 Note

 Phase detection AF frames are displayed only when [FOCUS AREA] is set to [WIDE] or [ZONE]. If set to [CENTER] or [FLEXIBLE SPOT] and phase detection AF is enabled, the focus area frame is displayed green to indicate the in-focus state.

🍟 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 press the AF/MF button C to set the focus to manual and 🕞 appears on the LCD screen.
- When you rotate the manual lens ring A while is displayed on the LCD screen.
- · You can switch the focal length information between meters and feet ([FOCUS DISPLAY], p. 77).

Selecting the focus area

You can change the position for focusing used by auto focus.

This is useful when the composition and movement range of the subject are determined in advance, or when focusing on an intended subject is difficult.

- 1) Press the MENU button \square , and select \rightarrow (CAMERA SET) \rightarrow [FOCUS AREA1.
- ② Select [WIDE], [ZONE], [CENTER], or [FLEXIBLE SPOT]. When [ZONE] or [FLEXIBLE SPOT] is selected, touch the position for focusing on the next displayed screen.

4 Notes

- . [FOCUS AREA] is fixed to [WIDE] in the following cases.
 - When using Clear Image Zoom
 - When using Digital Zoom
 - When auto mode shooting with [SCENE SELECTION] setting
 - When auto mode shooting with [INTELLIGENT AUTO] setting
 - When using lock-on AF
 - When the priority face is selected with face detection (FACE DETECTION)
- · When using non-optical zoom, the focus area setting is disabled and the focus area frame is displayed using dotted lines.

To focus on a position when [WIDE] is selected

When [FOCUS AREA] is set to [WIDE] and an unintended position is in focus, touch the position at which you want to focus on the LCD screen to automatically focus at that position.

The area that can be touched is limited to the phase detection AF area.

About phase detection AF

When there are phase detection AF distance measurement points within the focus area, auto focus uses a combination of phase detection AF and contrast AF.

43 Note

- · Phase detection AF cannot be used in the following cases. Only contrast AF is used.
 - When using [NIGHTSHOT]
 - When the iris is F8.0 or larger

Selecting the AF drive speed

You can select the speed for focusing used by auto focus.

- 1 Press the MENU button D, and select \blacksquare (CAMERA SET) \rightarrow [AF DRIVE SPEED1.
- Select a drive speed in the range [1[SLOW]] to [7[FAST]].

1 to 4: The focus moves slowly when the subject to be focused changes, enabling the shooting of impressive images.

5 to 7: The higher the speed, the faster the focus follows the subject. This enables continuous focus on fast-moving subjects, making it suitable for shooting active scenes, such as sports.

4 Notes

- · The AF drive speed setting is disabled in the following cases.
 - When using [NIGHTSHOT]
 - When [INTELLIGENT AUTO] is enabled
- · For subjects with low contrast or subjects in dark places, AF may operate at the optimum speed regardless of the speed setting.

Setting AF subject tracking

You can select the tracking sensitivity used by auto focus.

- ② Set [AF TRACKING DEPTH] and [AF SUBJ. SWITCH. SENS.].

AF TRACKING DEPTH:

This sets the range for tracking subjects in the depth direction in the range [1[NARROW]] to [5[WIDE]]. The wider the range, the faster the response to subjects with large motion, allowing focusing on subjects with different distances one after the other.

The narrower the range, focusing can be maintained on subjects with less movement. This is useful to maintain focus on a subject under conditions where other subjects may pass in front of the intended subject.

AF SUBJ. SWITCH. SENS.:

This sets the time taken for focusing on a new subject when switching subjects in the range [1[LOCKED ON]] to [5]RESPONSIVE]].

The shorter the time, the faster the response to changing subjects, allowing focusing on different subjects one after the other. The longer the time, the longer the focus is maintained. This focus response delay allows you to maintain the focus on a subject if the subject is temporarily placed outside the focus area and then immediately returned to within the focus area.

Example [AF TRACKING DEPTH] / [AF SUBJ. SWITCH. SENS.] settings

Trains/motor sports

When there is nothing in the foreground and you want to follow subjects with regular movement and speed.

[AF TRACKING DEPTH]: 4 [AF SUBJ. SWITCH. SENS.]: 5

Sports/wildlife

When you want to track a specific subject with fast and irregular movement.

[AF TRACKING DEPTH]: 4 [AF SUBJ. SWITCH. SENS.]: 2

Landscape/macro shooting

When the movement of the subject is small, but there are many scene changes whose tempo you want to capture.

[AF TRACKING DEPTH]: 1 [AF SUBJ. SWITCH. SENS.]: 5

Parties/festivals

When you want to track a slow-moving subject but other subjects or people appear in the foreground.

[AF TRACKING DEPTH]: 1 [AF SUBJ. SWITCH. SENS.]: 1

4 Note

- The AF subject tracking settings are disabled in the following cases.
 - When using [NIGHTSHOT]
 - When [INTELLIGENT AUTO] is enabled

Adjusting the focus while tracking a selected subject (Lock-on AF)

You can touch the screen to select a subject to track for focusing (default setting is [OFF]).

1 Press the MENU button D.

2 Select ▶ (CAMERA SET) → [LOCK-ON AF] → [ON].

3 Touch the subject you want to track on the LCD screen.

To cancel Lock-on AF

Select ****

4 Notes

- · Lock-on AF may not provide optimum results for the following subjects and shooting conditions.
 - Subject is moving too quickly
 - Subject is too small or too large
 - Subject and background are similar colors
 - Dark scenes
 - Scenes with changing brightness
- · Lock-on AF cannot be used in the following cases.
 - When using Digital Zoom
 - When using focus magnification (FOCUS MAGNIFIER)
 - When using the digital extender (D. EXTENDER)
 - During color bar display
- · If a fixed time has elapsed since a subject being tracked is lost from view, it may not be possible to resume tracking the subject.
 - [FOCUS AREA] is set to [WIDE] while using lock-on AF.

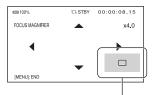
Focusing using the focus magnifier

The selected area on the LCD screen is magnified and displayed. This is useful when adjusting the focus.

[FOCUS MAGNIFIER] is assigned to the ASSIGN4/FOCUS MAGNIFIER button (p. 50).

Press the ASSIGN4/FOCUS MAGNIFIER button.

The center of the screen is magnified. The setting changes with each press of the button.



Enlarged display position

You can adjust the enlarged display position with the $\triangle/\nabla/\blacktriangleleft/\triangleright$ buttons on the camcorder. Press the SET button to set the enlarged display position back to the center.

4) Note

· Even though the image appears enlarged on the LCD screen, the recorded image is not enlarged.

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· You can change the magnification ratio with [FOCUS MAG RATIO] (p. 76).

Focusing by touching the LCD screen (Spot Focus)

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

- Press the MENU button D.
- 2 Select ▶ (CAMERA SET) → [SPOT FOCUS].
- 3 Touch the point to be focused on the LCD screen.

6 Note

· [SPOT FOCUS] is available only with manual focus.

To cancel the spot focus

Press the MENU button D.

Focusing on a detected face (Face Detection)

The camcorder detects faces and focuses on one of them (default setting is [ON]). [FACE DETECTION] is available only with automatic focus.

1 Press the MENU button D.

2 Select \blacktriangleright (CAMERA SET) \rightarrow [FACE DETECTION] \rightarrow [ON].

When a face is detected, a gray face detection frame is displayed. When auto focusing is possible, a white frame is displayed. If phase detection AF is enabled, a green frame is displayed when in focus

To set face detection

Move the selection cursor (orange colored underline) to select the priority face, then press the $\triangle/\nabla/\blacktriangleleft/\triangleright$ /SET button.

Priority face frame (double frame)



Selection cursor (orange)

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

To cancel the priority face

Move the selection cursor to the priority face frame, then press the $\triangle/\nabla/\blacktriangleleft/\triangleright/SET$ button to cancel the priority face.

4 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].
- Face detection is disabled in the following cases
 - When using Clear Image Zoom
 - When using Digital Zoom
 - When using NightShot
- When [LOCK-ON AF] is set to [ON], the selection cursor is not displayed, and a priority face cannot be selected.

Ϋ́ Tips

- Only faces within the set focus area can be focused.
- If [FOCUS AREA] is set to [WIDE], the focus area frame is not displayed when [FACE DETECTION] is set to [ON].
- 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.

Selecting the recording format

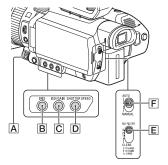
Setting the recording format

Set the recording format (bit rate, picture size, frame rate, scanning method) in

(REC/OUT SET) → [REC SET] → [REC FORMAT] (p. 70).

Adjusting the brightness

You can adjust the image brightness by adjusting the iris, ISO sensitivity/gain or shutter speed, or by adjusting the light level with the ND filter $\boxed{\textbf{E}}$.



4 Note

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

Adjusting the iris

- 1 Set the AUTO/MANUAL switch F to MANUAL.
- **2** Press the IRIS button **B**.

The A or a next to the iris value disappears, and the iris value is highlighted.



Iris value

3 Turn the MANUAL dial A to adjust the value.

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

To temporarily adjust automatically

Hold the ASSIGN5/IRIS PUSH AUTO button down.

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

To adjust automatically

Press the IRIS button **B** while the iris value is highlighted.

The iris value disappears or **A** appears next to the iris value. When AE is fixed, **B** appears.

Adjusting the ISO sensitivity/ aain

Set whether to adjust the ISO sensitivity or gain using [ISO/GAIN SEL] (p. 65).

- Set the AUTO/MANUAL switch F to MANUAL.
- 2 Press the ISO/GAIN button C.

The A or b next to the ISO value or gain value disappears, and the value is highlighted.



ISO value or gain value

3 Turn the MANUAL dial A to adjust the value.

To adjust automatically

Press the ISO/GAIN button C while the ISO value or gain value is highlighted. The ISO value or gain value disappears, or A appears next to the ISO value or gain value. When AE is fixed, **appears**.

Adjusting the shutter speed

- Set the AUTO/MANUAL switch F to MANUAL.
- 2 Press the SHUTTER SPEED button D.

The A or next to the shutter speed value disappears, and the shutter speed value is highlighted.



Shutter speed value

3 Turn the MANUAL dial A to adjust the shutter speed.

When [60i] is selected:

You can select from 1/8 to 1/10000 (1/6 to 1/10000 when shooting at 24p).

When [50i] is selected:

You can select from 1/6 to 1/10000.

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.

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· It is difficult to focus automatically at a lower shutter speed. Manual focusing with your camcorder attached to a tripod is recommended.

Adjusting the brightness (Continued)

 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. 77).

To adjust automatically

Press the SHUTTER SPEED button F while the shutter speed value is highlighted. The shutter speed value disappears, or appears next to the shutter speed value. When AE is fixed, appears.

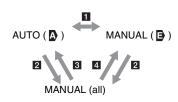
Setting when [60i/50i SEL] is switched

The shutter speed may change after switching, depending on the current speed level. Refer to the following table for the shutter speed levels.

Level	60i/60p/30p	24p	50i/50p/25p
0	-	6	-
1	8	12	6
2	15	24	12
3	30	25	25
4	50	40	30
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
13	725	200	600
14	1000	288	1000
15	1500	400	1250
16	2000	576	1750
17	3000	1200	2500

Level	60i/60p/30p	24p	50i/50p/25p
18	4000	2400	3500
19	6000	4800	6000
20	10000	10000	10000

Adjusting the exposure



- When you switch to AUTO/MANUAL in [SPOT METER] or [SPOT METER/FOCUS].
- **2** When all of iris, ISO sensitivity/gain, and shutter speed are set to MANUAL.
- **3** When the last setting of the exposure is set to AUTO, and the iris, ISO sensitivity/gain, or shutter speed is set to AUTO.
- 4 When the last setting of the exposure is set to MANUAL, and the iris, ISO sensitivity/gain, or shutter speed is set to AUTO.

O Note

When you set the AUTO/MANUAL switch F
to AUTO, or press [EXEC] on the [SPOT
METER] or [SPOT METER/FOCUS] screen,
the exposure is returned to AUTO.

Adjusting the light level (ND Filter)

You can set an appropriate brightness level using the ND filter switch $\boxed{\textbf{E}}$ when the recording environment is too bright. The ND filters 1, 2 and 3 reduce the light level to about 1/4, 1/16 and 1/64, respectively.

If ND1 flashes during the iris automatic adjustment, set the ND filter to 1. If ND2 flashes during the iris automatic

adjustment, set the ND filter to 2. If ND3 flashes during the iris automatic adjustment, set the ND filter to 3. The ND filter indicator will stop flashing and remain on the screen. If NDOFF flashes, set the ND filter to OFF. The ND filter icon will disappear from the screen.

4 Notes

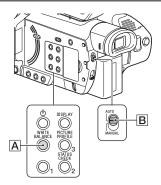
- If you change the ND filter during recording, the movie and sound may become distorted.
- When adjusting the iris manually, the ND filter icon does not flash even if the light level should be adjusted with the ND filter.
- If the camcorder cannot detect the ND filter position (OFF/1/2/3), ND flashes on the screen. Make sure that the ND filter is set correctly.

Ϋ́Tip

 While recording a bright subject, diffraction may occur if you close the aperture further down, resulting in a fuzzy focus (this is a common phenomenon with video cameras). The ND filter suppresses this phenomenon and gives better recording results.

Adjusting the color tone

Adjusting the white balance



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

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.

- 1 Set the AUTO/MANUAL switch B to MANUAL.
- 2 Press the WHITE BALANCE button A.

The white balance value is highlighted.

3 Turn the MANUAL dial to select PRESET, A, or B.

■ Setting the A/B value

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

■ To use the PRESET value of white balance

Select \blacksquare (CAMERA SET) \rightarrow [WB PRESET] and select a desired setting.

Setting values	Example of recording conditions
** Outdoor ([OUTDOOR])	When recording a night scene, neon lighting, fireworks, etc. When recording a sunrise, sunset, etc. Under daylight fluorescent lamp
☆ Indoor ([INDOOR])	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])	• You can set a desired color temperature between 2300K and 15000K with ▶ (CAMERA SET) → [WB TEMP SET] (default setting is 6500K).

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

- ① Set the AUTO/MANUAL switch **B** to MANUAL.
- ② Press the WHITE BALANCE button
 A to highlight the white balance value.
- ③ Turn the MANUAL dial to select A (♠ A) or B (♠ B).

Using Direct Menu

- (4) Press the MENU button.
- ⑤ Select \blacksquare (CAMERA SET) → [WB
- 6 Frame a white object such as a piece of paper that fills the screen under the same lighting conditions as your subject.
- (7) Press the **△**/**▼**/**⋖**/**▶**/SET button. The adjusted value is stored in A or ■ B. The stored color temperature appears for about 3 seconds.

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 If [WB SET] is assigned to an ASSIGN button, the adjusted value is stored by pressing the ASSIGN button when the shooting screen is displayed, instead of performing step 4.

4 Note

· When a white balance adjustment value has not been obtained successfully, A or B starts flashing slowly. Adjust the subject appropriately and set the shutter speed to auto or around 1/60 (when [60i] is selected)/1/50 (when [50i] is selected), then try adjusting the white balance again.

To restore automatic adjustment

Press the WHITE BALANCE button A.

43 Note

• When you set the AUTO/MANUAL switch B to AUTO, iris, ISO sensitivity/gain, shutter speed, and white balance are adjusted automatically. You cannot adjust manually.

Direct Menu allows you to change settings directly while recording using the $\triangle/\nabla/\triangle/$ ►/SET buttons.

The following items can be configured.

- Focus value (p. 30)
- AE shift level value (p. 66)
- Iris value (p. 36)
- ISO sensitivity/gain value (p. 37)
- Shutter speed value (p. 37)
- White balance value (p. 40)



You can assign this function to an ASSIGN button.

For details about function assignment operation to an ASSIGN button, see "Assigning functions to the ASSIGN buttons" (p. 50).

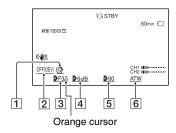
1 Press the ASSIGN button to which Direct Menu is assigned.

After entering Direct Menu mode, a cursor (underline) is displayed for items along the bottom of the LCD screen.

- · Orange cursor indicates the selected item.
- · White cursor indicates selectable

For example, the iris value 3 is selected in the following diagram.

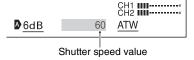
Using Direct Menu (Continued)



- 1 Focus value
- 2 AE shift level value
- 3 Iris value
- 4 ISO sensitivity/gain value
- 5 Shutter speed value
- 6 White balance value
- 2 Move the ▲/▼/◀/►/SET button left/ right to move the orange cursor to select the target item to set.
- 3 When ♠ (auto) appears for the item to set, moving the ♠/▼/◄/▶/
 SET button up/down clears the ♠
 mark.
- 4 Press the ▲/▼/◄/▶/SET button to apply the setting.

The set value is highlighted in reverse black and white, allowing you to change the value.

The following diagram shows an example of changing the shutter speed value.



5 Move the ▲/▼/◄/►/SET button up/ down to display the desired value.



- 6 To set another item, repeat steps 3 to 5 to move the orange cursor using the ▲/▼/◄/►/SET button.
- 7 When all desired values are displayed, press the ▲/▼/◄/►/SET button.

The setting is applied, and Direct Menu mode ends.

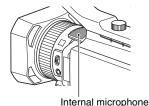
6 Notes

- Direct Menu is not available when using the following functions (includes operation using operation buttons and ASSIGN buttons).
 - During menu display
 - During playback mode
 - FOCUS MAGNIFIER
 - SPOT METER/FOCUS
 - SPOT METER
 - SPOT FOCUS
 - Focus area setting
 - VOLUME
 - LAST SCENE REVIEW
- If an item (such as iris value or focus value) is changed using buttons or switches while Direct Menu is displayed, the Direct Menu may be canceled.

Audio setup

Recording sound from the internal microphone

You can record sound in stereo using the camcorder's internal microphone.



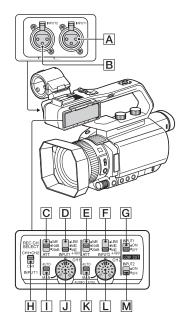
Select [INT MIC] in the [MIC SELECT] menu.

Ϋ́Tip

· To reduce wind noise, set [INT MIC WIND] to [ON].

Recording sound from an external audio device

The jacks, switches and dials shown below allow you to set the sound that is recorded. See page 9 for details about connecting a microphone.



External audio input jacks

A: INPUT1 jack B: INPUT2 jack

Audio source switches

D: INPUT1 (LINE/MIC/MIC+48V) switch

F: INPUT2 (LINE/MIC/MIC+48V) switch

Audio source level controls

C: ATT (INPUT1) switch

E: ATT (INPUT2) switch

Recording channel switch

H: REC CH SELECT (INPUT1) switch

Audio level controls

T: AUTO/MAN (CH1) switch

J: AUDIO LEVEL (CH1) dial

K: AUTO/MAN (CH2) switch

Audio setup (Continued)

L: AUDIO LEVEL (CH2) dial

Wind noise reduction switches

G: LOW CUT (INPUT1) switch M: LOW CUT (INPUT2) switch

When using a microphone with XLR-type connector (sold separately) or external audio device (such as a mixer), configure the settings as described below.

1 Select the audio input source.

Set the INPUT1/INPUT2 (LINE/MIC/MIC+48V) switch (or F) based on the device connected to INPUT1 jack A/INPUT2 jack B.

Connected device	Switch position
External audio device (such as mixer)	LINE
Dynamic microphone or microphone with built-in battery	MIC
+48V powered (phantom power) microphone	MIC+48V

6) Notes

- If the switch is set to MIC+48V and you connect a device that is not compatible with +48V power, it may damage the connected device.
 Check the switch before connecting the device.
- To prevent unwanted noise when no audio device is connected to the INPUT1 or INPUT2 jack, set the INPUT1/INPUT2 (LINE/MIC/ MIC+48V) switch (D or F) to LINE.

2 Set the microphone input level.

When the INPUT1/INPUT2 (LINE/MIC/MIC+48V) switch (oo r) is set to MIC or MIC+48V, the input level can be set using the ATT (INPUT1/INPUT2) switch (oo r). Adjust the setting based on the sensitivity of the microphone.

ATT 0dB: -60dBu

ATT 10dB: -50dBu ATT 20dB: -40dBu

4 Note

 The input level is fixed to +4dBu when the INPUT1/INPUT2 (LINE/MIC/MIC+48V) switch (D) or (F) is set to LINE. The input level does not change, even if you change the ATT switch setting.

3 Select the channel to record.

With the REC CH SELECT (INPUT1) switch $\boxed{\mathbf{H}}$, select the channel to record.

REC CH SELECT (INPUT1) switch setting	Sound record CH2	led to CH1	and
CH1•CH2	INPUT1	\Box	CH1 CH2
CH1	INPUT1	•	CH1
	INPUT2	•—	CH2

Ϋ́ Tip

 When using a stereo microphone with two XLR (3-pin) plugs, connect the INPUT1 jack A to the left channel, connect the INPUT2 jack B to the right channel, and set the REC CH SELECT (INPUT1) switch H to CH1.

Recording sound from a Multi Interface Shoe compatible microphone (sold separately)

You can record audio with a Multi Interface Shoe-compatible microphone.

1 Connect the Multi Interface Shoe compatible microphone (sold separately) to the Multi Interface Shoe.

2 Select [MI SHOE MIC] in the [MIC SELECT] menu.

Recording sound from an external microphone (sold separately)

You can record sound in stereo using an external microphone (sold separately).

- 1 Connect the external microphone (sold separately) to the MIC jack (PLUG IN POWER).
- 2 Select [STEREO MINI MIC] in the [MIC SELECT] menu.

Adjusting the audio level from the INPUT1 and INPUT2 jacks

You can adjust the audio level for the sound that is input from the INPUT1 and INPUT2 jacks.

- Set the AUTO/MAN switch to MAN for the channel that you want to adjust (CH1 or CH2).
- 2 Turn the AUDIO LEVEL dial to adjust the audio level.

Use headphones or an audio level meter to check that the audio level is appropriate.

To restore automatic adjustment

 Set the AUTO/MAN switch to AUTO to restore automatic adjustment for sound that is input from the INPUT1 and INPUT2 jacks.

Adjusting the audio level from the internal microphone or an external microphone (sold separately)

You can adjust the audio level for the sound that is input from the internal microphone or an external microphone (sold separately).

- 1 Select [MANUAL] in the [REC LEVEL MODE] menu in [AUDIO REC LEVEL].
- 2 During recording or standby, adjust the microphone volume in the [MANUAL REC LEVEL] menu in [AUDIO REC LEVEL].

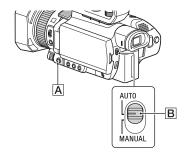
To restore automatic adjustment

 Select [NORMAL] or [HIGH] in the [REC LEVEL MODE] menu in [AUDIO REC LEVEL].

Useful functions

Selecting suitable settings automatically (auto mode setting)

You can make optimal recordings in various situations.



- 1 Set the AUTO/MANUAL switch B to AUTO.
- $\mathbf{2}$ Press the MENU button \mathbf{A} .
- 3 Select ▶ (CAMERA SET) → [AUTO MODE SET].
- 4 Select [AUTO], [INTELLIGENT AUTO], or [SCENE SELECTION], then press the dial.

Note

Scenes detected by INTELLIGENT AUTO

Face detection: ♣ (Portrait), ♠ (Baby)
Scene detection: ☒ (Backlight), ♠ (Landscape),
▶ (Night Scene), ♠ (Spotlight), ♠ (Low
Light), ♥ (Macro)
Camera-shake detection: † (Walk), ઋ (Tripod)

To use [SCENE SELECTION]

- ① Select ▶ (CAMERA SET) → [SCENE SELECTION SET].
- 2 Select the desired setting.

Setting values	Recording conditions
Night Scene ([NIGHT SCENE])	Shoots a night view with a proper exposure, using a tripod (sold separately).
Sunrise & Sunset ([SUNRISE & SUNSET])	Shoots the scenes under the glow of sunset/ sunrise vividly.
Fireworks ([FIREWORKS])	Shoots fireworks with optimal exposure.
Landscape ([LANDSCAPE])	Shoots distant subjects clearly. This setting also prevents your camcorder from focusing on any glass or mesh in windows between the camcorder and the subject.
Portrait ([PORTRAIT])	Brings out the subject, such as people or flowers, while creating a soft background.
Spotlight ([SPOTLIGHT])	Prevents people's faces from appearing excessively white when subjects are lit by strong light.
Beach ([BEACH])	Takes the vivid blue of the ocean or a lake.

4 Notes

- · When [SCENE SELECTION SET] is set, the following settings are canceled.
 - White balance
 - Iris
 - Shutter speed
 - ISO sensitivity/gain
- · When [SCENE SELECTION SET] is set, the focus area is fixed to [WIDE].

Shooting in dimly lit locations (LOW LUX)

You can shoot bright video, even in low light conditions, such as outdoor locations with limited street lighting or dimly lit indoors, by automatically optimizing the gain and shutter speed.

4) Note

- This function is available only when the AUTO/ MANUAL switch is set to AUTO and [AUTO MODE SET] is set to [AUTO].
- 1 Set the AUTO/MANUAL switch AUTO.
- 2 Press the MENU button.
- 3 Select ▶ (CAMERA SET) → $[LOW LUX] \rightarrow [ON].$
 - \(\right) is displayed.
 - To cancel, set [LOW LUX] to [OFF].

Shooting in dark conditions (NIGHTSHOT)

You can shoot scenes under very dark conditions by turning on the infrared light. The infrared light does not turn on if [NIGHTSHOT LIGHT] is set to [OFF].

Press the MENU button.

2 Select ▶ (CAMERA SET) → $[NIGHTSHOT] \rightarrow [ON].$

- is displayed.
- · To cancel, set [NIGHTSHOT] to [OFF].

4 Notes

- · NIGHTSHOT can only be used when the AUTO/MANUAL switch is set to AUTO.
- · NIGHTSHOT uses infrared light. Make sure that your finger does not cover the NightShot light when shooting.
- Remove the lens hood
- · Do not use NIGHTSHOT in bright conditions. Doing so may damage the camcorder.

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. Press the ASSIGN3/PICTURE PROFILE button to display the picture profile selection screen.

Select a picture profile number to enable shooting with the selected picture profile settings (p. 82).

You can change the settings of the picture profile.

Picture quality settings for different recording conditions have been stored in [PP1] through [PP6] as default settings. [PP4] is set for the picture profile by default.

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 [ITU709] gamma
PP4	Example settings of a color tone that is faithful to [ITU709]
PP5	Example settings of pictures recorded on cinema color negative film
PP6	Example settings of pictures screened with cinema color print film

To change the picture profile

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

- ① Press the ASSIGN3/PICTURE PROFILE button.
- ② Select the picture profile number with the settings you want to change.
- 3 Select [SETTING].
- Select the item to adjust.
- (5) Adjust the picture quality.
- 6 Repeat steps 4 and 5 to adjust other items.
- Select [★ RETURN] → [OK].
 The picture profile indicator is displayed.

Copying the picture profile settings to another picture profile number

You can change settings by copying a picture profile. This is useful when you want to register similar settings.

- Press the ASSIGN3/PICTURE
 PROFILE button
- ② Select the source picture profile number to copy.
- ③ Select [SETTING] \rightarrow [COPY].
- 4 Select the destination picture profile number
- ⑤ Select [YES] \rightarrow [$\stackrel{\bigstar}{\longrightarrow}$ RETURN] \rightarrow [OK].

Resetting a picture profile

You can reset changed picture profile settings by the picture profile number. You cannot reset all picture profile settings at once.

- ① Press the ASSIGN3/PICTURE PROFILE button.
- ② Select the picture profile number that you want to reset to default settings.
- ③ Select [SETTING] \rightarrow [RESET] \rightarrow [YES] \rightarrow [$\stackrel{\checkmark}{\Rightarrow}$ RETURN] \rightarrow [OK].



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

Setting time data

The camcorder records movies accompanied by time data, such as timecode and user bits.

Setting the timecode

- ① Press the MENU button, and select (TC/UB SET) → [TC PRESET].
- ② Select [PRESET].
- ③ Select the first two digits. You can set the timecode within the following range.

When [60i] is selected: 00:00:00:00 to 23:59:59:29

• When setting 24p, you can set the last 2 timecode digits of the frames in multiples of 4, between 0 and 23.

When [50i] is selected: 00:00:00:00 to 23:59:59:24

- 4 Set other digits by repeating step 3.
- 5 Select [OK].

To reset the timecode

Select [RESET] in step ② of "Setting the timecode" to reset the timecode (00:00:00:00).

Setting the user bits

- ① Press the MENU button, and select (TC/UB SET) → [UB PRESET].
- ② Select [PRESET].
- 3 Select the first two digits.
- 4 Set other digits by repeating step 3.
- (5) Select [OK].

To reset the user bits

Select [RESET] in step ② of "Setting the user bits" to reset the user bits (00 00 00 00).

Reviewing the most recently recorded scene (Last Scene Review)

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

You can assign this function to an ASSIGN button.

For details about function assignment operation to an ASSIGN button, see "Assigning functions to the ASSIGN buttons" (p. 50).

After you stop recording, press the ASSIGN button to which [LAST SCENE REVIEW] is assigned.

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

To stop reviewing the last scene

Press the ASSIGN button to which [LAST SCENE REVIEW] is assigned during playback. The camcorder returns to standby mode.

6) Note

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

Assigning functions to the ASSIGN buttons

Some functions can be assigned to the ASSIGN buttons.

You can assign a single function to each of the ASSIGN1 to 6 buttons.

Default assigned functions

- ASSIGN1: (no function)
- ASSIGN2: STATUS CHECK (p. 54)
- ASSIGN3: PICTURE PROFILE (p. 47)
- ASSIGN4: FOCUS MAGNIFIER (p. 33)
- ASSIGN5: IRIS PUSH AUTO (p. 36)
- ASSIGN6: (no function)

Functions you can assign to the ASSIGN buttons

- - (no function)
- LOW LUX (p. 47)
- FOCUS MAGNIFIER (p. 33)
- LAST SCENE REVIEW (p. 49)
- WHITE BALANCE (p. 40)
- WB PRESET (p. 40)
- WB SET (p. 40)
- AE SHIFT (p. 66)
- D. EXTENDER (p. 66)
- STEADYSHOT (p. 66)
- FOCUS AREA (p. 67)
- FOCUS POSITION (p. 31)
- AF DRIVE SPEED (p. 31)
- AF TRACKING DEPTH (p. 32)
- AF SUBJ. SWITCH. SENS. (p. 32)
- FACE DETECTION (p. 34)
- AUTO MODE SET (p. 46)
- SCENE SELECTION SET (p. 46)
- NIGHTSHOT (p. 47)
- IRIS PUSH AUTO (p. 36)
- SPOT METER/FOCUS (p. 69)
- SPOT METER (p. 69)
- SPOT FOCUS (p. 69)
- COLOR BAR (p. 69)

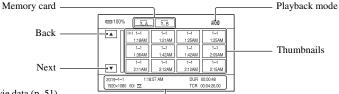
- DIRECT (p. 41)
- MENU (p. 62)
- PICTURE PROFILE (p. 47)
- VOLUME (p. 73)
- HISTOGRAM (p. 75)
- ZEBRA (p. 75)
- PEAKING (p. 75)
- PHASE AF FRAMES (p. 75)
- MARKER (p. 76)
- CAMERA DATA DISPLAY (p. 77)
- AUDIO LEVEL DISPLAY (p. 77)
- DATA CODE (p. 53)
- TC/UB DISPLAY (p. 78)
- STATUS CHECK (p. 54)
- REC LAMP (p. 81)
- THUMBNAIL (p. 51)

Playback

Playback

Insert a memory on which a movie has been recorded, and press the THUMBNAIL button (p. 14).

The THUMBNAIL screen appears after a few seconds.



- Current movie data (p. 51) -
 - · You can turn on or off the date and time display on the thumbnails by pressing the DISPLAY button.
 - · Icons may also be displayed on thumbnails.

Protected (p. 58) icon



2 Select the target memory card, then touch the movie thumbnail twice to play back.



- A Date and time of recording start
- **B** Resolution
- C Frame rate
- D Recording mode
- E Recording time
- F Timecode of recording start

Timecode will not be displayed correctly when you play back a memory card with no timecode, or a memory card with timecode that your camcorder does not support.

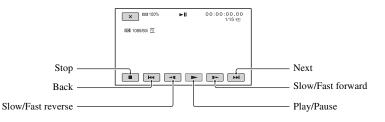
G DOLBY DIGITAL recording

Displayed when audio is recorded in Dolby Digital format.

• I>I appears with the movie that has been most recently played back or recorded. Selecting it will continue playback from the previous time.

Playback (Continued)

Playback starts.



🍟 Tips

- When playback from the selected movie reaches the last movie, the screen returns to the THUMBNAIL screen.
- Select ◄ 1/1 ➤ during pause to play back movies slowly.
- The playback speed increases based on the number of times that you select (4)/(19).

To adjust the volume

Press the MENU button and select $\$ (AUDIO SET) \rightarrow [VOLUME] to adjust the volume.

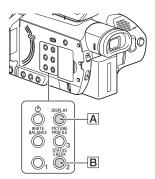
To return to recording mode

Press the THUMBNAIL 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.

Changing/checking the settings in your camcorder



Changing the screen display

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

Press the DISPLAY button (A).

The screen indicators turn on (displayed) ← off (not displayed) each time you press the button. In recording mode, the screen changes in the order, detailed display -> simple display → no display with each press of the button.

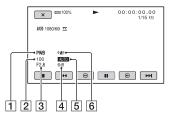
Ϋ́Tip

· You can display the screen indicators during playback on a TV by setting [DISPLAY OUTPUT] to [ALL OUTPUT] (p. 78).

Displaying recording data (Data Code)

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

- 1 Press the MENU button during playback.
- 2 Select (DISPLAY SET) → **IDATA CODE1.**
- 3 Select the information you want to display.



1 White balance

PWB appears during the playback of movies recorded with [MANU WB TEMP].

- 2 Shutter speed
- 3 Iris
- 4 ISO sensitivity/gain
- **5** Exposure

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

Changing/checking the settings in your camcorder (Continued)

6 Camera shake correction (STEADYSHOT)

6) Note

 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.

Checking the settings in your camcorder (Status Check)

Press the ASSIGN2/STATUS CHECK button **B** to check the settings of the following items.

- -Audio setup (p. 73)
- -Output signal setup (p. 71)
- -Functions assigned to the ASSIGN buttons (p. 50)
- -Camera setup (p. 65)
- -Record button setup (p. 27)
- -Memory card information
- -Battery information
- Record button setup
 You can check the record button setting.



Memory card information
 You can check the estimated used and free
 spaces.



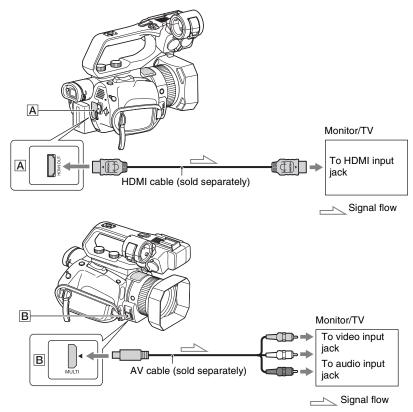
• Battery Info

You can check the remaining capacity of the attached battery.



Connecting to a monitor or a TV

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



4 Notes

- · Video signals cannot be output from the output jacks above simultaneously.
- The output resolution of VIDEO OUT is 480i when [60i] is selected, and 576i when [50i] is selected.
- It is recommended that you use an authorized cable with HDMI logo or a Sony HDMI cable.
- 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.
- When the frame rate in [REC FORMAT] is set to 24p or 30p (when [60i] is selected) or 25p (when [50i] is selected), the output signal is converted to interlace or progressive through pull-down conversion.
- Do not connect the output jacks of the camcorder with the output jacks of the monitor or TV. A malfunction may be caused.

Connecting to a monitor or a TV (Continued)

- 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.

Output signal formats

The signal format of the outputs from the HDMI OUT jack and multi/micro USB jack is shown below.

HDMI OUT output format (when [60i] is selected)

-: Independent of set value

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Menu item				
Recording format	HDMI	24p	— HDMI OUT output signal	
REC/OUT SET> REC SET> REC FORMAT	REC/OUT SET> VIDEO OUT>HDMI	REC/OUT SET> VIDEO OUT>24p	format	
1080/24p	1080p/480i	24p	1080/24p	
		60p	1080/60p	
	720p/480i		720/60p	
	1080i/480i		1080/60i	
	480p		480/60p	
	480i		480/60i	
1080/30p 1080/60p 720/60p 1080/60i 1080/60i (1440)	1080p/480i	_	1080/60p	
	720p/480i		720/60p	
	1080i/480i		1080/60i	
	480p		480/60p	
	480i		480/60i	

Multi/micro USB jack output format (when [60i] is selected)

Output is always 480/60i.

HDMI OUT output format (when [50i] is selected)

-: Independent of set value

Menu item		
Recording format	HDMI	
REC/OUT SET> REC SET> REC FORMAT	REC/OUT SET> VIDEO OUT>HDMI	HDMI OUT output signal format
All recording formats	1080p/576i	1080/50p
	720p/576i	720/50p
	1080i/576i	1080/50i
	576p	576/50p
	576i	576/50i

Multi/micro USB jack output format (when [50i] is selected)

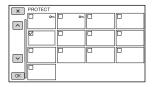
Output is always 576/50i.

Protecting movies (Protect)

Protect movies to avoid deleting them by mistake.

- 1 Press the MENU button when the THUMBNAIL screen is displayed.
- **2** Select \square (EDIT) \rightarrow [PROTECT].
- 3 Touch the movies to be protected.

✓ is displayed on the selected images.



- Press and hold the thumbnail to preview the image. Press to return to the previous screen.
- · You can select up to 100 images at one time.
- 4 Touch OK, successively, according to the screen display.

To undo the protection

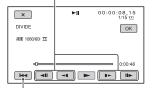
Touch the movie marked with ✓ in step 3. ✓ disappears.

Dividing a movie

You can divide a movie at a designated point.

- Press the MENU button while playing back movies.
- 2 Select \square (EDIT) \rightarrow [DIVIDE].
- 3 Touch II at the point where you want to divide.

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



Returns to the beginning of the selected movie.

4 Touch OK, successively, according to the screen display.

4 Notes

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

Editing

Deleting movies

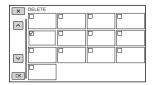
You can free media space by deleting movies from a memory card.

Notes

- You cannot restore images once they are deleted.
- Do not remove the battery pack, the AC Adaptor, or the memory card from your camcorder during the operation. It may damage the memory card.
- You cannot delete protected movies. Undo the protection of the movies before you try to delete them (p. 58).
- · Save important movies beforehand.

Ϋ́Tip

- To delete all data recorded on a memory card and recover all the recordable space, format the media (p. 60).
- 1 Press the MENU button when the THUMBNAIL screen is displayed.
- 2 Select □ (EDIT) → [DELETE].
- 3 Touch the movies to be deleted.
 - ✓ is displayed on the selected images.



- Press and hold the thumbnail to preview the image. Press X to return to the previous screen.
- · You can select up to 100 images at one time.
- appears at the upper right corner on the thumbnail of protected images.
- No checkbox appears on the thumbnail of protected images.

4 Touch OK, successively, according to the screen display.

Formatting a memory card

Formatting deletes data from the memory card to recover recordable free space.

4 Notes

- Connect your camcorder to the wall outlet (wall socket) using the supplied AC Adaptor 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 a memory card.
- · Protected movies are also deleted.
- 1 Press the MENU button.
- 2 Select ☐ (OTHERS) → [MEDIA FORMAT].
- 3 Select the memory card to be formatted.
- 4 Touch OK, successively, according to the screen display.

4 Note

While [Executing...] is displayed, do not turn
off the camcorder, do not operate any buttons on
the camcorder, disconnect the AC Adaptor, or
remove the memory card from your camcorder.
(The access lamp is lit or flashing during
formatting.)

Deleting all data from the memory card completely

If a memory card is used repeatedly, garbage data accumulate which may prevent the image data from being written at the fixed speed. In this case, recording may stop suddenly.

If this happens, empty the memory card to avoid the writing error. Emptying the memory card can erase more data than ordinary formatting.

Wotes

- If you perform this operation, all stored data are deleted. To avoid the loss of important images, you should save them before formatting a memory card.
- You cannot perform this operation unless you connect the AC Adaptor to the wall outlet (wall socket).
- Disconnect all cables except the AC Adaptor.
 Do not disconnect the AC Adaptor 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 (supplied) (p. 19).
- **2** Press the MENU button.
- 3 Select ☐ (OTHERS) → [MEDIA FORMAT].
- 4 Select the memory card to delete.
 The deletion screen appears.
- **5** Touch [Empty] $\rightarrow \bigcirc K$.

4) Notes

- It may take from several minutes to several hours to empty a memory card, 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 memory card next time.

🍹 Tip

 To prevent a data write error from occurring on the recording media, empty the media data from the camcorder before you start recording.
 By deleting all data using the [Empty] operation instead of the ordinary [MEDIA FORMAT] operation, you can minimize potential media write errors that might occur when recording.

Repairing the image database file

This function checks the database information and the consistency of movies on the memory card, and repairs any inconsistencies found.

6 Notes

- Connect your camcorder to the wall outlet (wall socket) using the supplied AC Adaptor to prevent your camcorder from running out of power during the operation.
- Correct repair may not be possible, even when repair is executed.
- 1 Press the MENU button.
- 2 Select ☐ (OTHERS) → [REPAIR IMAGE DB FILE].
- 3 Select the memory card for which you want to check the database file.
- 4 Touch OK.

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

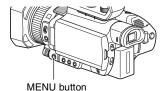
5 Touch OK, successively, according to the screen display.

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 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 memory card next time.

Operating the menu

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



△ A/▼/-/SET buttons

1 Press the MENU button.

The menu screen appears.

- 2 Use the ▲/▼/◄/►/SET buttons to select the desired menu, then press the button.
 - CAMERA SET (p. 65)
 - REC/OUT SET (p. 70)
 - AUDIO SET (p. 73)
 - DISPLAY SET (p. 75)
 - 00:00 TC/UB SET (p. 78)
 - OTHERS (p. 80)
 - EDIT (p. 82)

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

4 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.

Menu items

▶ CAMERA SET

- ISO/GAIN SEL
- AUTO ISO LIMIT
- AGC LIMIT
- WB PRESET
- WB OUTDOOR LEVEL
- WB TEMP SET
- WB SET
- AE SHIFT
- D. FXTFNDFR
- ZOOM SET
- III STEADYSHOT
- FOCUS AREA
- AF DRIVE SPEED
- AF SUBJ. TRACK SET
- LOCK-ON AF
- FACE DETECTION
- AUTO MODE SET
- SCENE SELECTION SET
- SPOT METER/FOCUS
- SPOT METER
- SPOT FOCUS
- LOW LUX
- AUTO BACK LIGHT
- NIGHTSHOT
- NIGHTSHOT LIGHT
- COLOR BAR
- PICTURE PROFILE

- REC SET
- VIDEO OUT

AUDIO SET

- **VOLUME**
- AVCHD AUDIO FORMAT
- AUDIO REC LEVEL
- INT MIC WIND
- MIC SELECT
- AUDIO OUTPUT TIMING

DISPLAY SET

- HISTOGRAM
- ZEBRA
- PEAKING
- PHASE AF FRAMES
- PHASE DETECT, AF AREA
- MARKER
 - FOCUS MAG RATIO
 - CAMERA DATA DISPLAY
- AUDIO I EVEL DISPLAY
- ZOOM DISPLAY
- FOCUS DISPLAY
- SHUTTER DISPLAY
- DATA CODE
- LCD BRIGHT
- VF COLOR TEMP.
 - DISPLAY OUTPUT

TC/UB SET

- TC/UB DISPLAY
- TC PRESET
- UB PRESET
- TC FORMAT
- TC RUN
- TC MAKE
- UB TIME REC

Menu items (Continued)

OTHERS

- STATUS CHECK
- CAMERA PROFILE
- ASSIGN BUTTON
- CLOCK SET
- AREA SET
- SUMMERTIME
- LANGUAGE
- DATE REC
- BEEP
- REC LAMP
- REMOTE CONTROL
- 60i/50i SEL
- MEDIA FORMAT
- REPAIR IMAGE DB FILE
- USB CONNECT
- USB LUN SET
- OPERATION TIME
- VERSION DISPLAY
- CALIBRATION
- □ INITIALIZE

□ EDIT

- PROTECT
- DIVIDE
- └ DELETE

The function and setting value of each menu item are as follows.

The default settings are marked with bold text.

The display sequence of menu items may vary from the device.

CAMERA SET menu

CAMERA SET		
Menu item	Sub-items/Settings	Description
ISO/GAIN SEL	ISO, GAIN	Switches the ISO sensitivity/gain display. ISO sensitivity and gain values are stored separately. ISO/GAIN SEL] can be set only when the AUTO/MANUAL switch is set to MANUAL.
AUTO ISO LIMIT	OFF , ISO200 to ISO4000	Selects the upper limit for ISO auto adjustment. • The configurable range varies depending on the [GAMMA] setting of the picture profile. • This function is not active while you adjust the ISO sensitivity manually. • The setting is enabled when [ISO/GAIN SEL] is set to [ISO]. • The value can be set independently of the value set by [AGC LIMIT].
AGC LIMIT	OFF , 24dB to 0dB	Selects the upper limit for the Auto Gain Control (AGC). • This function is not active while you adjust the gain manually. • The setting is enabled when [ISO/GAIN SEL] is set to [GAIN].
WB PRESET	OUTDOOR , INDOOR, MANU WB TEMP	Selects a preset white balance setting (p. 40).
WB OUTDOOR Level	–7 to +7 (0)	Sets the offset value when the preset white balance is set to [OUTDOOR]. Shifts to blue when negative, and to red when positive.
WB TEMP SET	2300K to 15000K (6500K)	Sets the color temperature value when the preset white balance is set to [MANU WB TEMP].
WB SET	=	Adjusts white balance for the shooting environment using one-push button (p. 40).

Menu items (Continued)

CAMERA SET		
Menu item	Sub-items/Settings	Description
AE SHIFT	ON/OFF OFF , ON	Turns the AE shift function on/off.
	LEVEL -2.0EV to +2.0EV (0EV)	Adjusts the brightness. • This function is not active while you adjust the iris, shutter speed, ISO sensitivity/gain all manually.
D. EXTENDER	OFF, ON	You can use 2× magnification when recording.
ZOOM SET	ZOOM TYPE OPTICAL ZOOM ONLY, ON[CLEAR IMAGE ZOOM], ON[DIGITAL ZOOM]	Selects the type of zoom used when operating the zoom lever. OPTICAL ZOOM ONLY: Uses optical zoom only. ON[CLEAR IMAGE ZOOM]: Uses clear image zoom in addition to optical zoom. • Clear Image Zoom maintains an image quality that is close to the original. ON[DIGITAL ZOOM]: Uses digital zoom in addition to optical zoom and clear image zoom. Image quality deteriorates within the range where pQ is displayed. • The face detection function, focus area, and lock-on AF are disabled when using clear image zoom and digital zoom.
	HANDLE ZOOM	Selects the zoom speed for the FIX position of
	1 to 8 (3)	the handle zoom speed switch.
	SPEED ZOOM	You can increase the zoom speed of the power
	OFF, ON	 zoom lever and the handle zoom. When you set this function to [ON], the operation sound of the zoom may also be recorded in the movie.
STEADYSHOT	STANDARD, ACTIVE, OFF	Sets the image stabilization to reduce camera shake when shooting. STANDARD (((((((((((((((((((((((((((((((((((

CAMERA SET		
Menu item	Sub-items/Settings	Description
FOCUS AREA	WIDE	Adjusts the focus automatically basically for the whole screen.
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		 When phase detection AF frames are displayed, you can specify the subject for focusing by touch.
	ZONE	Adjusts the focus automatically within a specified zone.
		F ▲ ¬
		• The zone is subdivided into nine squares (3 vertical × 3 horizontal).

CAMERA SET			
Menu item	Sub-items/Settings	Description	
FOCUS AREA	CENTER	Adjusts the focus automatically on the subject in the vicinity of the center of the screen. The auto focus operating range is indicated	
		by the focus area frame.	
	FLEXIBLE SPOT	Adjusts the focus automatically at the touched position on the screen.	
		▼	
		 This allows you to focus on small subjects or on a narrow area. The auto focus operating range is indicated by the focus area frame. 	
AF DRIVE SPEED	7[FAST] to 1[SLOW] (5[NORMAL])	Selects the speed for focusing used by auto focus.	
AF SUBJ. TRACK SET	AF TRACKING DEPTH 5[WIDE] to 1[NARROW] (3[NORMAL])	Selects the range for tracking subjects in the depth direction.	
	AF SUBJ. SWITCH. SENS. 5[RESPONSIVE] to 1[LOCKED ON] (3[NORMAL])	Selects the time taken for focusing on a new subject when switching subjects.	
LOCK-ON AF	OFF, ON	Turns the focus tracking function on/off for the subject selected by touching the screen (p. 32).	
FACE DETECTION	OFF, ON	Turns face detection and the facial focus function on/off (p. 34).	
AUTO MODE SET	AUTO, INTELLIGENT AUTO, SCENE SELECTION	Sets auto mode to optimize settings to suit the scene to record (p. 46).	

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CAMERA SET Menu item	Cub itame/Cattings	Description
SCENE SELECTION	Sub-items/Settings NIGHT SCENE,	Description Sets the scene to use when [AUTO MODE
SET	SUNRISE&SUNSET, FIREWORKS, LANDSCAPE, PORTRAIT, SPOTLIGHT, BEACH	SET] is set to [SCENE SELECTION] (p. 46).
SPOT METER/FOCUS	1	Automatically adjusts the brightness and focus of the subject selected by touching the screen.
SPOT METER		Automatically adjusts the brightness of the subject selected by touching the screen.
SPOT FOCUS		Automatically adjusts the focus of the subject selected by touching the screen.
LOW LUX	OFF, ON	Turns the function for shooting brighter colors in dark areas on/off. This function automatically adjusts the gain and shutter speed. This function is available only when [AUTO MODE SET] is set to [AUTO].
AUTO BACK LIGHT	OFF, ON	Turns auto backlight compensation on/off.
NIGHTSHOT	ON, OFF	Turns the NIGHTSHOT function on/off.
NIGHTSHOT LIGHT	ON, OFF	Turns the infrared light source for shooting in NIGHTSHOT mode (p. 47) on/off. Infrared lighting allows you to record clearer images in dark conditions. • Make sure that your finger does not cover the NightShot light (p. 7) when shooting. • Remove the lens hood (supplied) so that it does not block the infrared light emitter. • The light is effective up to a distance of approximately 3 meters (10 feet).
COLOR BAR	ON/OFF OFF, ON	Displays and records color bars, and outputs audio tone signals. • This function is automatically set to [OFF] when you switch the format, execute a function with the MENU button, or turn off the camcorder. • The [COLOR BAR] setting cannot be changed during recording or during focus magnifier operation. Sets whether to output an audio tone signal
	OFF, ON	(1 kHz: full bit, -20 dB) during color bar display. When turned off, the audio from the microphone is recorded during color bar display.

Menu items (Continued)

CAMERA SET				
Menu item	Sub-items/Settings	Description		
PICTURE PROFILE		Displays the PICTURE	PROFILE menu	
		(p. 47).		
REC/OUT SET n	nenu			
REC/OUT SET				
Menu item	Sub-items/Settings	Description		
REC SET	REC FORMAT	Sets the recording format.		
		 When [60i] is selected, the frame rate displayed on the screen differs from the actual frame rate. 		
		Frame rate display	Actual frame rate	
		24	23.98	
		30	29.97	
		60	59.94	
		When [60i] is selected	When [50i] is selected	
		1080/60p PS	1080/50p PS	
		1080/60i FX	1080/50i FX	
		1080/60i FH	1080/50i FH	
		1080/60i LP	1080/50i LP	
		1080/30p FX	1080/25p FX	
		1080/24p FX	_	
		720/60p HQ	720/50p HQ	
		• Image size: 1080: 1920×1080 (PS (LP) 720: 1280×720 (HQ) • Bit-rate PS: max. 28 Mbps FX: max. 24 Mbps	, FX, FH), 1440×1080	

SIMUL/RELAY REC

SIMULTANEOUS REC, RELAY REC

OFF.

FH: approx. 17 Mbps (average) HQ: approx. 9 Mbps (average) LP: approx. 5 Mbps (average)

Sets relay recording (p. 26) or simultaneous

recording (p. 27) using multiple memory cards.

REC/OUT SET Menu item	Sub-items/Settings	Description	
REC SET	REC BUTTON SETTING	Sets the operation of the START/STOP button and handle record button when [SIMULTANEOUS REC] is selected (p. 27).	
VIDEO OUT	HDMI When [60i] is selected: 1080p/480i, 720p/480i, 1080i/480i, 480p, 480i When [50i] is selected: 1080p/576i, 720p/576i, 1080i/576i, 576p, 576i	Selects the resolution of the output signal from the HDMI OUT jack. • See page 56 for the format of the output signal for each type of connection cable.	
	24p OUTPUT 24p /60p	Sets the output format when the frame rate is set to 24 and progressive scan method setting selected. • Available only when [60i] is selected. • Enabled only when [HDMI] is set to [1080 480i].	
	DOWN CONVERT TYPE SQUEEZE , LETTER BOX(16:9), EDGE CROP	Sets the video output signal format. Use this function for outputting movies recorded in 16:9 under the following conditions. • Output from VIDEO OUT • 480p/480i output from HDMI OUT	
		HD (16:9)	
		SQUEEZE LETTER EDGE CROP	
	HDMI TC OUTPUT OFF, ON	Sets whether to output timecode to other professional-use devices, using HDMI.	

REC/OUT SET				
Menu item	Sub-items/Settings	Description		
VIDEO OUT	HDMI REC CONTROL OFF , ON	When the camcorder is connected to an external recorder, this sets whether to record to the external recorder based on the camcorder's operation. ON: Record based on the camcorder operation. OFF: Does not record based on the camcorder operation. Icons displayed when [ON] is selected.		
		© 1111	Ready to send a trigger to start recording on an external recorder.	
		© II	A trigger to start recording has been sent to an external recorder.	
		No icon	A trigger to start recording cannot be sent to an external recorder.	
		VITC is not embedded when [HDMI REC		
		CONTROL] is set to [ON]. • HDMI REC CONTROL is forcibly disabled		
		when [HDMI TC OUTPUT] is [OFF]. • Even when () m or () to is displayed on the screen, recording to an external recorder may not be carried out correctly, depending on the external recorder's status (e.g.		
		insufficient free space on recording media, low battery charge, incorrect connection to camcorder). When recording on an external recorder, check that recording is being		
-		carried out correctly.		

AUDIO SET menu

AUDIO SET		
Menu item	Sub-items/Settings	Description
VOLUME	v	Adjusts the volume.
AVCHD AUDIO FORMAT	LINEAR PCM, DOLBY DIGITAL	Switches the recording audio format. LINEAR PCM (\(\mathcal{L} \text{PCM} \)): Records in linear PCM format. DOLBY DIGITAL (\(\mathcal{L} \text{DOlbyD} \)): Records in Dolby Digital format.
AUDIO REC LEVEL	REC LEVEL MODE NORMAL, HIGH, MANUAL MANUAL REC LEVEL 1 to 31 (21)	Sets the audio input recording level for the internal microphone and external microphone (sold separately). REC LEVEL MODE: Selects the recording level mode. MANUAL REC LEVEL: Sets the recording sensitivity when the recording level mode is [MANUAL]. • We recommend that you wear headphones to monitor the level during adjustment. • If you repeatedly capture continuous loud sounds, setting a low level allows you to record more realistic audio. • The limiter is always enabled, regardless of the recording level setting. • The recording level cannot be adjusted when using a dedicated microphone attached to the Multi Interface Shoe.
INT MIC WIND	OFF, ON	Turns the wind noise reduction function on/off. It attenuates low tone input sound in the internal microphone to reduce wind noise.

AUDIO SET		
Menu item	Sub-items/Settings	Description
MIC SELECT	AUTO, INT MIC, MI SHOE MIC, STEREO MINI MIC	Selects the microphone to use for recording audio. AUTO: The microphone used for recording audio is automatically selected based on the microphone that is connected. • The microphone is selected in the following order of priority: External microphone connected to MIC jack (PLUG IN POWER) > Microphone connected to XLR handle unit or Multi Interface Shoe compatible microphone > Internal microphone INT MIC: Records audio using the camcorder's internal microphone. MI SHOE MIC: Records audio using a microphone connected to the XLR handle unit or a Multi Interface Shoe compatible microphone. STEREO MINI MIC: Records audio using a microphone connected to the stereo mini jack. • When [AUTO] is selected and the XLR handle unit is connected to the camcorder without a microphone attached to the INPUT1 and INPUT2 jacks, the internal microphone is not selected and no audio is recorded. In this case, select [INT MIC].
AUDIO OUTPUT TIMING	LIVE, LIP SYNC	Selects the timing of the audio output when recording. LIVE: When recording, audio is output without any delay. LIP SYNC: When recording, audio is synchronized with video before output. • Select [LIP SYNC] when using the HDMI jack to record to an external device.

DISPLAY SET menu

DISPLAY SET			
Menu item	Sub-items/Settings	Description	
HISTOGRAM	OFF, ON, ON[ZEBRA POINT]	Sets the histogram display. OFF: Does not display a 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].	
ZEBRA	ZEBRA SELECT OFF , ZEBRA1, ZEBRA2	Selects the type of zebra display (ZEBRA1 or ZEBRA2). OFF: Does not display the zebra pattern. ZEBRA1: Displays a zebra pattern in areas where the image level is in the range set by [ZEBRA1 APERTURE LEVEL] centered on the image level set in [ZEBRA1 LEVEL]. ZEBRA2: Displays a zebra pattern in areas where the image level exceeds the level set in [ZEBRA2 LEVEL].	
	ZEBRA1 LEVEL 0% to 109% (1) (70%)	Sets the level to display ZEBRA1.	
	ZEBRA1 APERTURE LEVEL 2% to 20% (2) (10%)	Sets the range for displaying a zebra pattern centered on the level set in [ZEBRA1 LEVEL].	
	ZEBRA2 LEVEL 0% to 109% (1) (100%)	Sets the level to display ZEBRA2.	
PEAKING	ON/OFF OFF, ON	Sets the peaking display. You can focus more easily using this function in combination with the focus magnifier function (p. 33). The peaking is not recorded with the image.	
	COLOR WHITE, RED, YELLOW	Selects the peaking color.	
	LEVEL HIGH, MIDDLE , LOW	Selects the peaking sensitivity.	
PHASE AF FRAMES	OFF, ON	Selects whether to display phase detection AF frames when shooting with auto focus and [FOCUS AREA] is set to [WIDE] or [ZONE].	
PHASE DETECT. AF AREA	OFF, ON	Selects whether to display phase detection AF area when shooting with auto focus.	

DISPLAY SET		
Menu item	Sub-items/Settings	Description
MARKER	ON/OFF OFF, ON	Sets the marker display. You can display multiple types of markers at the same time. • Markers are not recorded with the image. • During marker display, only the timecode, zebra, peaking, and face detection indicators are output, even if [DISPLAY OUTPUT] is set to [ALL OUTPUT]. • You cannot display markers when using [FOCUS MAGNIFIER].
CENTER ON, OFF ASPECT		(Center marker) (Aspect marker)
	OFF , 4:3, 13:9, 14:9, 15:9, 1.66:1, 1.85:1, 2.35:1	
	SAFETY ZONE OFF, 80%, 90%	(Safety zone)
	GUIDEFRAME OFF , ON	(Guideframe)
FOCUS MAG RATIO	×4.0, ×8.0, ×4.0/×8.0	Sets the focus magnification ratio. When "×4.0/×8.0" is selected, the setting changes in the order [×4.0] → [×8.0] → [OFF] with each press of the ASSIGN4/FOCUS MAGNIFIER button.

DISPLAY SET				
Menu item	Sub-items/Settings	Description		
CAMERA DATA Display	OFF, ON	Sets whether to display the iris, ISO sensitivit gain, and shutter speed values. Main 100% TA STBY 00:04:50.04		
		№ 72. 8 № 0 dB № 100		
		Iris value Shutter speed value		
		ISO sensitivity/gain value		
		 The settings appear during manual adjustment, regardless of the setting of this function. Indicates that the settings are automatically adjusted values. The indicator changes to when exposure is fixed by [SPOT METER] or [SPOT METER/FOCUS] (p. 38). The displayed settings are different from those displayed by [DATA CODE] (p. 53). 		
AUDIO LEVEL DISPLAY	ON, OFF	Sets whether to display the audio level meters.		
ZOOM DISPLAY	BAR, NUMBER	Sets whether to display the zoom position as a bar or number.		
FOCUS DISPLAY	METER, FEET	Sets the display of the focus distance in meters or feet.		
SHUTTER DISPLAY	SECOND, DEGREE	Sets the display of the shutter speed in seconds or 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. • When you press the ASSIGN button to which [DATA CODE] is assigned, the shutter speed is displayed in seconds regardless of this setting. • If the shutter speed is more than 360 degrees, it is displayed as an integral multiple of 360 degrees (360 × 2, etc.).		

DISPLAY SET		
Menu item	Sub-items/Settings	Description
DATA CODE	OFF , DATE/TIME, CAMERA DATA	Selects the information that is displayed during playback. OFF: No information is displayed. DATE/TIME: The date and time are displayed. CAMERA DATA: Camera data is displayed.
LCD BRIGHT	NORMAL, BRIGHT	Adjusts the brightness of the LCD screen. Changes in the LCD brightness do not affect the brightness of recorded images.
VF COLOR TEMP.	-2/-1/0/+1/+2 (0)	Sets the color temperature of the viewfinder. Low color temperature makes the viewfinder appear reddish, and high color temperature makes it appear bluish.
DISPLAY OUTPUT	LCD PANEL, ALL OUTPUT	Sets the output to display information, such as the timecode. You can select to display information on the LCD screen only, or output the information to the VIDEO OUT, HDMI OUT jacks and the LCD screen. Zebra, peaking and the frame on the face are also output. • During marker display, only the timecode, zebra, peaking, and face detection indicators are output, even if [DISPLAY OUTPUT] is set to [ALL OUTPUT].

TC/UB SET menu

TC/UB SET		
Menu item	Sub-items/Settings	Description
TC/UB DISPLAY	TC, U-BIT	Switches the display to timecode or user bits.
TC PRESET	PRESET, RESET	Sets the timecode (p. 48).
UB PRESET	PRESET, RESET	Sets the user bits (p. 49).

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TC/UB SET		
Menu item	Sub-items/Settings	Description
TC FORMAT	DF , NDF	Switches the timecode recording method when [60i] is selected. The timecode is fixed to [NDF] when [50i] is selected. DF: Records the timecode in drop frame. NDF: Records the timecode in non-drop frame. The timecode is also fixed to [NDF] (when [60i] is selected) when the frame rate is set to 24 in [REC FORMAT].
		• Drop-frame Timecode 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 signals is 29.97 frames per second. Drop frame corrects this gap to make timecode and actual time equal. In drop frame, the first 2 frame numbers are removed every minute except in every tenth minute. Timecode without this correction is called non-drop frame.
TC RUN	REC RUN, FREE RUN	Sets how the timecode advances.
		REC RUN: Advances the timecode only during recording. Select this setting to record the timecode sequentially from the last timecode of the previous recording. • Even if the timecode advances in [REC RUN] mode, the timecode may not be recorded sequentially in the following cases: - When the recording format is changed When the memory card is removed. FREE RUN: Advances the timecode regardless of operation of your camcorder.
TC MAKE	PRESET, REGENERATE	Sets how the timecode continues. PRESET: Records a preset set timecode on the memory card. REGENERATE: Reads the last recorded
		timecode from the memory card, and starts recording with a consecutive timecode. • The timecode advances in [REC RUN] mode, regardless of the setting of [TC RUN].
UB TIME REC	OFF, ON	Sets whether to save the actual time in user bit code. • The last 2 digits are fixed to "00" when it is set to [ON].

OTHERS menu		
OTHERS		
Menu item	Sub-items/Settings	Description
STATUS CHECK	J .	Checks the settings in your camcorder (p. 54).
CAMERA PROFILE	MEMORY CARD A,	Loads, saves, and deletes camera profiles.
ASSIGN DITTON	MEMORY CARD B	 A camera profile saves configuration settings, such as menu, picture profile, and button settings. Up to 99 profiles can be saved on a memory card. Camera profiles for the 50i model and 60i model are not compatible. You cannot use a computer to edit saved settings. The file may not be shown properly if the file name is changed on the computer, or the power turned off during generation. A camera profile saved on a camcorder with different model name, or edited on a computer cannot be loaded. Formatting the memory card also deletes saved camera profiles.
ASSIGN BUTTON	ASSIGN1, ASSIGN2, ASSIGN3, ASSIGN4, ASSIGN5, ASSIGN6	Assigns functions to the ASSIGN buttons (p. 50).
CLOCK SET		Sets the date and time (p. 20).
AREA SET		Sets the time difference for when using the camcorder abroad. You can adjust the time difference without stopping the clock.
SUMMERTIME	OFF, ON	Sets whether to use summer time. When set to [ON], the time moves forward 1 hour.
LANGUAGE		Sets the display language.
DATE REC	OFF, ON	Sets whether to record the date and time on the recorded images. • You can set this item only when the interlace scanning system is selected. • When zebra or peaking is activated, the date and time characters are affected by the signal, but are properly recorded on images.
ВЕЕР	OFF, ON	Sets whether to emit a sound when you start/ stop recording or when a warning appears, etc.

OTHERS		
Menu item	Sub-items/Settings	Description
REC LAMP	ON, OFF	Sets whether to turn on the recording lamp of the camcorder when recording.
REMOTE CONTROL	ON, OFF	Sets whether to use the infrared Wireless Remote Commander (sold separately).
60i/50i SEL		Selects the frame rate corresponding to the television format of the region where the camcorder is used. 60i: NTSC 50i: PAL The default setting is 60i for NTSC regions and 50i for PAL regions. Refer to the label on the bottom of the camcorder. The camcorder automatically restarts if you change the setting.
MEDIA FORMAT	MEMORY CARD A, MEMORY CARD B	Formats a memory card (p. 60).
REPAIR IMAGE DB FILE	MEMORY CARD A, MEMORY CARD B	Repairs the image database file of a memory card (p. 61).
USB CONNECT		Use this if [USB CONNECT] does not appear after connecting the camcorder to another device with a USB cable.
USB LUN SET	MULTI, SINGLE	Improves compatibility by limiting the functions of the USB connection. • Set to [MULTI] under normal conditions. Set to [SINGLE] if you are unable to connect using the [MULTI] setting.
OPERATION TIME		Displays the total hours of operation in 10-hour units.
VERSION DISPLAY		Displays the version of your camcorder. • Be sure to check for firmware updates. • To perform an update, use the AC Adaptor.
CALIBRATION		Calibrates the touch panel (p. 107).
INITIALIZE		Resets all settings, including the clock setting to their default values. The contents configured in a picture profile are not reset.

EDIT menu

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

EDIT		
Menu item	Sub-items/Settings	Description
PROTECT	-	Protects (locks) files (p. 58).
DIVIDE	=	Divides a movie (p. 58).
DELETE	=	Deletes a movie (p. 59).

PICTURE PROFILE menu

The PICTURE PROFILE menu is displayed by pressing the ASSIGN3/PICTURE PROFILE button.

Item	Sub-items	Settings	Description
BLACK LEVEL		-15 to +15	Sets the black level.
GAMMA		STANDARD, STILL, CINE1, CINE2, CINE3, CINE4, ITU709	Selects a gamma curve. STANDARD: Standard gamma curve for movies. STILL: Gamma curve for still image capture. CINE1: Softens the contrast in dark parts and accentuates gradation changes in bright parts to produce images with subdued tones (equivalent to HG4609G33). CINE2: Produces a similar effect to [CINE1]. Select this to obtain images with 100% video signal for editing or other purposes (equivalent to HG4600G30). CINE3: Increases contrast between bright areas and dark areas more than [CINE1], and accentuates gradation changes in blacks. CINE4: Increases contrast in dark areas more than [CINE3]. The dark area contrast is weaker and the bright area contrast is stronger than that of [STANDARD]. ITU709: Gamma curve equivalent to ITU-709. Gain in low intensity area: 4.5.

Item	Sub-items		Settings	Description
BLACK	Corrects gamn	na in low intensity	y areas.	
GAMMA	RANGE	RANGE		Selects the correction range.
	LEVEL		-7 (maximum black compression) to +7 (maximum black stretch)	Sets the correction level.
KNEE	MODE		AUTO, MANUAL	Selects the mode. AUTO: Sets the knee point and slope automatically. MANUAL: Sets the knee point and slope manually.
	AUTO SET	Settings when	[AUTO] is select	ed.
		MAX POINT	90% to 100%	MAX POINT: Sets the maximum value of the knee point.
		SENSITIVITY	HIGH, MIDDLE, LOW	SENSITIVITY: Sets the sensitivity.
	MANUAL	Settings when	MANUAL] is se	elected.
	SET	POINT	75% to 105%	POINT: Sets the knee point.
		SLOPE	-5 (gentle) to +5 (steep)	SLOPE: Sets the knee slope. • [KNEE] is disabled when set to +5.
COLOR MODE			STANDARD, STILL, CINEMA, PRO, ITU709 MATRIX, B/W	Sets the type and level of color. STANDARD: Suitable colors when [GAMMA] is set to [STANDARD]. STILL: Suitable colors when [GAMMA] is set to [STILL]. CINEMA: Suitable colors when [GAMMA] is set to [CINE1]. PRO: Natural color tone when [GAMMA] is set to [ITU709]. ITU709 MATRIX: Colors corresponding to ITU-709 B/W: Black and white
SATURATION	I		-32 (light) to +32 (dark)	Sets the color saturation.
COLOR PHASE			-7 (greenish) to +7 (reddish)	Sets the color phase.

Item	Sub-items	Settings	Description
COLOR DEPTH	R	-7 (light red) to +7 (deep	Sets the color depth for each color phase.
		red)	The darker the color, the greater
	G	-7 (light green)	
		to +7 (deep	for subjects lacking color. The
		green)	subject looks darker and colors
	В	-7 (light blue)	look deeper as you increase the
		to +7 (deep	setting value to the positive side,
		blue)	and brighter and lighter as you decrease the value to the
	C	-7 (light cyan)	negative side.
		to +7 (deep	negative side.
		cyan)	_
	M	–7 (light	
		magenta) to +7	
		(deep magenta)	_
	Y	-7 (light	
		yellow) to +7	
-		(deep yellow)	

Item	Sub-items	Settings	Description
COLOR CORRECTION	turned off. However, if you we time of the day, weather, local CORRECTION] again prior to Changing the white balance versions and colors that a fif the above settings have been configured, check the [COLO]. During the automatic white balantomatically varies according	be retained even if the power is ors that may change according to commended that you set [COLOR gs of [WB SHIFT], picture profile will change the COLOR CORRECTION] was N settings prior to recording. t, the white balance value	
	ТҮРЕ	OFF, COLOR REVISION, COLOR EXTRACT	
	MEMORY SELECTION	1, 2, 1&2	Selects a memory to enable. 1: Enables memory 1 settings only. 2: Enables memory 2 settings only. 1&2: Enables settings in both memory 1 and 2.

Item	Sub-items		Settings	Description
COLOR	MEMORY1 COLOR	PHASE	0 (purple) to 8 (red) to 16 (yellow) to 24 (green) to 31 (blue)	Sets the color phase of memory 1.
		PHASE RANGE	0 (no color selection), 1 (narrow: to select only a single color) to 31 (wide: to select multiple colors with similar color phase)	Sets the phase range of memory 1.
		SATURATION	0 (to select light colors to dark colors) to 31 (to select dark colors only)	Sets the saturation of memory 1.
		ONE PUSH SET	-	Automatically sets [PHASE] for the subject at the center of the center marker. [SATURATION] is reset to 0.
	MEMORY1 REVISION	PHASE	-15 to +15	Corrects the phase of the color selected in memory 1. • When set to 0, the color is not corrected.
		SATURATION	–15 to +15	Corrects the saturation of the color selected in memory 1. • When set to 0, the color is not corrected.
	MEMORY2 COLOR		_	Sets the color configured in memory 2. See [MEMORY1 COLOR] for description and settings.
	MEMORY2 REVISION		-	Corrects the color in memory 2. See [MEMORY1 REVISION] for description and settings.

Item	Sub-items		Settings	Description			
WB SHIFT	Sets the white	Sets the white balance shift.					
	• Items you ca	Items you can adjust differ depending on the filter type.					
	FILTER TYPI	Ε	LB-CC, R-B	Selects a color filter type for the white balance shift.			
				LB-CC: Film type (color			
				temperature conversion and			
				color correction)			
				R-B: Video type (correction of R and B levels)			
	LB[COLOR		–9 (bluish) to	Sets the color temperature offset			
	TEMP]		+9 (reddish)	value.			
	CC[MG/GR]		–9 (greenish)	Sets the color correction offset			
			to +9	value.			
			(magentish)				
	R GAIN		–9 (low R	Sets the R level.			
			level) to +9				
			(high R level)				
	B GAIN		-9 (low B	Sets the B level.			
			level) to +9				
DETAIL	Sets the detail.		(high B level)				
DETME	LEVEL		–7 to +7	Sets the DETAIL level.			
	MANUAL	ON/OFF	ON, OFF	Turns manual DETAIL			
	SET	ON/OPT	ON, OIT	adjustment on/off.			
	SEI			Set to [ON] to enable manual			
				DETAIL adjustment (automatic			
				optimization will not be			
				performed).			
		V/H	-2 (stronger	Sets the balance between vertical			
		BALANCE	vertical (V)	(V) DETAIL and horizontal (H)			
			DETAIL) to	DETAIL.			
			+2 (stronger				
			horizontal (H)				
			DETAIL)				
		B/W	TYPE1	Selects the balance between			
		BALANCE		black (B) DETAIL for low			
			(B) DETAIL)	luminance areas and white (W)			
			to TYPE5	DETAIL for high luminance			
			(stronger white (W) DETAIL)	areas.			
			(W) DETAIL)				

Item	Sub-items		Settings	Description
DETAIL		LIMIT	0 (low limit level (likely to be limited)) to 7 (high limit level (not likely to be limited))	Sets the limit level of the DETAIL.
		CRISPENING	0 (shallow crispening level) to 7 (deep crispening level)	Sets the crispening level.
		HI-LIGHT DETAIL	0 to 4	Sets the DETAIL level in the high intensity areas.
COPY			=	Copies the settings of the picture profile to another picture profile number.
RESET			-	Resets the picture profile to the default setting.

Troubleshooting

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

1) Check your camcorder, referring to the items on pages 89 to 96.



② Disconnect the power source, reconnect the power source after about 1 minute and turn on your camcorder.



③ Select (OTHERS) → INITIALIZE.

This operation will reset the date, time, and area settings.



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Power sources/LCD screen

The power does not turn on or abruptly turns off.

- Attach a charged battery pack to the camcorder (p. 18).
- Use the AC Adaptor to connect the camcorder to a wall outlet (wall socket) (p. 18).

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.
- Select
 ☐ (OTHERS) → INITIALIZE.

The camcorder gets warm.

Camera body may get warm with use — this is normal.

The POWER/CHG lamp is not lit while charging the battery pack.

- Turn off the power.
- · Reattach the battery pack correctly.
- Re-insert the plug in the power outlet correctly.
- · The battery pack is already fully charged.

Troubleshooting (Continued)

The POWER/CHG lamp flashes while charging the battery pack.

- The battery pack may not be able to be charged if the temperature of the battery pack is too high or too low.
- · Reattach the battery pack correctly.
- If the lamp continues to flash, there may be a problem with the camcorder. Disconnect the plug from the power outlet, and contact a service representative.

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 with a new battery (p. 18, 105).
- 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 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 with a new battery (p. 18, 105).

Grid-like points are visible on the panel.

 This is not a malfunction. These points are normal results of the manufacturing process and do not affect the recording in any way.

The image on the viewfinder is not clear.

• Move the diopter adjustment dial until the image is clear (p. 22).

The touch panel is open, but the LCD screen is not displayed.

 The LCD screen is not displayed if the eye sensor detects something nearby and the camcorder switches to viewfinder view.

Memory cards

The camcorder does not operate with the memory card inserted.

• The memory card was formatted on a computer, Format it on this camcorder (p. 60).

The data file name is incorrect, or flashing.

- · The file is damaged.
- The file format is not supported on your camcorder (p. 104).

The memory card indicator is flashing.

 An error occurred with the memory card during recording. Stop recording of all memory cards, and repair the database file.

Images on the memory card 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. 58).

Cannot play back or memory card is not recognized on another device.

• The playback device does not support playback of the memory card.

Recording

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

- The playback screen is displayed. Finish playback operation (p. 52).
- The previously shot scene is still being written to the memory card. Shooting a new scene cannot start while writing data.
- There is no empty space on the memory card. Replace the memory card with a new one or format the memory card (p. 60). Delete unnecessary images (p. 59).
- Total number of movie scenes exceeds the recordable capacity of your camcorder (p. 100). Delete unnecessary images (p. 59).
- 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.
- · An error occurred with the memory card during recording. Stop recording of all memory cards, and repair the database file.

The handle zoom does not work.

• Set the handle zoom speed switch to FIX or VAR (p. 28).

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.

• Depending on the recording conditions, the time available for recording may be shorter, for example when recording a fast moving object, etc. (p. 100).

Troubleshooting (Continued)

Recording stops.

• Recording may stop if the camcorder is subjected to repeated vibration.

The camcorder does not keep the setting changes.

- Some menu items return to the default setting when the power is turned off.
- The [FOCUS MAGNIFIER] setting is not stored.
- The battery pack or AC Adaptor was disconnected while the power was turned on. Before
 disconnecting the battery pack or AC Adaptor, turn off the power 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 actually starts or stops.

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.

Automatic focus does not function.

- Press the AF/MF button (p. 30) to set the focus to automatic adjustment.
- Adjust the focus manually if the automatic focus does not work properly (p. 30).

The phase detection AF frame display is not visible.

 The camcorder may have switched to contrast AF mode due to the subject conditions or user settings. This is not a malfunction.

Image stabilization is not working.

- Set [STEADYSHOT] to [ACTIVE] or [STANDARD].
- SteadyShot image stabilization may not be able to correct the image if the shaking is too large, even if [STEADYSHOT] is set to [ACTIVE] or [STANDARD].

Image cannot be recorded or played back properly.

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

Back up the image data, then format the media using [MEDIA FORMAT].

Menu items are graved 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 (menu disabled)	Situation
[ON/OFF] of [AE SHIFT]	All of iris, ISO sensitivity/gain, and shutter speed are set manually.
[ZEBRA], [PEAKING]	[COLOR BAR] is set to [ON].
[ON/OFF] of [MARKER]	[FOCUS MAGNIFIER] is set to [ON].
[TC PRESET]	[TC MAKE] is set to [REGENERATE].
[COLOR BAR]	Movies are being recorded. [FOCUS MAGNIFIER] is set to [ON].

The settings of menu items change.

• When the AUTO/MANUAL switch is set to AUTO, settings related to picture quality automatically change.

Iris, ISO sensitivity/gain, 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. 37). This is not a malfunction.

The subjects passing by the frame very fast appear crooked.

• This is called 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. 37).

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

• Adjust the shutter speed (p. 37).

Fine patterns flicker, diagonal lines look jagged.

• Adjust [DETAIL] to the negative side (p. 87).

The timecode is not recorded in sequence.

• The timecode may not be recorded sequentially if you change the settings of [REC FORMATI.

Troubleshooting (Continued)

Image color is not correct.

• Cancel NIGHTSHOT (p. 47).

The image is not visible because the screen is too bright.

• Cancel NIGHTSHOT (p. 47).

Cannot adjust [LCD BRIGHT].

- [LCD BRIGHT] cannot be adjusted in the following cases.
 - The LCD screen is in the stowed position with the screen facing outward.
 - When using the AC Adaptor.

Playback

See "Memory cards" (p. 90).

The desired images cannot be found.

Images cannot be played back.

- Select the memory card of the image you want to play back on the THUMBNAIL screen (p. 51).
- Image data cannot be played back if you have modified file names or folders, or have edited the data on a computer. This is not a malfunction.
- Images recorded on other devices may not be played back, or displayed in incorrect size. This
 is not a malfunction.
- Display the THUMBNAIL screen, touch twice on the thumbnail you want to play, or select the thumbnail and press the ▲/▼/◄/▶/SET button (p. 51).

The data file name is incorrect, or flashing.

- · The file is damaged.
- The file format is not supported on your camcorder (p. 104).
- Only the file name is displayed, if the folder structure does not conform to the universal standard.

Audio is not recorded properly.

- If an external microphone or other device is connected or disconnected while recording a
 movie, the audio may not be recorded properly. Audio is recorded properly by restoring the
 connection state of the microphone that was in force at the start of recording.
- Audio is not recorded if [AUDIO REC LEVEL] is adjusted so that the volume is set to the minimum.

No sound or only a low sound is heard.

• Turn up the playback volume (p. 52).

"---" is displayed on the LCD screen.

• Bars will be displayed for the camera data of the movies recorded with [COLOR BAR] set to [ON].

Multi ch appears on the LCD screen.

• Multi ch 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 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 a 4:3 TV.

• This happens when viewing a movie recorded in 16:9 (wide) mode on a 4:3 TV. Select \rightleftarrows (REC/OUT SET) → [VIDEO OUT] → [DOWN CONVERT TYPE] and set the appropriate down conversion type (p. 71).

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

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

Copying/Editing/Connecting to other devices

Timecode and other information appear on the display of the connected device.

• Set [DISPLAY OUTPUT] to [LCD PANEL] (p. 78).

Copy cannot be done correctly using the A/V connecting cable (sold separately).

• The A/V connecting cable (sold separately) is not connected properly. Make sure that the A/V connecting cable (sold separately) is connected to the input jack of the device.

Sound cannot be added after recording.

· You cannot add sound after recording on your camcorder.

Troubleshooting (Continued)

Copy cannot be done correctly using the HDMI cable.

· You cannot copy movies using the HDMI cable.

Cannot divide movies.

- The following types of movie cannot be divided.
 - Movies with a very short recording duration.
- · Cancel file protection and then try to divide.

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.
- Software must be installed to copy movies to your computer (p. 17).

Warning indicators and messages

Self-diagnosis display/Warning indicators

When an error occurs, a warning indicator appears on the LCD screen or in the viewfinder.

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. 105).
- Connect the DC plug of the AC Adaptor firmly to the DC IN jack of the camcorder.

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 memory cards. After installing them again, operate your camcorder.

C:32:□□

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

E: | | | | |

• Try steps 2 to 4 on page 89.

(Battery level warning)

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

▲ [] (Warning indicators 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.

pertaining to memory cards)

Slow flashing

- · Free space for recording images are running out. For the type of memory cards you can use with your camcorder, see page 23.
- No memory card is inserted (p. 23).

Fast flashing

- There is not enough free space for recording images. Delete unnecessary images (p. 59), or format the memory card (p. 60) after you save the images to your computer or another device.
- · The image database file may be damaged (p. 61).

আঁ আঁβ (Warning indicators pertaining to memory card formatting)*

- The memory card is damaged.
- · The memory card is not formatted correctly (p. 60).

€?A €?B (Warning indicators pertaining to incompatible memory cards)*

· Incompatible memory card is inserted (p. 23).

←A ←¬ ←B ←¬ (Warning indicators) pertaining to the write-protect of the memory card)*

· The write-protect switch is set to lock position on the memory card.

Warning indicators and messages (Continued)

- Access to the memory card was restricted on another device.
- * When [BEEP] is set to [ON] (p. 80), you hear a melody when the warning indicators appear on the LCD screen.

Description of warning messages

If a warning message is displayed, follow the instructions.

Memory cards

Inconsistencies found in image database file. Do you want to repair the image database file? Inconsistencies found in image database file. Cannot record or play HD movies. Do you want to repair the image database file?

 You cannot record or play back movies because no movie management information exists. If you touch [OK], new management information is created and you can record or play back movies.

Inconsistencies found in the image database file. Back up and recover. Recover, then import using the included PC software.

 Inconsistencies occur in the image database file because movie management information is damaged.
 If you touch [OK], new management information is created by backing up a movie. The backed up movies cannot be recognized.

If you connect a computer on which application software is installed to the camcorder, you can copy the backed up movies to the computer.

However, the loading of all moves is not guaranteed.

Buffer overflow. Writing to the media was not completed in time.

- You have performed recording and erasing operations repeatedly, or a memory card that has been formatted by other device is used. Back up the data to another device (such as a computer HDD), and then [Empty] the memory card on the camcorder (p. 60).
- The size of the inserted memory card is not sufficient for copying the movie(s).
 Use the recommended memory card (p. 23).

Recovering data.

 Your camcorder tries to recover data automatically if the data writing was not performed properly.

Cannot recover data.

 Writing data onto the media of the camcorder has failed. Attempts were made to recover the data, but they were unsuccessful.

√A √B Reinsert the memory card.

 Reinsert the memory card a few times.
 If even then the indicator flashes, the memory card could be damaged. Try with another memory card.

√A √B Cannot recognize this memory card. Format and use again.

 Format the memory card using the camcorder (p. 60). Note that if you format the memory card, all the recorded movies and photos are deleted.

This memory card may not be able to record or play movies.

• Use a memory card recommended for your camcorder (p. 23).

This memory card may not be able to record or play images correctly.

- Use a memory card recommended for your camcorder (p. 23).
- · Contact your Sony dealer.

Do not eject the memory card during writing. Data may be damaged.

 Reinsert the memory card, and follow the instructions on the LCD screen.

Other

Maximum number of images already selected.

- You can select only 100 images at one time for:
 - Deleting movies/photos
 - Protecting movies/photos, or releasing the protection

Protected file. Cannot delete.

 An attempt was made to delete protected data. Release the protection of the data.

Recording time

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
NP-FV50A	80	40

6 Notes

- Recording format AVCHD 1080/60i FX
- Using an ECM-XM1 microphone connected to the INPUT1 jack.
- Using an XLR microphone with [LCD BRIGHT] set to [NORMAL]
- · 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.

Playing time

(Unit: minute)

Battery pack		
NP-FV50A	135	

Estimated recording time

AVCHD

■ When [AVCHD AUDIO FORMAT] is set to [LINEAR PCM]

(Unit: minute)

	PS	FX	<u>FH</u>	HQ	<u>LP</u>
16GB	70	80	110	180	285
	(70)	(80)	(110)	(140)	(250)
32GB	140	165	220	370	585
	(140)	(165)	(220)	(290)	(505)
64GB	290	335	450	750	1185
	(290)	(335)	(450)	(585)	(1020)

■ When [AVCHD AUDIO FORMAT] is set to [DOLBY DIGITAL]

(Unit: minute)

	PS	FX	<u>FH</u>	HQ	<u>LP</u>
16GB	75	85	120	215	375
	(75)	(85)	(120)	(160)	(305)
32GB	150	175	245	435	765
	(150)	(175)	(245)	(330)	(620)
64GB	305	360	495	880	1540
	(305)	(360)	(495)	(665)	(1255)

- · When using Sony memory cards.
- The number in () is the minimum recordable time.

Wote

 The recording time may vary depending on the recording conditions, subjects, and [REC SET] (p. 70).

🍟 Tips

- The maximum number of scenes that can be recorded is 3,999.
- The maximum continuous recording time is 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.

- Bit-rate (movie + audio, etc.), number of pixels, and aspect ratio of each recording mode of movies are as follows.
 - AVCHD

PS: max. 28 Mbps 1,920×1,080/16:9 FX: max. 24 Mbps 1,920×1,080/16:9 FH: approx. 17 Mbps (ave.) 1,920×1,080/16:9 HQ: approx. 9 Mbps (ave.) 1,280×720/16:9 LP: approx. 5 Mbps (ave.) 1,440×1,080/16:9

Using your camcorder abroad

Power supply

You can use your camcorder in any country/region using the AC Adaptor supplied with your camcorder within the AC 100 V to 240 V, 50/60 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/50i SEL] set to [60i]
Bahama Islands, Barbados, Bermuda,
Bolivia, Canada, Central America, Chile,
Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican
Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guam,
Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras,
Jamaica, Japan, Korea, Mexico,
Micronesia, Myanmar, Nicaragua, Panama,
Peru, the Philippines, Puerto Rico, Saint
Lucia, Samoa, Surinam, Taiwan, Trinidad
and Tobago, the U.S.A., Venezuela, etc.

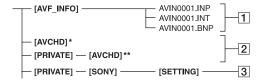
Countries/regions that require [60i/50i SEL] set to [50i]
Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, China, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, French Guiana, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Hungary, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Italy, Kuwait, Malaysia, Monaco, the Netherlands New Zealand, Norway, Paraguay, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Singapore, Slovak Republic, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom, Uruguay, Vietnam, 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. 80).

File/folder structure on the recording media

The file/folder structure is shown below. You do not usually need to acknowledge the file/folder structure, when recording/playing back movies on the camcorder.



- "Memory Stick PRO Duo"
- ** 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 AVCHD movie management

information folder

This folder contains recording data of AVCHD movie files.

- 3 Camera profiles
 - Stores camera profile data.
- Do not modify the files or folders on the camcorder from the computer. Doing so might damage image files, or prevent image files from being played back.
- Sony accepts no responsibility for the results of operation using data copied from a PC to a memory card.
- When you delete image files, follow the steps on page 59. 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, if you perform this operation.
- Use "Catalyst Browse" application software to import data from the recording media to a computer.
- Files may not be loaded correctly if using software other than "Catalyst Browse."
- For details about NLE (Non-Linear Editing) use, contact the software maker.

Maintenance and precautions

About the AVCHD format

Recording and playback on the camcorder

Based on the AVCHD format, your camcorder records with the HD (high definition) image quality.

Video*: MPEG-4AVC/H.264 When [60i] is selected: 1920×1080/60p, 1920×1080/60i, 1920×1080/30p, 1920×1080/24p, 1440×1080/60i, 1280×720/60p When [50i] is selected: 1920×1080/50p, 1920×1080/50i, 1920×1080/25p, 1440×1080/50i, 1280×720/50p

Audio: Dolby Digital 2-ch, LPCM 2-ch Recording media: memory card (sold separately)

- * Data recorded in AVCHD format other than the above mentioned cannot be played back on your camcorder.
- 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.

About memory cards

- A memory card formatted on a computer 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 electric fields, magnetic fields, or other sources of electromagnetic noise.
- 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.
- 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

About supported memory cards

- "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media and standard size SD cards can be used with this camcorder.
- For the latest information about memory cards that can be used, visit the home page (http:// www.sony.jp/support/r/handycam/connect/).

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 using the procedure on page 60. 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 "Memory Stick" media

Types of "Memory Stick" media	Recording/ Playback
"Memory Stick Duo" (with MagicGate)	-
"Memory Stick PRO Duo" (Mark2)	Yes
"Memory Stick PRO-HG Duo"	Yes

- This unit does not support 8-bit parallel data transfer, but supports 4-bit parallel data transfer equivalent to Memory Stick PRO Duo media.
- 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" V series battery pack of a large capacity, such as the NP-FV50A. "InfoLITHIUM" V series battery packs have the (1) InfOLITHIUM V 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. The "InfoLITHIUM" battery pack displays the remaining battery time in % according to the operating situations of your camcorder.

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.
- · Make sure to turn off the camcorder when you are not recording or playing back. 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	%
7771	81% to 100%
[///	51% to 80%
	21% to 50%
	1% to 20%
	=

- · The displayed level may not be correct under certain circumstances.
- · When the power goes off even though the remaining battery percent indicator indicates that the battery pack has enough power to operate, charge the battery pack fully again. Remaining battery percent 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 percent 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

- The battery has a limited lifespan. 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 AC Adaptor (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 AC Adaptor.
- The CHG lamp of the supplied AC Adaptor 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 CHG lamp is fast-flashing, remove the battery that is being charged, and then re-attach the same battery again firmly. If the CHG 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 AC Adaptor is working correctly. If the AC Adaptor is working correctly, the cause could be that the battery is damaged.
- If the CHG lamp is flashing, the AC Adaptor is in standby mode and charging is suspended. When the ambient temperature is out of the appropriate temperature range for charging, the AC Adaptor suspends charging automatically and enters standby mode. When the ambient temperature returns to an appropriate temperature, the AC Adaptor restarts charging and the CHG 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 7.4 V (battery pack) or 8.4 V DC (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 (b) (On/Standby) button set to the standby position 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
- wash off any liquid that may have contacted vour 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.

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 during the operation.

 Press the MENU button → select $(OTHERS) \rightarrow [CALIBRATION]$ with the $\triangle/\nabla/\triangle/SET$ button.

② Touch "x" displayed on the LCD screen with the corner of memory card or the like 3 times



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- 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

OLED panel display

The OLED panel may experience issues such as screen burn-in or loss of brightness with normal use over time.

This is not a malfunction.

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, and 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 () (On/ Standby) button is set to the standby position. The pre-installed rechargeable battery is always charged while your camcorder is connected to the wall outlet (wall socket) via the AC Adaptor 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, with the AC Adaptor not connected or battery pack not 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.

■ Charging procedure

Connect your camcorder to a wall outlet (wall socket) using the supplied AC Adaptor, and leave it with the power turned off for more than 24 hours

Note on disposal/transfer of memory cards

Even if you delete data in a memory card or format the memory card on your camcorder or a computer, you may not delete data from the memory card completely. When you give the memory card to somebody, it is recommended that you delete data completely using data deletion software on a computer. Also, when you dispose of the memory card, it is recommended that you destroy the actual body of the memory card. Operation is not guaranteed when using a card adaptor.

Specifications

General

Power requirements

8.4 V DC (using AC Adaptor) 7.4 V DC (using battery pack)

Power consumption

While recording using viewfinder: Approx. 4.9 W

While recording using the LCD screen in normal brightness:

Approx. 5.3 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. $121.0 \text{ mm} \times 104.0 \text{ mm} \times$ 223.5 mm $(4.7/8 \text{ in} \times 4.1/8 \text{ in} \times 9.1/8 \text{ in.})$

(Including projecting parts, lens hood, battery (NP-FV50A). Excluding grip belt.) (width / height / depth)

Dimensions when shooting

Approx. 130.0 mm \times 181.5 mm \times 236.5 mm $(5.1/8 \text{ in} \times 7.1/4 \text{ in} \times 9.3/8 \text{ in.})$ (Including projecting parts, lens hood, battery (NP-FV50A), XLR handle unit. Excluding grip belt.) (width / height / depth)

Mass

Approx. 935 g (2 lb 1.0 oz) (Including lens hood)

Total mass when shooting

Approx. 1260 g (2 lb 12.4 oz) (Including lens hood, NP-FV50A battery, XLR handle unit)

System

Signal format

When [60i] is selected: NTSC color, EIA standards HDTV 1080/60i, 1080/60p, 720/60p When [50i] is selected

PAL color, CCIR standards HDTV 1080/50i, 1080/50p, 720/50p

Video recording system

AVCHD: MPEG-4 AVC/H.264 AVCHD 2.0 format compatible

Audio recording format

AVCHD: Linear PCM 2-ch. 16-bit. 48 kHz/Dolby Digital 2-ch, 16-bit, 48 kHz

Recording media (movies)

Memory Stick PRO DuoTM and SD cards

Camera

Imaging device

1.0-inch type Exmor RSTM CMOS

Total picture elements: Approx. 21,000,000 pixels Effective picture elements (16:9 mode): Approx. 14,200,000 pixels

Color temperature

Preset (Indoor: 3200K, Outdoor: 5600K ±7 steps, Color temperature set range: 2300 to 15000K), One-push A, B, Auto selectable

Minimum illumination

When [60i] is selected:

1.7 lux (LOW LUX mode is on, 1/30 sec. shutter speed, 33 dB gain) When [50i] is selected: 1.7 lux (LOW LUX mode is on, 1/25 sec. shutter speed, 33 dB gain)

Lens

Lens mount

Fixed

Zoom ratio

12× (optical), servo

Focal length

9.3 mm to 111.6 mm (35 mm equivalent (16:9) 29.0 mm to 348.0 mm)

Specifications (Continued)

(35 mm equivalent (3:2) 32.8 mm to 393.6 mm)

Iris

F2.8 to F4.5 (auto/manual selectable)

Focus

AF/MF selectable, $10 \text{ mm to} \propto (\text{Wide}),$ $1000 \text{ mm to} \propto (\text{Tele})$

Image stabilizer

On/Off selectable, lens-shift type

Filter diameter

M62.mm

Input/output connectors

VIDEO OUT jack

Multi/Micro USB jack (1) Composite 1.0 Vp-p, 75 Ω

AUDIO OUT jack

Multi/Micro USB jack (1)

HDMI OUT jack

Type A (1)

USB jack

Multi/Micro USB jack (1)

(headphone) jack

Stereo mini jack (Ø3.5 mm) (1)

INPUT1/INPUT2 jacks

XLR-type 3-pin (female) (2) line/mic/mic+48V selectable

MIC jack (PLUG IN POWER)

Stereo mini jack (Ø3.5 mm) (1)

Multi Interface Shoe (1)

REMOTE jack

Stereo sub-mini jack (\emptyset 2.5 mm) (1)

Screen

LCD screen

8.8 cm (3.5 inch type) Approx. 1.56M dots

Viewfinder

1.0 cm (0.39 inch type) OLED

Approx. 2.36M dots

Rechargeable battery pack (NP-FV50A)

Rated voltage

7.3 V DC

AC Adaptor

Power requirements

100 V to 240 V AC, 50 Hz/60 Hz

Power consumption

18 W

Rated output

8.4 V DC*1

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. $48 \text{ mm} \times 29 \text{ mm} \times 81 \text{ mm}$ (1 15/16 in. \times 1 3/16 in. \times 3 1/4 in.)

(Excluding projecting parts)
(width / height / depth)

Mass (body only)

Approx. 170 g (6.0 oz)

*1 Check the label on the AC Adaptor/charger for other specifications.

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