SONY



HDR-XR500E/XR500VE/ XR520E/XR520VE

Digital HD Video Camera Recorder

Operating Guide











NAVTEQ MAPS



Read this first

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

WARNING

To reduce fire or shock hazard, do not expose the unit to rain or moisture.

Do not expose the batteries to excessive heat such as sunshine, fire or the like.

CAUTION

Battery pack

If the battery pack is mishandled, the battery pack can burst, cause a fire or even chemical burns. Observe the following cautions.

- · Do not disassemble.
- Do not crush and do not expose the battery pack to any shock or force such as hammering, dropping or stepping on it.
- Do not short circuit and do not allow metal objects to come into contact with the battery terminals.
- Do not expose to high temperature above 60°C (140°F) such as in direct sunlight or in a car parked in the sun.
- · Do not incinerate or dispose of in fire.
- Do not handle damaged or leaking lithium ion batteries
- Be sure to charge the battery with Sony battery charger or the device that can charge the battery pack.
- Keep the battery pack out of the reach of small children.
- · Keep the battery pack dry.
- Replace only with the same or equivalent type recommended by Sony.
- Dispose of used battery promptly according to the instructions.

Replace the battery with the specified type only. Otherwise, fire or injury may result.

AC Adaptor

Do not use the AC Adaptor placed in a narrow space, such as between a wall and furniture.

Use the nearby wall outlet (wall socket) when using the AC Adaptor. Disconnect the AC Adaptor from the wall outlet (wall socket) immediately if any malfunction occurs while using your camcorder.

Even if your camcorder is turned off, AC power source (mains) is still supplied to it while connected to the wall outlet (wall socket) via the AC Adaptor.

Excessive sound pressure from earphones and headphones cause hearing loss.

Notice for customers in the United Kingdom

A moulded plug complying with BS1363 is fitted to this equipment for your safety and convenience.

Should the fuse in the plug supplied need to be replaced, a fuse of the same rating as the supplied one and approved by ASTA or BSI to BS1362 (i.e., marked with replacement of mark) must be used. If the plug supplied with this equipment has a detachable fuse cover, be sure to attach the fuse cover after you change the fuse. Never use the plug without the fuse cover.

If you should lose the fuse cover, please contact your nearest Sony service station.

FOR CUSTOMERS IN EUROPE



Hereby, Sony Corporation, declares that this HDR-XR500VE/XR520VE Digital HD Video Camera Recorder is in compliance with the essential requirements and other relevant provisions of the Directive 1999/5/ EC. For details, please access the following URL: http://www.compliance.sony.de/

Notice for the customers in the countries applying EU Directives (HDR-XR500E/XR520E)

The manufacturer of this product is Sony Corporation, 1-7-1 Konan Minato-ku Tokyo, 108-0075 Japan. The Authorized Representative for EMC and product safety is Sony Deutschland GmbH, Hedelfinger Strasse 61, 70327 Stuttgart, Germany. For any service or guarantee matters please refer to the addresses given in separate service or guarantee documents.

ATTENTION

The electromagnetic fields at the specific frequencies may influence the picture and sound of this unit.

This product has been tested and found compliant with the limits set out in the EMC Regulation for using connection cables shorter than 3 meters (9.8 feet).

Notice

If static electricity or electromagnetism causes data transfer to discontinue midway (fail), restart the application or disconnect and connect the cable (USB, etc.) again.



Disposal of Old Electrical & Electronic Equipment (Applicable in the European Union and other European countries with separate collection systems)

This symbol on the product or on its packaging indicates that this product shall not be treated as household waste. Instead it shall be handed over to the applicable collection point for the recycling of electrical and electronic equipment. By ensuring this product is disposed of correctly, you will help prevent potential

negative consequences for the environment and human health, which could otherwise be caused by inappropriate waste handling of this product. The recycling of materials will help to conserve natural resources. For more detailed information about recycling of this product, please contact your local Civic Office, your household waste disposal service or the shop where you purchased the product. Applicable Accessories: Wireless Remote Commander



Disposal of waste batteries (applicable in the European Union and other European countries with separate collection systems)

This symbol on the battery or on the packaging indicates that the battery provided with this product shall not be treated as household waste.

By ensuring these batteries are disposed of correctly, you will help prevent potentially negative consequences for the environment and human health which could otherwise be caused by inappropriate waste handling of the battery. The recycling of the materials will help to conserve natural resources. In case of products that for safety, performance or data integrity reasons require a permanent connection with an incorporated battery, this battery should be replaced by qualified service staff only. To ensure that the battery will be treated properly, hand over the product at end-oflife to the applicable collection point for the recycling of electrical and electronic equipment.

For all other batteries, please view the section on how to remove the battery from the product safely. Hand the battery over to the applicable collection point for the recycling of waste batteries. For more detailed information about recycling of this product or battery, please contact your local Civic Office, your

household waste disposal service or the shop where you purchased the product.

For customers in the U.S.A.

If you have any questions about this product, you may call: Sony Customer Information Center 1-800-222-SONY (7669).

The number below is for the FCC related matters only.

Regulatory Information

Declaration of Conformity

Trade Name: SONY Model No.: HDR-XR520E

Responsible Party: Sony Electronics Inc. Address: 16530 Via Esprillo, San Diego,

CA 92127 U.S.A.

Telephone number: 858-942-2230 This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

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CAUTION

You are cautioned that any changes or modifications not expressly approved in this manual could void your authority to operate this equipment.

Note

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules.

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

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

The supplied interface cable must be used with the equipment in order to comply with the limits for a digital device pursuant to Subpart B of Part 15 of FCC Rules.

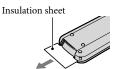
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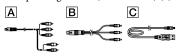
Supplied items

The numbers in () are the supplied quantity.

- □ AC Adaptor (1)
- □ Power cord (Mains lead) (1)
- □ Component A/V cable (1) 🗚
- ☐ A/V connecting cable (1) **B**
- □ USB cable (1) **C**
- ☐ Wireless Remote Commander (1)
 - A button-type lithium battery is already installed. Remove the insulation sheet before using the Wireless Remote Commander.



- ☐ Rechargeable battery pack NP-FH60 (1)
 ☐ CD-ROM "Handycam Application
 Software" (1)
 - "PMB" (software, including "PMB Guide")
 - "Handycam Handbook" (PDF)
- ☐ "Operating Guide" (This manual) (1)



• See page 40 for the "Memory Stick" media you can use with this camcorder.

Notes on use

Using the camcorder

- The camcorder is not dustproofed, dripproofed or waterproofed. See "Precautions" (p. 51).
- Do not do any of the following when the ☐
 (Movie)/ (Photo) mode lamps (p. 12) or the
 ACCESS lamps (p. 10), the access lamp (p. 41)
 are lit or flashing. Otherwise, the recording

- media may be damaged, recorded images may be lost or other malfunctions could occur.
- ejecting the "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media
- removing the battery pack or AC Adaptor from the camcorder
- Do not apply shock or vibration to the camcorder. The camcorder may not be able to record or play movies and photos.
- Do not use the camcorder in very loud areas.
 The camcorder may not be able to record or play movies and photos.
- 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.
- Do not close the LCD screen when the camcorder is connected to another device with the USB cable. Your recorded images may be lost.
- Even if the camcorder is turned off, the GPS function is working as long as the GPS switch is set to ON. Make sure that the GPS switch is set to OFF during take off and landing of an airplane (HDR-XR500VE/XR520VE).
- To protect the internal hard disk from shock by dropping, the camcorder has drop sensor function. When a drop occurs, or under a nongravity condition, the block noise made when this function is activated by the camcorder may also be recorded. If the drop sensor catches a drop repeatedly, recording/playback may be stopped.
- When the temperature of the camcorder becomes extremely high or extremely low, you may not be able to record or play back on the camcorder, due to the protection features of the camcorder being activated in such situations. In this case, a message appears on the LCD screen or in the viewfinder (p. 50).
- Do not turn on the camcorder in a low-pressure area, where the altitude is more than 5,000 meters (16,000 feet). Doing so may damage the hard disk drive of the camcorder.
- If you repeat recording/deleting images for a long time, fragmentation of data occurs on

- the recording media. Images cannot be saved or recorded. In such a case, save your images on some type of external media first, and then perform [MEDIA FORMAT] (p. 38).
- The viewfinder and the LCD screen are manufactured using extremely high-precision technology, so over 99.99% of the pixels are operational for effective use. However, there may be some tiny black points and/or bright points (white, red, blue, or green in color) that appear constantly on the LCD screen. These points are normal results of the manufacturing process and do not affect the recording in any way.

On recording

- Before starting to record, test the recording function to make sure the image and sound are recorded without any problems.
- Compensation for the contents of recordings cannot be provided, even if recording or playback is not possible due to a malfunction of the camcorder, recording media, etc.
- TV color systems differ depending on the country/region. To view your recordings on a TV, you need a PAL system-based TV.
- Television programs, films, video tapes, and other materials may be copyrighted.
 Unauthorized recording of such materials may be contrary to the copyright laws.
- To prevent your image data from being lost, save all your recorded images on external media periodically. It is recommended that you save the image data on a disc such as DVD-R using your computer. Also, you can save your image data using a VCR, or a DVD/HDD recorder.

On playing back recorded images on other devices

- The camcorder is compatible with MPEG-4 AVC/H.264 High Profile for high definition image quality (HD) recording. Therefore, you cannot play back images recorded with high definition image quality (HD) on the camcorder with the following devices;
 - Other AVCHD format compatible devices which are not compatible with High Profile

 Devices which are not compatible with the AVCHD format

Discs recorded with high definition image quality (HD)

 This camcorder captures high definition footage in the AVCHD format. DVD media containing AVCHD footage should not be used with DVD based players or recorders, as the DVD player/ recorder may fail to eject the media and may erase its contents without warning. DVD media containing AVCHD footage may be played on a compatible Blu-ray Disc™ player/recorder or other compatible device.

About language setting

 The on-screen displays in each local language are used for illustrating the operating procedures. Change the screen language before using the camcorder if necessary (p. 13).

About this manual

- The images of the LCD screen used in this manual for illustration purposes are captured using a digital still camera, and therefore may appear different from the actual images of the LCD screen.
- In this Operating Guide, the hard disk of the camcorder and "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media are called "recording media."
- In this Operating Guide, both "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media and "Memory Stick PRO-HG Duo" media are referred as "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media.
- You will find the "Handycam Handbook" (PDF) on the supplied CD-ROM (p. 48).
- The screenshots are from Windows Vista. The scenes may vary depending on the operating system of the computer.

Operation flow

Recording movies and photos (p. 14)

- In the default settings, movies are recorded with high definition image quality (HD) on the internal hard disk.
- In the default settings, photos are recorded on the internal hard disk.
- You can change the recording media selected, and the image quality of movies (p. 40, 44).



Playing movies and photos (p. 18)

Playing movies and photos on your camcorder (p. 18) Playing movies and photos on a connected TV (p. 21)



Saving movies and photos on a disc

Saving movies and photos with a computer (p. 23)

 You can create a disc with either high definition image quality (HD) or standard definition image quality (SD) from high definition image quality (HD) movies imported to the computer.
 See page 26 on the characteristics of each type of disc.



Creating a disc with a DVD writer or a recorder (p. 34)

Deleting movies and photos (p. 38)

 You can free recording space by deleting movies and photos that you have saved on other media, from the internal hard disk.

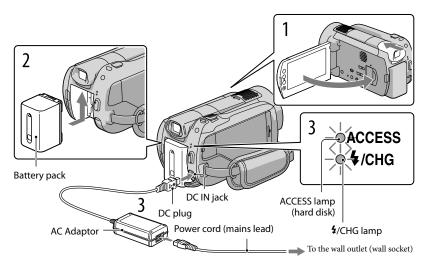


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Step 1: Charging the battery pack



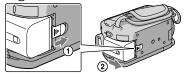
You can charge the "InfoLITHIUM" battery pack (H series) after attaching it to your camcorder.

- You cannot attach any "InfoLITHIUM" battery pack other than the H series to your camcorder.
 - Turn off your camcorder by retracting the viewfinder and closing the LCD screen.
- Attach the battery pack by sliding it in the direction of the arrow until it clicks.
- Connect the AC Adaptor and the power cord (mains lead) to your camcorder and the wall outlet (wall socket).
 - Align the ▲ mark on the DC plug with that on the DC IN jack.
 The 4/CHG lamp lights up and charging starts. The 4/CHG lamp turns off when the battery pack is fully charged.
- When the battery is charged, disconnect the AC Adaptor from the DC IN jack of your camcorder.

- See page 55 on charging, recording and playing time.
- When your camcorder is on, you can check the approximate amount of remaining battery power with the remaining battery indicator at the upper left on the LCD screen.

To remove the battery pack

Retract the viewfinder and close the LCD screen. Slide the BATT (battery) release lever ① and remove the battery pack ②.



To use a wall outlet (wall socket) as a power source

Make the same connections as "Step 1: Charging the battery pack."

Notes on the battery pack and the AC Adaptor

- When you remove the battery pack or disconnect the AC Adaptor, retract the viewfinder and close the LCD screen, then make sure that the ♣ (Movie) lamp/♠ (Photo) lamp (p. 12)/ACCESS lamps (p. 10)/access lamp(p. 41) are turned off.
- Do not short-circuit the DC plug of the AC Adaptor or battery terminal with any metallic objects. This may cause a malfunction.
- In the default setting, the power turns off automatically if you leave your camcorder without any operation for approximately 5 minutes, to save battery power ([A.SHUT OFF]).

Charging the battery pack abroad

You can charge the battery pack in any countries/regions using the AC Adaptor supplied with your camcorder within the AC 100 V - 240 V, 50 Hz/60 Hz range.

• Do not use an electronic voltage transformer.

Step 2: Turning the power on, and setting the date and time

Open the LCD screen of your camcorder.

Your camcorder is turned on.

• To turn on your camcorder when the LCD screen is open, press POWER.

POWER



- (Movie): To record movies
- (Photo): To record photos

Select the desired geographical area with ., then touch [NEXT].

Touch the button on the LCD screen.

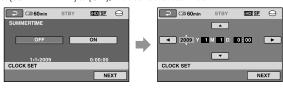




- To set the date and time again, touch ♠ (HOME) → ♣ (SETTINGS) → [CLOCK/ALANG] → [CLOCK SET]. When an item is not on the screen, touch ⚠️ until the item appears.
- Set [SUMMERTIME], date and time, then touch **SE**.

The clock starts.

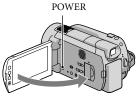
• If you set [SUMMERTIME] to [ON], the clock advances 1 hour.



- The date and time does not appear during recording, but they are automatically recorded on the recording media, and can be displayed during playback. To display the date and time, touch ♠ (HOME) → ♣ (SETTINGS) → [VIEW IMAGES SET] → [DATA CODE] → [DATE/TIME] → ○K → □ → ○K

To turn off the power

Close the LCD screen. The \blacksquare (Movie) lamp flashes several seconds, then the camcorder is turned off.



- You can turn off your camcorder also by pressing POWER.
- If the viewfinder is pulled out, retract the viewfinder as shown in the illustration below.



Changing the language setting

You can change the on-screen displays to show messages in a specified language.

Touch \spadesuit (HOME) → \rightleftharpoons (SETTINGS) → [CLOCK/ \trianglerighteq LANG] → [\trianglerighteq LANGUAGE SET] → the desired language → \trianglerighteq → \trianglerighteq .

On turning the camcorder on or off using the LCD screen or the viewfinder

The power of the camcorder is turned on or off depending on the status of the LCD screen or the viewfinder.

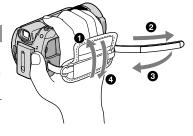
Status		Power of the
LCD screen	Viewfinder	camcorder
Open	Retracted	On
	Pulled out	On
Closed	Retracted	Off
	Pulled out	On

Recording

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Recording movies

In the default setting, movies are recorded with high definition image quality (HD) on the hard disk (p. 40, 44).



1 Fasten the grip belt.

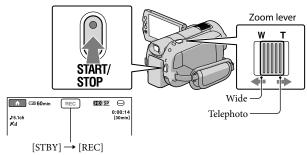
2 Open the LCD screen of your camcorder.

Your camcorder is turned on.

• To turn on your camcorder when the LCD screen is already open, press POWER.



3 Press START/STOP to start recording.



To stop recording, press START/STOP again.

- Move the power zoom lever slightly for a slower zoom. Move it further for a faster zoom.
- If you close the LCD screen during recording, the camcorder stops recording.
- · See page 55 on the recordable time of movies.
- The maximum continuous recordable time of movies is about 13 hours.
- · When a movie file exceeds 2 GB, the next movie file is created automatically.
- You can change the recording media and image quality (p. 40, 44).

- You can change the recording mode of movies (p. 44).
- [IIISTEADYSHOT] is set to [ACTIVE] in the default setting.
- To adjust the angle of the LCD panel, first open the LCD panel 90 degrees to the camcorder (①), and then adjust the angle (②). If you rotate the LCD panel 180 degrees to the lens side (②), you can record movies/photos in mirror mode.



When you make recording by only using the viewfinder, pull out the viewfinder and close the LCD panel
 (①), then adjust the angle to your preference (②). If the indicators on the viewfinder appear blurred,
 adjust the focus with the viewfinder lens adjustment lever located beneath the viewfinder.



- In the default setting, a photo is recorded automatically when the camcorder detects the smile of a person during movie recording ([SMILE SHUTTER]). An orange frame appears around a face targeted for possible smile detection shot. You can change the setting in the menu.
- You can increase the zooming level by using the digital zoom. Set the zooming level by touching ↑ (HOME) → ♣ (SETTINGS) → [MOVIE SETTINGS] → [DIGITAL ZOOM] → the desired setting → ○K → ② → ▼.

Shooting photos

In the default setting, photos are recorded on the hard disk (p. 40).

1 Open the LCD screen of your camcorder.

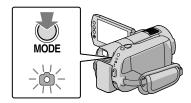
Your camcorder is turned on.

• To turn on your camcorder when the LCD screen is already open, press POWER.

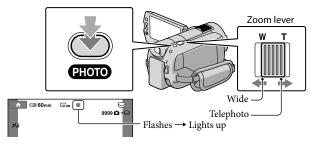


2 Press MODE to turn on the (Photo) lamp.

The aspect ratio of the screen becomes 4:3.



3 Press PHOTO lightly to adjust the focus, then press it fully.



When IIIIIII disappears, the photo is recorded.

- Move the power zoom lever slightly for a slower zoom. Move it further for a faster zoom.
- You can check the recordable number of photos on the LCD screen (p. 58).
- You can record photos during movie recording by pressing PHOTO. The image file size is 8.3M when
 recording high definition image quality (HD) movies.
- Your camcorder flashes automatically when there is insufficient ambient light. The flash does not work during movie recording. You can change how your camcorder flashes by touching ♠ (HOME) → \(\begin{array}{c} \begin{array
- You cannot record photos while is displayed.

Recording and playing movies and photos easily (Easy Handycam operation)

Simply press EASY.

To cancel Easy Handycam operation, press EASY again after you finish recording, or menu operations. During Easy Handycam operation, you can set basic options, such as changing the image size or deleting images, among the setting and adjustment items. Other items are set automatically.

 When Easy Handycam operation is started, nearly all menu settings are reset to the default settings automatically. (Some menu items retain the settings that were made before Easy Handycam operation.)



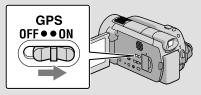
EASY appears during Easy Handycam operation mode.

Acquiring recording location information using the GPS (HDR-XR500VE/XR520VE)

When you set the GPS switch to ON, ∞ appears on the LCD screen, and your camcorder acquires the location information from the GPS satellites. Acquiring the location information enables you to use functions such as the Map Index.

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

• Make sure that the GPS switch is set to OFF during take off and landing of an airplane.



 Built-in map is powered by companies as follows; Map of Japan by ZENRIN CO., LTD., other areas by NAVTEQ.

Playback

Playback on the camcorder

In the default setting, movies and photos on the internal hard disk are played (p. 40).

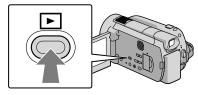
Playing movies

1 Open the LCD screen of your camcorder.

Your camcorder is turned on.

• To turn on your camcorder when the LCD screen is already open, press POWER.

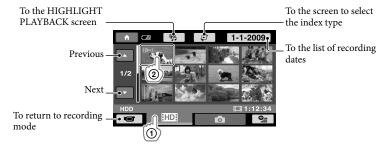
2 Press ► (VIEW IMAGES).



The VISUAL INDEX screen appears after some seconds.

 You can display the VISUAL INDEX screen by pressing (VIEW IMAGES) on the LCD screen as well.

$\boxed{3}$ Touch the $\boxed{10}$ (or $\boxed{10}$) tab $\boxed{1}$ → a desired movie $\boxed{2}$.



 I▶I/▶ appears on the movie/photo that was played or recorded most recently. Touch the image to continue playing from the scene. Your camcorder starts playing the selected movie.



- When playback from the selected movie reaches the last movie, the screen returns to the VISUAL INDEX screen.
- Touch ☐ during pause to play back movies slowly.
- As you repeat touching <a>Image: Description during playback, movies are played as fast as about 5 times → about 10 times → about 30 times → about 60 times.
- You can turn on or off the on-screen display by pressing DISP located on the panel behind the LCD panel.
- The recording date, time, and shooting conditions are recorded automatically during recording. This information are not displayed during recording, but you can display it during playback by touching ♠ (HOME) → ➡ (SETTINGS) → [VIEW IMAGES SET] → [DATA CODE] → a desired setting → ○K → ▷ ▼.
- Protected demonstration movie has been provided on your camcorder when you buy it.

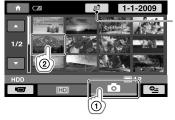
To adjust the sound volume of movies

While playing back movies, touch \longrightarrow adjust with \bigcirc \longrightarrow \longrightarrow .

• You can adjust the sound volume from the OPTION MENU (p. 42).

Viewing photos

Touch \triangle (Photo) \bigcirc a desired photo \bigcirc on the VISUAL INDEX screen.



Displays the Map Index screen (p. 43) (HDR-XR500VE/XR520VE) Your camcorder displays the selected photo.



- You can zoom in the photo by moving the zoom lever while viewing photos (PB ZOOM). If you touch a
 point in the PB ZOOM frame, the point comes to the center in the frame.
- When viewing photos recorded on a "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media, (playback folder) appears on the screen.

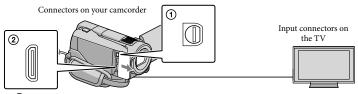
Playing images on a TV

Connection methods and the image quality (high definition (HD) or standard definition (SD)) played on the TV screen differ depending on what type of TV is connected, and the connectors used. You can connect your camcorder to the TV easily following the instructions of [TV CONNECT Guide].

Connecting a TV using [TV CONNECT Guide]

- 1 Switch the input on the TV to the connected jack.
 - Refer to the instruction manuals of the TV.
- 2 Turn on your camcorder, and touch $\fill \pitchfork$ (HOME) $\fill \rightarrow \fill \pitchfork$ (OTHERS) $\fill \rightarrow$ [TV CONNECT Guide] on the LCD screen.
 - When an item is not on the screen, touch \(\bigcirc \sqrt{\sq}}}}}}}}}}}} \signtarightinndet\sintitite{\sinthinter{\sqrt{\sq}}}}}}}}}} \end{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sq}}}}}}}}}} \end{\sqnt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sq}}}}}}}}}} \end{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sq}}}}}}}} \end{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{
 - Use the supplied AC Adaptor as the power source (p. 11).
- 3 Connect your camcorder and TV referring to [TV CONNECT Guide].





- ① A/V Remote Connector ② HDMI OUT (mini) jack
- When the A/V connecting cable is used to output movies, movies are output with standard definition image quality (SD).
- 4 Play back movies and photos on your camcorder (p. 18).

• Make the required output settings on your camcorder.

To connect a high definition TV via component video jacks:

To connect a non-high-definition TV via component video jacks:

To connect a 4:3 TV:

To activate "BRAVIA" Sync:

On "PhotoTV HD"

This camcorder is compatible with the "PhotoTV HD" standard. "PhotoTV HD" allows for highly-detailed, photo-like depiction of subtle textures and colors. By connecting Sony's PhotoTV HD-compatible devices using an HDMI cable (sold separately)* or the component A/V cable (supplied)**, a whole new world of photos can be enjoyed in breathtaking full HD quality.

- * The TV will automatically switch to the appropriate mode when displaying photos.
- **Setup of the TV will be necessary. Please refer to the instruction manual of your PhotoTV HD-compatible TV for details.

Saving movies and photos with a computer

Preparing a computer (Windows)

You can perform following operations using "PMB (Picture Motion Browser)."

- Importing images to a computer
- Viewing and editing imported images
- Creating a disc
- Uploading movies and photos to websites
 To save movies and photos using a computer, install "PMB" from the supplied
 CD-ROM beforehand.
- Do not format the hard disk of your camcorder from a computer. Your camcorder may not operate correctly.
- This camcorder captures high definition footage in the AVCHD format. Using the enclosed PC software, high definition footage can be copied onto DVD media. However, DVD media containing AVCHD footage should not be used with DVD based players or recorders, as the DVD player/recorder may fail to eject the media and may erase its contents without warning.

Step 1 Checking the computer system

OS*1

Microsoft Windows XP SP3*2/Windows Vista SP1*3

CPU

Intel Pentium 4 2.8 GHz or faster (Intel Pentium 4 3.6 GHz or faster, Intel Pentium D 2.8 GHz or faster, Intel Core Duo 1.66 GHz or faster, or Intel Core 2 Duo 1.66 GHz or faster is recommended.)

However, Intel Pentium III 1 GHz or faster is sufficient for the following operations:

- Importing the movies and photos to the computer
- -One Touch Disc Burn
- Creating an Blu-ray disc/AVCHD format disc/DVD-video (Intel Pentium 4, 2.8 GHz or faster, is required when creating a DVD video by converting high definition image quality (HD) to standard definition image quality (SD).)
- Copying a disc

Software

DirectX 9.0c or later (This product is based on DirectX technology. It is necessary to have DirectX

installed) Memory

For Windows XP: 512 MB or more (1 GB or more is recommended.)

However, 256 MB or more is sufficient for processing only the movies with standard definition image quality (SD).

For Windows Vista: 1 GB or more

Hard disk

Disk volume required for installation: Approximately 500 MB (10 GB or more may be necessary when creating AVCHD format discs. 50 GB maximum may be necessary when creating Blu-ray discs.)

Display

Minimum $1,024 \times 768$ dots

Others

USB port (this must be provided as standard, Hi-Speed USB (USB 2.0 compatible)), Bluray disc/DVD burner (CD-ROM drive is necessary for installation)

Either NTFS or exFAT file system is recommended as the hard disk file system.

- Operation with all computer environments is not assured.
- *1 Standard installation is required. Operation is not assured if the OS has been upgraded or in a multi-boot environment.
- *2 64-bit editions and Starter (Edition) are not supported.
- *3 Starter (Edition) is not supported.

When using a Macintosh

The supplied software "PMB" is not supported by Macintosh computers.

To process photos using a Macintosh computer connected to your camcorder, see the following website.

http://guide.d-imaging.sony.co.jp/mac/ms/us/

Step 2 Installing the supplied software "PMB"

Install "PMB" before connecting your camcorder to a computer.

- If a version of "PMB" supplied with another device has already been installed on the computer, check the version. (The version number is displayed by clicking [Help] [About PMB].) Compare the version number of the supplied CD-ROM with that of the previously installed "PMB," check to ensure that the versions have been installed in order, from the lower to the higher. If the version number of the previously installed "PMB" is higher than that of the "PMB" of your camcorder, uninstall "PMB" from the computer and then re-install it in order, from lower to higher. If you install a higher version of "PMB" first, some functions may not work correctly.
- · See page 48 on the "Handycam Handbook."
- 1 Confirm that your camcorder is not connected to the computer.
- 2 Turn on the computer.
 - Log on as an Administrator for installation.
 - Close all applications running on the computer before installing the software.
- 3 Place the supplied CD-ROM in the disc drive of your computer.

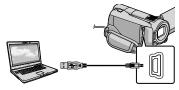
The installation screen appears.

If the screen does not appear, click
 [Start] → [Computer] (in Windows
 XP, [My Computer]), then double-click
 [SONYPICTUTIL (E:)] (CD-ROM).

4 Click [Install].



- 5 Select the language for the application to be installed, then click [Next].
- Turn on your camcorder, then connect the camcorder to the computer using the supplied USB cable.



The [USB SELECT] screen appears on the camcorder screen automatically.

- 7 Touch [⊖USB CONNECT] on the camcorder screen.



- 8 Click [Continue].
- 9 Confirm the license agreement, and if you accept the terms, change to → click [Next] → [Install] on the computer screen.
- 10 Follow the on-screen instructions to install the software.
 - Depending on the computer, you may need to install third party software. If the installation screen appears, follow the instructions to install the required software
 - Restart the computer if required to complete the installation.

When the installation is completed, following icons will appear.



- · Other icons may appear.
- No icon may appear depending on the installation procedure.
- The Handycam Handbook is not installed in this procedure (p. 48).

To disconnect your camcorder from the computer

Click the wicon at the bottom right of the desktop of the computer → [Safely remove USB Mass Storage Device].



- 2 Touch [END] → [YES] on the camcorder screen.
- 3 Disconnect the USB cable.
- You can create a Blu-ray disc by using a computer with a Blu-ray disc burner. Install the BD Add-on Software for "PMB" (p. 31).

Selecting the method for creating a disc (computer)

Several methods for creating a high definition image quality (HD) disc or a standard definition image quality (SD) disc from high definition image quality (HD) movies or photos recorded on your camcorder are described here. Select the method that suits your disc player.

Player Choosing a method and disc type		
Blu-ray disc playback devices (a Blu-ray disc player, PLAYSTATION [®] 3, etc.)	① Importing movies and photos to a computer (Easy PC Back-up) (p. 29) ② Creating a Blu-ray disc* with high definition image quality (HD) (p. 31)	Blu-ray
AVCHD format playback devices (a Sony Blu-ray disc player, PLAYSTATION [®] 3, etc.)	Creating a disc with one touch (One Touch Disc Burn) (p. 28)	HD
	① Importing movies and photos to a computer (Easy PC Back-up) (p. 29) ② Creating a AVCHD format disc with high definition image quality (HD) (p. 30)	HD
Ordinary DVD playback devices (a DVD player, a computer that can play DVDs, etc.)	① Importing movies and photos to a computer (Easy PC Back-up) (p. 29) ② Creating a standard definition image quality (SD) disc (p. 32)	SD

^{*} To create a Blu-ray disc, the BD Add-on Software for "PMB" must be installed (p. 31).

Characteristics of each type of disc



Blu-ray Using a Blu-ray disc enables you to record high definition image quality (HD) movies of a longer duration than DVD discs.



High definition image quality (HD) movie can be recorded on DVD media, such as DVD-R discs, and a high definition image quality (HD) disc is created.



Standard definition image quality (SD) movie converted from high definition image quality (HD) movie can be recorded on DVD media, such as DVD-R discs, and a standard image quality (SD) disc is created.

Discs you can use with "PMB"

You can use 12 cm discs of following type with "PMB." For Blu-ray disc, see page 31.

Disc type	Features
DVD-R/DVD+R/DVD+R DL	Unrewritable
DVD-RW/DVD+RW	Rewritable

- Always maintain your PLAYSTATION $^{\circledR}3$ to use the latest version of the PLAYSTATION $^{\circledR}3$ system software.
- \bullet The PLAYSTATION $^{\circledR}3$ may not be available in some countries/regions.

Creating a disc with one touch

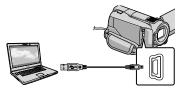
(One Touch Disc Burn)

You can save movies and photos on a disc by simply pressing the (DISC BURN) button on your camcorder. Movies and photos recorded on your camcorder that have not yet been saved with One Touch Disc Burn can be saved on a disc automatically. Movies and photos are saved on a disc with their recorded image quality.

- High definition image quality (HD) movies (the default setting) will make a high definition image quality (HD) disc. You cannot play a high definition image quality (HD) disc on DVD players.
- Creating a Blu-ray disc is not available with One Touch Disc Burn.
- To create a standard definition image quality (SD) disc from high definition image quality (HD) movies, import movies to a computer first (p. 29), and then create a standard definition image quality (SD) disc (p. 32).
- Install "PMB" beforehand (p. 24), however, do not start "PMB."
- Connect your camcorder to the wall outlet (wall socket) using the AC Adaptor supplied for this operation (p. 11).
- With the (DISC BURN) button, you can save movies and photos recorded on the internal hard disk only.

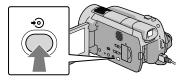
Turn on your computer, and place an empty disc on the DVD drive.

- See page 26 for the type of discs you can use.
- If any other software than "PMB" starts automatically, shut it down.
- Turn on your camcorder, and connect it to the computer using the USB cable.



 Do not close the LCD screen when the camcorder is connected to another device with the USB cable. Your recorded images may be lost.

了 Press the �(DISC BURN) button.



Follow the instructions on the computer screen.



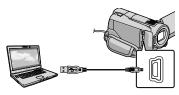
 Movies and photos are not saved on the computer when you perform One Touch Disc Burn

Importing movies and photos to a computer (Easy PC Back-up)

Movies and photos recorded on your camcorder that have not yet been saved with Easy PC Back-up can be imported to a computer automatically. Turn on the computer beforehand.

 Connect your camcorder to the wall outlet (wall socket) using the AC Adaptor supplied for this operation (p. 11).

Turn on your camcorder, and connect it to the computer using the USB cable.



The [USB SELECT] screen appears on the camcorder screen.

 Do not close the LCD screen when the camcorder is connected to another device with the USB cable. Your recorded images may be lost.

Touch [⊖USB CONNECT] to import images from the internal hard disk, or [⊡USB CONNECT] to import images from a "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media.



The [Handycam Utility] window appears on the computer screen.

On the computer screen, click [Easy PC Back-up] → [Import].



Movies and photos are imported to your computer.

When the operation is completed, the "PMB" screen appears.

- When the operation is completed, a screen to indicate that movies are being analyzed may appear. It may take a long time to analyze movies. In the meantime, you can operate "PMB."
- You can create either high definition image quality (HD) discs (Blu-ray disc/AVCHD format disc) (p. 30) or standard definition image quality (SD) discs (p. 32) from imported high definition image quality (HD) movies.
- See PMB Guide on importing selected movies and photos (p. 30).
- You can export high definition image quality
 (HD) movies from your computer to your
 camcorder. On the "PMB" screen, click
 [Manipulate] → [Export to] → [Handycam
 (Hard Disk Drive)]/[Handycam (Memory
 Stick)]. See PMB Guide for details (p. 30).

Changing the destination drive or folder for movies and photos

On the [Handycam Utility] screen in step 3 above, click [Easy PC Back-up] \rightarrow [Change]. On the screen displayed, you can select the drive or folder where the images are to be saved.

Starting PMB (Picture

Motion Browser)

Double-click the "PMB" short-cut icon on the computer screen.



 If the icon is not displayed on the computer screen, click [Start] → [All Programs] → [Sony Picture Utility] → [PMB] to start "PMB."

You can view, edit, or create discs of movies and photos using "PMB."

Reading "PMB Guide"

Refer to the PMB Guide for details of the "PMB." Double-click the PMB Guide short-cut icon on the computer screen to open the PMB Guide.



If the icon is not displayed on the computer screen, click [Start] → [All Programs] → [Sony Picture Utility] → [Help] → [PMB Guide]. You can also open the PMB Guide from [Help] of "PMB."

Creating a high definition image quality (HD) disc

You can create a high definition image quality (HD) disc by putting together high definition image quality (HD) movies previously imported to your computer (p. 29).

- In this section, the procedure for recording a high definition image quality (HD) movie on a DVD disc (p. 26) is explained.
- You can play a high definition image quality (HD) disc on AVCHD format playback devices, such as a Sony Blu-ray disc player and a PLAYSTATION[®]3. You cannot play the disc on ordinary DVD players (p. 26).

Turn on your computer, and place an empty disc on the DVD drive.

- See page 27 for the type of discs you can use.
- If any other software than "PMB" starts automatically, shut it down.
- Double-click the "PMB" short-cut icon on the computer screen to start "PMB."
 - You may start "PMB" also by clicking [Start] → [All Programs] → [Sony Picture Utility] → [PMB].
- Click [Folders] or [Calendar] on the left side in the window, and select the folder or date, then select the high definition image quality (HD) movies.
 - High definition image quality (HD) movies are marked with
 - · You cannot save photos on a disc.
 - To select plural movies, hold the Ctrl key down and click thumbnails.

At the top of the window, click [Manipulate] → [AVCHD (HD) Creation].



The window used to select movies appears.

 To add movies to the previously selected ones, select the movies in the main window and drag and drop onto the window for selecting movies.

Follow the instructions on the screen to create a disc.

It may take a long time to create a disc.

Playing a high definition image quality (HD) disc on a computer

You can play back high definition image quality (HD) discs using "Player for AVCHD" that is installed together with "PMB."

To start "Player for AVCHD," Click
[Start] → [All Programs] → [Sony
Picture Utility] → [Player for AVCHD].
See the "Player for AVCHD" help on the operation.

 Movies may not be played smoothly depending on the computer environment.

Creating a Blu-ray disc

You can create a Blu-ray disc with a high definition image quality (HD) movie previously imported to a computer (p. 29).

To create a Blu-ray disc, the BD Add-on Software for "PMB" must be installed. Click [BD Add-on Software] on the installation screen of "PMB," and install this plug-in according to the on-screen instructions.

• Connect your computer to the internet when you install [BD Add-on Software].



Place an empty Blu-ray disc in the disc drive, and click [Manipulate] → [Blu-ray Disc (HD) Creation] in step 4 of "Creating a high definition image quality (HD) disc" (p. 30). Other procedures are the same as that for creating a high definition image quality (HD) disc.

- Your computer must support the creation of Blu-ray discs.
- BD-R (unrewritable) and BD-RE (rewritable) media are available for creating Blu-ray discs. You cannot add contents to either type of disc after creating the disc.

Creating a standard definition image quality (SD) disc that can be played on ordinary DVD players

You can create a standard definition image quality (SD) disc by selecting movies and photos previously imported to your computer (p. 29).

 You may select high definition image quality (HD) movies as sources. However, image quality is converted from high definition (HD) to standard definition (SD). It will take a longer time for converting the image quality of the movies than it took to actually record the movies.

Turn on your computer, and place an empty disc on the DVD drive.

- See page 27 for the type of discs you can use.
- If any other software than "PMB" starts automatically, shut it down.

Double-click the "PMB" short-cut icon on the computer screen to start "PMB."

- You may start "PMB" also by clicking [Start] → [All Programs] → [Sony Picture Utility] → [PMB].
- Click [Folders] or [Calendar] on the left side in the window, and select the folder or date, then select the movies and photos.
 - High definition image quality (HD) movies are marked with ...
 - To select plural movies and photos, hold the Ctrl key down and click thumbnails.

At the top of the window, click [Manipulate] → [DVD-Video (SD) Creation].

The window used to select movies and photos appears.

 To add movies and photos to the previously selected ones, select the movies and photos in the main window and drag and drop onto the window for selecting movies and photos.



Follow the instructions on the screen to create a disc.

• It may take a long time to create a disc.

Copying a disc

You can copy a recorded disc to another disc using "Video Disc Copier."

You can also copy a disc by converting high definition image quality (HD) movies to standard definition image quality (SD) movies.

Click [Start] → [All Programs] → [Sony Picture Utility] → [Video Disc Copier] to start the software. See the "Video Disc Copier" help on the operation.

• You cannot copy to a Blu-ray disc.

Editing movies

You can cut out only necessary parts from a movie and save it as another file. Using "PMB," select the movie you want to edit, then click [Manipulate] → [Video Trimming] on the menu to display the Video Trimming window. See the PMB Guide on the operation (p. 30).

Capturing photos from a movie

You can save a frame of a movie as a photo file.

On the movie playback window of "PMB," click to display [Save Frame] windows. See the PMB Guide on the operation (p. 30).



Saving images with a DVD writer, recorder

Selecting the method for creating a disc (DVD writer/recorder)

Several methods for creating a high definition image quality (HD) disc or a standard definition image quality (SD) disc from high definition image quality (HD) movies or photos recorded on your camcorder are described here. Select the method that suits your disc player.

- Prepare a DVD disc such as a DVD-R, for creating a disc.
- · See page 31 to create a Blu-ray disc.

Player		Choosing a method and disc type	
AVCHD format playback devices (a Sony Blu-ray disc player, PLAYSTATION®3, etc.)	→	Creating a high definition image quality (HD) disc with a DVD writer, etc. (USB cable connection) (p. 35)	HD
Ordinary DVD playback devices (a DVD player, a computer that can play DVDs, etc.)	→	Creating a standard definition image quality (SD) disc with a disc recorder, etc. (A/V connecting cable connection) (p. 36)	SD

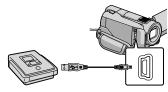
- Always maintain your PLAYSTATION®3 to use the latest version of the PLAYSTATION®3 system software
- The PLAYSTATION®3 may not be available in some countries/regions.

Creating a high definition image quality (HD) disc with a DVD writer, etc.

(USB cable connection)

You can save high definition image quality (HD) movies on a disc by connecting your camcorder to disc creation devices, such as a Sony DVD writer, with the USB cable. Refer also to the instruction manuals supplied with the devices to be connected. The method used to create a disc by connecting your camcorder to a Sony DVD writer with the USB cable is described here.

- Connect your camcorder to the wall outlet (wall socket) using the AC Adaptor supplied for this operation (p. 11).
 - Turn on your camcorder, and connect a DVD writer, etc. to the \$\foaty\$ (USB) jack of your camcorder with the USB cable (supplied).



The [USB SELECT] screen appears on the camcorder screen.

✓ Touch [⊖USB CONNECT] when movies are recorded on the internal hard disk, or [⊡USB CONNECT] when movies are recorded on a "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media on the camcorder screen.

- 3 Record movies on the connected device.
 - For details, refer to the instruction manuals supplied with the device to be connected.
- After the operation is completed, touch [END] → [YES] on the camcorder screen.
- Disconnect the USB cable.
- The high definition image quality (HD) disc that you created should not be used in DVD players/recorders. Because DVD players/ recorders are not compatible with the AVCHD format, DVD players/recorders may fail to eject the disc.
- Sony DVD writer may not be available in some countries/regions.

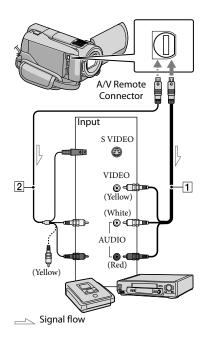
Creating a standard definition image quality (SD) disc with a recorder, etc.

(A/V connecting cable connection)

You can dub images played back on your camcorder on a disc or video cassette, by connecting your camcorder to a disc recorder or a Sony DVD writer, etc. with the A/V connecting cable. Connect the device in either way of 1 or 2. Refer also to the instruction manuals supplied with the devices to be connected. Select the recording media that contains movies you want to dub before starting the operation (p. 40).

- Connect your camcorder to the wall outlet (wall socket) using the AC Adaptor supplied for this operation (p. 11).
- High definition image quality (HD) movies will be dubbed with standard definition image quality (SD).
- A/V connecting cable (supplied)
 Your camcorder is equipped with A/V
 Remote Connector (p. 60). Connect the
 A/V connecting cable to your camcorder.
- 2 A/V connecting cable with S VIDEO (sold separately)

When connecting to another device via the S VIDEO jack, by using an A/V connecting cable with an S VIDEO cable (sold separately), higher quality images can be produced than with an A/V connecting cable. Connect the white and red plug (left/right audio) and the S VIDEO plug (S VIDEO channel) of the A/V connecting cable with an S VIDEO cable. If you connect the S VIDEO plug only, you will hear no sound. The yellow plug (video) connection is not necessary.



- Insert the recording media in the recording device.
 - If your recording device has an input selector, set it to the input mode.
- Connect your camcorder to the recording device (a disc recorder, etc.) with the A/V connecting cable 1 (supplied) or an A/V connecting cable with S VIDEO 2 (sold separately).
 - Connect your camcorder to the input jacks of the recording device.

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

- Refer to the instruction manuals supplied with your recording device for details.
- When dubbing is finished, stop the recording device, and then your camcorder.
- Since dubbing is performed via analog data transfer, the image quality may deteriorate.
- You cannot dub images to recorders connected with an HDMI cable.
- To record the date/time or camera settings data, touch ♠ (HOME) → ➡ (SETTINGS) → [VIEW IMAGES SET] → [DATA CODE] → a desired setting → ○K → ② → ▼.].

 In addidion touch ♠ (HOME) → ➡ (SETTINGS) → [OUTPUT SETTINGS] → [DISP OUTPUT] → [V-OUT/PANEL] → ○K → ② → ▼.]
- When the screen size of display devices

 (TV, etc.) is 4:3, touch ↑ (HOME) → ♣

 (SETTINGS) → [OUTPUT SETTINGS] →

 [TV TYPE] → [4:3] → ○K → □ → ▼.
- When you connect a monaural device, connect
 the yellow plug of the A/V connecting cable
 to the video input jack, and the white (left
 channel) or the red (right channel) plug to the
 audio input jack on the device.
- Sony DVD writer may not be available in some countries/regions.

Making good use of your camcorder

Deleting movies and photos

You can free media space by deleting movies and photos from recording media. Select the recording medium that contains the movies and photos you want to delete before starting the operation (p. 40).

- Touch \final (HOME) \rightarrow \fill (OTHERS) \rightarrow [DELETE].
- To delete movies, touch

 [□ DELETE] → [□ DELETE] or

 [□ DELETE].
 - To delete photos, touch [■DELETE] →
 [■DELETE].
- Jacob Touch and display the ✓ mark on the movies or photos to be deleted.



- $4 \text{ Touch } \bigcirc \mathbb{K} \rightarrow [YES] \rightarrow \bigcirc \mathbb{K} \rightarrow \boxed{\times}.$
- To delete all movies at one time
 In step 2, touch [♣ DELETE] → [♣ DELETE
 ALL]/[♣ DELETE ALL] → [YES] → [YES]
 → ○K → [X].
- To delete all photos at one time
 In step 2, touch [■DELETE] → [■DELETE
 ALL] → [YES] → [YES] → ○○○
 X.

Formatting the recording media

Formatting deletes all the movies and photos to recover recordable free space.

- Connect your camcorder to the wall outlet (wall socket) using the AC Adaptor supplied for this operation (p. 11).
- To avoid the loss of important images, you should save them (p. 26, 34) before formatting the recording media.
- Touch ♠ (HOME) → ► (MANAGE MEDIA) → [MEDIA FORMAT].
- 2 Touch the recording media to be formatted ([HDD] or [MEMORY STICK]).
- 3 Touch [YES] \rightarrow [YES] \rightarrow OK.
- While [Executing...] is displayed, do not operate the POWER switch or other buttons, disconnect the AC Adaptor, or eject the "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media from your camcorder. (The ACCESS/access lamp is lit or flashing while formatting the medium.)
- Protected movies and photos will also be deleted.

Coping with shooting conditions

Many settings and adjustment options are available on the menu (p. 42).

Recording in dark places (LOW LUX/NIGHTSHOT)

When you want to record images in dim light, set the STD/LOW LUX/ NIGHTSHOT switch to LOW LUX. ♣ appears, and images will be recorded brighter than if you do not use LOW LUX. When you set the STD/LOW LUX/ NIGHTSHOT switch to NIGHTSHOT, ☑ appears, and you can record images even in total darkness.

Set the STD/LOW LUX/NIGHTSHOT switch to STD when recording in normal ambient light.

 Using NIGHTSHOT in bright places will cause a malfunction of your camcorder.

HDR-XR500E/XR520E

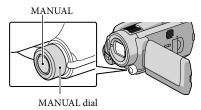


HDR-XR500VE/XR520VE



Adjusting focus, etc., manually (MANUAL dial)

It is convenient to make manual adjustments using the MANUAL dial, by assigning a menu item ([FOCUS] in the default setting) to the MANUAL dial.



How to use the MANUAL dial.

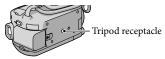
Press MANUAL to switch to manual operation mode, and rotate the dial to make the adjustment. Pressing MANUAL switches the operation mode between manual and automatic.

To assign a menu item

Press and hold MANUAL for a few seconds to display the [DIAL SETTING] screen. Rotate the MANUAL dial to assign an item. You can assign [FOCUS], [EXPOSURE], [AE SHIFT], or [WB SHIFT].

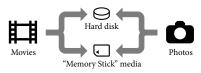
Using a tripod

Attach the tripod (sold separately) to the tripod receptacle using a tripod screw (sold separately, the length of the screw must be less than 5.5 mm (7/32 in.)).



Changing the recording medium

You can select the internal hard disk or "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media as the recording, playback, or editing medium on your camcorder. Select the medium to be used for movies and photos separately. In the default setting, both movies and photos are recorded on the hard disk.



- You can do recording, playback, and editing operations on the selected medium.
- See page 55 for the recordable time of movies.

Selecting the recording media for movies

1 Touch ♠ (HOME) → ♥ (MANAGE MEDIA) → [MOVIE MEDIA SET].

The [MOVIE MEDIA SET] screen appears.

- Touch the desired medium.
- 3 Touch [YES] → OK.

 The recording medium is changed.

Selecting the media for photos

1 Touch ♠ (HOME) → ♥ (MANAGE MEDIA) → [PHOTO MEDIA SET].

The [PHOTO MEDIA SET] screen appears.

- 2 Touch the desired recording medium.
- 3 Touch [YES] → OK.

 The recording medium is changed.

To check the recording media settings

Light up the [1] (Movie) lamp to check the recording medium used for movies, or the (1) (Photo) lamp for photos. The media icon is displayed at the top right corner of the screen.



- ⊖: Internal hard disk
- : "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media

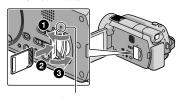
Inserting a "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media

 Set the recording medium to [MEMORY STICK] to record movies and/or photos on a "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media (p. 40).

Types of "Memory Stick" media you can use with your camcorder

- For recording movies, it is recommended that you use the "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media of 1 GB or larger marked with:
 - MEMORY STICK PRO DUO ("Memory Stick PRO Duo" media)*
 - MEMORY STICK PRO-HG DUO ("Memory Stick PRO-HG Duo" media)
 - * Marked with Mark2 or not, either can be used.

- "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media of up to 16 GB is confirmed to work with this camcorder.
- 1 Open the "Memory Stick Duo" media cover, and insert the "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media into the "Memory Stick Duo" media slot until it clicks.
 - If you force the "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media into the slot in the wrong direction, the "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media, the "Memory Stick Duo" media slot, or image data may be damaged.
 - Close the "Memory Stick Duo" media cover after inserting the "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media.



Access lamp ("Memory Stick PRO Duo" media) The [Create a new Image Database File.] screen appears when you insert a new "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media.

2 Touch [YES].

- To record only photos on a "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media, touch [NO].
- If [Failed to create a new Image Database File.
 It may be possible that there is not enough free space.] is displayed in step 2, format the "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media (p. 38).

To eject the "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media

Open the "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media cover and lightly push the "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media in once.

- Do not open the "Memory Stick Duo" media cover during recording.
- When inserting or ejecting the "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media, be careful so that the "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media does not pop out and drop.

Dubbing or copying movies and photos from the internal hard disk to a "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media

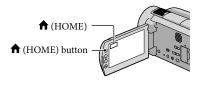
Touch \spadesuit (HOME) $\rightarrow \boxplus$ (OTHERS) \rightarrow [MOVIE DUB]/[PHOTO COPY], then follow the displays on the screen.

Customizing your camcorder with menus

 Menu items are described in more details with color photos in the "Handycam Handbook" (p. 48).

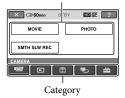
Using the 俞 HOME MENU

When you press the ft (HOME) button, the HOME MENU appears. You can change the settings of your camcorder.



 Touch the desired category → the menu item to be changed.

Menu item



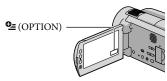
- 2 Follow the instruction on the screen.
- 3 After completing the setting, touch OK.
 - When the item is not on the screen, touch
 - To return to the previous screen, touch
 - To hide the HOME MENU screen, touch
 - You cannot select the grayed items or settings.

Using the HELP function

To see the descriptions on the HOME MENU, touch 2 (HELP) on the HOME MENU screen. (The bottom of 2 turns orange.) Then, touch the menu item you want to know about

Using the **⊆** OPTION <u>MENU</u>

The ♣ OPTION MENU appears just like the pop-up window that appears when you right-click the mouse on a computer. The menu items you can change in the context appears.



1 Touch the desired tab → the item to change the setting.

Menu item



- 2 After completing the setting, touch OK.
- When the item you want is not on the screen, touch another tab. (There may be no tab.)
- You cannot use the OPTION MENU during Easy Handycam operation.

List of the 🛖 HOME MENU

(CAMERA) categor	v
MOVIE	
PHOTO	
	Records fast moving subjects in slow-motion.
(VIEW IMAGES) cate	egory
VISUAL INDEX	p. 18
€ MAP*	Displays the Map Index for searching for movies and photos by recording location.
FILM ROLL	Displays and plays the scenes by a certain interval.
■ FACE	Displays and plays the face scenes.
PLAYLIST	Displays and plays the playlist of movies.
(OTHERS) category	
DELETE	
□ DELETE	p. 38
■DELETE	p. 38
©YOUR LOCATION*	Displays the current location on a map.
PHOTO CAPTURE	Captures photos from desired scenes of movies.
MOVIE DUB	
IIDI ⊖+□DUB/ ISSI ⊖+□DUB	p. 41
PHOTO COPY	
COPY by select	p. 41
COPY by date	p. 41
EDIT	
□ DELETE	p. 38
■ DELETE	p. 38
■PROTECT	Sets the protection to avoid deleting movies.
■PROTECT	Sets the protection to avoid deleting photos.
□DIVIDE	Divides movies.
PLAYLIST EDIT	
HD: ADD/ SD: ADD	Adds movies in a playlist.
HD: ADD by date/ SD: ADD by date	Adds movies recorded on a same day at one time in a playlist.
Em ERASE/	Erases movies from a playlist.
Em ERASE ALL/	Erases all movies from a playlist.
Em MOVE/	

	AE SHIFT	. Adjusts the exposure.
	WB SHIFT	. Adjusts the white balance.
	NIGHTSHOT LIGHT	.Emits infrared light when using NIGHTSHOT.
	STEADYSHOT	. Sets the SteadyShot function when recording photos.
	GUIDEFRAME	. Displays the frame to make sure the subject is horizontal or vertical position.
	FLASH MODE	. Sets how the flash is activated.
	FLASH LEVEL	. Sets the brightness of flash.
	REDEYE REDUC	. Prevents redeye when shooting with flash.
	DIAL SETTING	. Assigns a function to the MANUAL dial (p. 39).
	CONVERSION LENS	. Optimizes the SteadyShot function and the focus according to the attached lens.
	AUTO BACK LIGHT	. Adjusts the exposure for backlit subjects automatically.
FACI	FUNC. SET	
	FACE DET. SETTING	. Changes the [FACE DETECTION] and [FRAME SETTING] setting.
	SMILE SHUTTER	. Changes the [DETECTION SET], [SMILE SENSITIVITY], [SMILE PRIORITY] and [FRAME SETTING] setting.
VIEV	V IMAGES SET	
	HD:/ SDE SET	. Sets image quality for recording, playback, or editing movies.
	DATA CODE	. Displays the detailed recording data during playback.
SOU	ND/DISP SET	
	VOLUME	.p. 19
	BEEP	.p. 12
	LCD BRIGHT	. Adjusts the brightness of the LCD screen.
	LCD BL LEVEL	. Adjusts the backlight of the LCD screen.
	LCD COLOR	. Adjusts the color intensity of the LCD screen.
OUT	PUT SETTINGS	
	TV TYPE	.p. 22
	DISP OUTPUT	. Sets whether the on-screen displays appears on the TV screen or not.
	COMPONENT	.p. 22
	HDMI RESOLUTION	Sets the output image resolution when connecting your camcoder to a ${\rm TV}$ with an HDMI cable.
CLO	CK/@LANG	
	CLOCK SET	.p. 12
	AREA SET	.p. 12
	AUTO CLOCK ADJ*	. Sets whether the camcorder adjusts the clock automatically by acquiring the time from GPS or not.
	AUTO AREA ADJ*	. Sets whether the camcorder compensates for a time differences automatically by acquiring the current location information from GPS or not.
	SUMMERTIME	.p. 12
	ALANGUAGE SET	.p. 13

GENERAL SET

DEMO MODE	Sets whether the demonstration appears or not.
REC LAMP	Sets the recording lamp to light up or not.
CALIBRATION	Calibrates the touch panel.
A.SHUT OFF	Changes the [A.SHUT OFF] setting (p. 11).
REMOTE CTRL	Sets whether the Wireless Remote Commander is to be used or not.
DROP SENSOR	p. 5
CTRL FOR HDMI	p. 22

 • [SOUND/DISP SET] is changed to [SOUND SETTINGS] during Easy Handycam operation. * HDR-XR500VE/XR520VE

List of the 🖰 OPTION MENU

Following items are available on the OPTION MENU only.

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FADER.....Fades scenes in or out.

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 $\label{lem:blt-interpolation} \begin{tabular}{ll} BLT-IN ZOOM MIC........Records movies with directional sound as you zoom in or out. \\ MICREF LEVEL......Sets the microphone level. \\ \end{tabular}$

The tab depends on the situation / no tab

SLIDE SHOW......Plays a series of photos.
SLIDE SHOW SET.....Sets the repetition option for the slide show.

Getting detailed information from the "Handycam Handbook"

The "Handycam Handbook" is a users guide designed to be read on a computer screen. The functions of your camcorder are described, some of them with color photos. The "Handycam Handbook" is intended to be read when you want to know more about operating your camcorder.

To install the "Handycam Handbook" on a Windows computer, place the supplied CD-ROM in the disc drive of your computer.

On the installation screen displayed, click [Handycam Handbook].



Select the desired language and the model name of your camcorder, then click [Handycam Handbook (PDF)].

 The model name of your camcorder is printed on its bottom surface. Click [Exit] → [Exit], then remove the CD-ROM from your computer.

To view the "Handycam Handbook," double-click the short-cut icon on the computer screen.



- When using a Macintosh, open the [Handbook]
 [GB] folder in the CD-ROM, then copy
 [Handbook.pdf].
- You need Adobe Reader to read "Handycam Handbook."
 - http://www.adobe.com/
- Refer to the "PMB Guide" for details on the supplied software "PMB" (p. 30).

Additional information

Troubleshooting

If you run into any problems using your camcorder, use the following table to troubleshoot the problem. If the problem persists, disconnect the power source and contact your Sony dealer.

Notes before sending your camcorder for repair

- Your camcorder may be required to initialize or change the current hard disk of your camcorder, depending on the problem. In the event of this, the data stored on the hard disk will be deleted. Be sure to save the data on the internal hard disk on other media (backup) before sending your camcorder for repair (p. 26, 34). We will not compensate you for any loss of hard disk data.
- During repair, we may check a minimum amount of data stored on the hard disk in order to investigate the problem. However, your Sony dealer will neither copy nor retain your data.
- See the Handycam Handbook (p. 48) for details on the symptoms of your camcorder, and "PMB Guide" (p. 30) on connecting your camcorder to a computer.

The power does not turn on.

- Attach a charged battery pack to the camcorder (p. 10).
- Connect the plug of the AC Adaptor to the wall outlet (wall socket) (p. 11).

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

- It takes a few seconds for your camcorder to be ready to shoot after the power is turned on. This is not a malfunction.
- Disconnect the AC Adaptor from the wall outlet (wall socket) or remove the battery pack, then reconnect it after about 1 minute. If your camcorder still does not work, press the RESET button (p. 60) using a pointed object: (If you press the RESET button, all settings, including the clock setting, are reset.)
- The temperature of your camcorder is extremely high. Turn off the camcorder and

leave it for a while in a cool place.

 The temperature of your camcorder is extremely low. Leave the camcorder with the power turned on. If you still cannot operate your camcorder, turn off the camcorder and take it to a warm place. Leave the camcorder there for a while, then turn on the camcorder.

The camcorder gets warm.

 Your camcorder may become warm during operation. This is not a malfunction.

The power abruptly turns off.

- Use the AC Adaptor (p. 11).
- Turn on the power again.
- Charge the battery pack (p. 10).

Pressing START/STOP or PHOTO does not record images.

- Press MODE to turn on the [4] (Movie) or (Photo) lamp (p. 12).
- Your camcorder is recording the image you have just shot on the recording media. You cannot make new recording during this period.
- The recording media is full. Delete unnecessary images (p. 38).
- Total number of movie scenes or photos exceeds the recordable capacity of your camcorder. Delete unnecessary images (p. 38).

The recording stops.

 The temperature of your camcorder is extremely high/low. Turn off your camcorder and leave it for a while in a cool/warm place.

"PMB" cannot be installed.

 Check the computer environment or installation procedure required to install "PMB" (p. 23).

"PMB" does not work correctly.

• Quit "PMB" and restart your computer.

The camcorder is not recognized by the computer.

- Disconnect devices from the USB jack of the computer other than the keyboard, mouse, and your camcorder.
- Disconnect the USB cable from the computer and your camcorder, and restart the computer, then connect the computer and your camcorder again in the proper order.

Self-diagnosis display/Warning indicators

If indicators appear on the LCD screen or in the viewfinder, check the following. If the problem persists even after you have tried to fix 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 (H series). Use an "InfoLITHIUM" battery pack (H series) (p. 10).
- Connect the DC plug of the AC Adaptor to the DC IN jack of your camcorder securely (p. 10).

C:13:

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

E:20:□□ / E:31:□□ / E:61:□□ / E:62:□□ / E:91:□□ / E:94:□□ / E:95:□□ / E:96:□□

 Your camcorder need to be repaired. Contact your Sony dealer or local authorized Sony service facility. Inform them of the 5-digit code, which starts from "E."

101-0001

 When the indicator flashes slowly, the file is damaged or unreadable.

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- The hard disk of your camcorder is full. Delete unnecessary images on the hard disk (p. 38).
- An error may have occurred with the hard disk drive in your camcorder.

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• Battery power is low.

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 The temperature of your camcorder is getting high. Turn off your camcorder and leave it in a cool place.

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The temperature of your camcorder is low.
 Make the camcorder warm

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- No "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media is inserted (p. 40).
- When the indicator flashes, there is not enough free space for recording images. Delete unnecessary images (p. 38), or format the "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media (p. 38) after storing the images on other media.
- The Image Database File is damaged. Check the Image Database File by touching ↑ (HOME) → ♥ (MANAGE MEDIA) → [REPAIR IMG.DB F.] → recording media.

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 The "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media is damaged. Format the "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media with your camcorder (p. 38).

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 An incompatible "Memory Stick Duo" media is inserted (p. 40).

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 Access to the "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media was restricted on another device.

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· There is something wrong with the flash.



- The amount of light is not sufficient. Use the flash.
- The camcorder is unsteady. Hold the camcorder steady with both hands. However, note that the camera-shake warning indicator does not disappear.



 The drop sensor function is activated. You may not be able to record nor play back images.



- The recording media is full. Delete unnecessary images (p. 38).
- Photos cannot be recorded during processing.
 Wait for a while, then record.

Precautions

On use and care

- Do not use or store the camcorder and accessories in the following locations:
 - Anywhere extremely hot, cold or humid. Never leave them exposed to temperatures above 60 $^{\circ}$ C (140 $^{\circ}$ 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, it 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 LCD screen or the viewfinder.
- Operate your camcorder on DC 6.8 V/7.2 V (battery pack) or DC 8.4 V (AC Adaptor).
- For DC or AC operation, use the accessories recommended in these operating instructions.
- Do not let your camcorder get wet, for example, from rain or sea water. If your camcorder gets wet, it may malfunction. Sometimes this malfunction cannot be repaired.
- If any solid object or liquid gets inside the casing, unplug your camcorder and have it checked by a Sony dealer before operating it any further.
- Avoid rough handling, disassembling, modifying, physical shock, or impact such as hammering, dropping or stepping on the product. Be particularly careful of the lens.
- Keep the camcorder turning off when you are not using your camcorder.
- Do not wrap your camcorder with a towel, for example, and operate it. Doing so might cause heat to build up inside.
- When disconnecting the power cord (mains lead), pull it by the plug and not the cord (lead).

- Do not damage the power cord (mains lead) such as by placing anything heavy on it.
- Do not use a deformed or damaged battery pack.
- · Keep metal contacts clean.
- Keep the Wireless Remote Commander and button-type battery out of children's reach. If the battery is accidentally swallowed, consult a doctor immediately.
- If the battery electrolytic liquid has leaked:
 - Consult your local authorized Sony service facility.
 - Wash off any liquid that may have contacted your skin.
 - If any liquid gets in your eyes, wash with plenty of water and consult a doctor.

When not using your camcorder for a long time

- To keep your camcorder in optimum state for a long time, turn it on and let it run by recording and playing back images about once a month.
- Use up the battery pack completely before storing it.

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

 If fingerprints or dust make the LCD screen dirty, it is recommended that you use a soft cloth to clean it. When you use the LCD Cleaning Kit (sold separately), do not apply the cleaning liquid directly to the LCD screen. Use cleaning paper moistened with the liquid.

On handling the 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 avoid damage to the finish:
 - Using chemicals such as thinner, benzine, alcohol, chemical cloths, repellent, insecticide and sunscreen
 - Handling the camcorder with above substances on your hands
 - Leaving the casing in contact with rubber or vinyl objects for a long period of time

About care and storage of the lens

- Wipe the surface of the lens clean with a soft cloth in the following instances:
 - When there are fingerprints on the lens surface
 - In hot or humid locations
 - When the lens is exposed to salty air such as at the seaside
- Store in a well-ventilated location subject to little dirt or dust.
- To prevent mold, periodically clean the lens as described above.

On 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 camcorder is turned off. 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. Use your camcorder after charging the pre-installed rechargeable battery. However, even if the pre-installed rechargeable battery is not charged, the camcorder operation will not be affected as long as you are not recording the date.

Procedures

Connect your camcorder to a wall outlet (wall socket) using the supplied AC Adaptor, and leave it with the LCD screen closed for more than 24 hours.

Note on disposal/transfer of the camcorder

Even if you perform [MEDIA FORMAT] or formatting the hard disk of the camcorder, you may not delete data from the hard disk completely. When you transfer the camcorder, it is recommended that you perform [\bigcirc EMPTY] (See "Getting detailed information from the "Handycam Handbook"" (p. 48).) to prevent the recovery of your data. Also, when you dispose of the camcorder, it is recommended that you destroy the actual body of the camcorder.

Note on disposal/transfer of the "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media

Even if you delete data in the "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media or format the "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media on your camcorder or a computer, you may not delete data from the "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media completely. When you give the "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media to somebody, it is recommended that you delete data completely using data deletion software on a computer. Also, when you dispose of the "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media, it is recommended that you destroy the actual body of the "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media.

To change the battery of the Wireless Remote Commander

- ①While pressing on the tab, inset your fingernail into the slit to pull out the battery case.
- into the slit to pull out the battery case.

 ②Place a new battery with the + side facing up.
- ③Insert the battery case back into the Wireless Remote Commander until it clicks.



WARNING

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

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

Specifications

System

Video signal: PAL color, CCIR standards HDTV 1080/50i specification

Video recording format:

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

SD: MPEG2-PS

Audio: Dolby Digital 2ch/5.1ch Dolby Digital 5.1 Creator

Photo file format: DCF Ver.2.0 compatible Exif Ver.2.21 compatible MPF Baseline compatible

Recording medium:

Hard disk: HDR-XR500E/XR500VE: 120 GB HDR-XR520E/XR520VE: 240 GB

"Memory Stick PRO Duo" media

When measuring media capacity, 1 GB equals 1 billion bytes, a portion of which is used for data management.

Viewfinder: Electric viewfinder: color

Image device: 6.3 mm (1/2.88 type) CMOS sensor Recording pixels (photo, 4:3):

Max. 12.0 mega (4 000 \times 3 000) pixels*

Gross: Approx. 6 631 000 pixels

Effective (movie, 16:9):

Approx. 4 150 000 pixels

Effective (photo, 16:9):

Approx. 4 500 000 pixels

Effective (photo, 4:3):

Approx. 6 000 000 pixels

Lens: Sony G Lens

 $12 \times (Optical)$, $24 \times$, $150 \times (Digital)$ Filter diameter: 37 mm (1 1/2 in.)

F1.8 ~ 3.4

Focal length:

f=5.5 ~ 66.0 mm (7/32 ~ 25/8 in.)

When converted to a 35 mm still camera For movies: $43 \sim 516$ mm (1 $3/4 \sim 20$ 3/8 in.) (16:9)

For photos: 38 ~ 456 mm (1 1/2 ~ 18 in.) (4:3)

Color temperature: [AUTO], [ONE PUSH], [INDOOR] (3 200 K), [OUTDOOR] (5 800 K)

Minimum illumination: 11 lx (lux) (STD, Shutter speed 1/50 sec) 3 lx (lux) (LOW LUX, Shutter speed 1/25 sec) 0 lx (lux) (during NightShot function)

* The unique pixel array of Sony's ClearVid and the image processing system (BIONZ) allow still image resolution equivalent to the sizes described.

Input/Output connectors

A/V Remote Connector: Component/video and audio output jack

HDMI OUT jack: HDMI mini connector

USB jack: mini-B

Headphone jack: Stereo minijack (φ 3.5 mm) MIC input jack: Stereo minijack (φ 3.5 mm)

LCD screen

Image: 8.0 cm (3.2 type, aspect ratio 16:9) Total dot number: 921 600 (1 920 \times 480)

General

Power requirements: DC 6.8 V/7.2 V (battery pack) DC 8.4 V (AC Adaptor)

Average power consumption:

During camera recording using the viewfinder with normal brightness: Hard disk: HD:4.3 W SD: 3.5 W

"Memory Stick PRO Duo" media: HD:4.3 W SD: 3.4 W

During camera recording using the LCD with normal brightness:

Hard disk: HD:4.6 W SD: 3.6 W

"Memory Stick PRO Duo" media: HD:4.5 W SD: 3.6 W

Operating temperature: 0 $^{\circ}$ C to 40 $^{\circ}$ C (32 $^{\circ}$ F to 104 $^{\circ}$ F)

Storage temperature: -20 $^{\circ}$ C to +60 $^{\circ}$ C (-4 $^{\circ}$ F to +140 $^{\circ}$ F)

Dimensions (approx.): $71 \times 75 \times 134$ mm (2 $7/8 \times 3 \times 5$ 3/8 in.) (w/h/d) including the projecting parts

 $71 \times 75 \times 137$ mm (2 $7/8 \times 3 \times 5$ 1/2 in.) (w/h/d) including the projecting parts, and the supplied rechargeable battery pack attached

Mass (approx.):

HDR-XR500E: 490 g (1 lb 1 oz) main unit only

570 g (1 lb 4 oz) including the supplied rechargeable battery pack

HDR-XR500VE/XR520E: 500 g (1 lb 1 oz)

main unit only

580 g (1 lb 4 oz) including the supplied rechargeable battery pack

HDR-XR520VE: 510 g (1 lb 1 oz) main unit only

590 g (1 lb 4 oz) including the supplied rechargeable battery pack

AC Adaptor AC-L200C/AC-L200D

Power requirements: AC 100 V - 240 V, 50 Hz/60 Hz

Current consumption: 0.35 A - 0.18 A

Power consumption: 18 W

Output voltage: DC 8.4 V*

Operating temperature: 0 $^{\circ}$ C to 40 $^{\circ}$ C (32 $^{\circ}$ F to 104 $^{\circ}$ F)

Storage temperature: -20 °C to +60 °C (-4 °F to +140 °F)

Dimensions (approx.): $48 \times 29 \times 81$ mm (1 15/16 \times 1 3/16 \times 3 1/4 in.) (w/h/d) excluding the projecting parts

Mass (approx.): 170 g (6.0 oz) excluding the power cord (mains lead)

* See the label on the AC Adaptor for other specifications.

Rechargeable battery pack NP-FH60

Maximum output voltage: DC 8.4 $\rm V$

Output voltage: DC 7.2 V

Maximum charge voltage: DC 8.4 V Maximum charge current: 2.12 A

Capacity: 7.2 Wh (1 000 mAh)

Type: Li-ion

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Expected charging and running time for the supplied battery pack (minute)

Recording media	Hard disk		"Memory Stick PRO Duo" media	
	HD	SD	HD	SD
Charging time (full charge)	135			
Continuous recording time	90	115	90	115
Typical recording time	45	55	45	55
Playback time	150	150	150	150

 Recording and playback time is approximate time available using a fully charged battery pack.

- High definition image quality (HD)/Standard definition image quality (SD)
- Recording condition: Recording mode [SP], LCD backlight [ON]
- Typical recording time shows the time when you repeat recording start/stop, turning the power on/off and zooming.

Expected recording time of movies in the internal hard disk

- To set the recording mode, touch **\underline{\underli**
 - $\rightarrow \blacksquare$ (SETTINGS) \rightarrow [MOVIE SETTINGS]
 - → [REC MODE]. In the default setting, the recording mode is [HD SP] (p. 44).

High definition image quality (HD) in h (hour) m (minute)

Ddid-	Recording time		
Recording mode	HDR-XR500E	HDR-XR520E	
[HD FH]	14 h 30 m	29 h 20 m	
[HD HQ]	29 h 40 m	59 h 40 m	
[HD SP]	36 h 0 m	72 h 20 m	
[HD LP] (5.1 ch)*	48 h 10 m	96 h 30 m	
[HD LP] (2 ch)*	50 h 30 m	101 h 20 m	

Ddid-	Recording time		
Recording mode	HDR-XR500VE	HDR-XR520VE	
[HD FH]	14 h 30 m	29 h 10 m	
[HD HQ]	29 h 30 m	59 h 20 m	
[HD SP]	35 h 50 m	72 h 10 m	
[HD LP] (5.1 ch)*	47 h 50 m	96 h 10 m	
[HD LP] (2 ch)*	50 h 10 m	101 h 0 m	

Standard definition image quality (SD) in h (hour) m (minute)

Recording mode	Recording time		
	HDR-XR500E	HDR-XR520E	
[SD HQ]	29 h 40 m	59 h 40 m	
[SD SP]	43 h 50 m	88 h 10 m	
[SD LP] (5.1 ch)*	84 h 10 m	169 h 0 m	
[SD LP] (2 ch)*	91 h 50 m	184 h 20 m	

Recording mode	Recording time		
	HDR-XR500VE	HDR-XR520VE	
[SD HQ]	29 h 30 m	59 h 20 m	
[SD SP]	43 h 40 m	87 h 50 m	
[SD LP] (5.1 ch)*	83 h 40 m	168 h 20 m	
[SD LP] (2 ch)*	91 h 20 m	183 h 50 m	

Example of expected recording time of movies in a "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media

Recording	For 4 GB capacity in minute		
mode	High definition (HD)	Standard definition (SD)	
[FH]	25 (25)		
[HQ]	55 (35)	55 (50)	
[SP]	65 (45)	80 (50)	
[LP] (5.1 ch)*	90 (70)	160 (105)	
[LP] (2 ch)*	95 (70)	170 (110)	

- * You can change the recording sound format with [AUDIO MODE] (p. 44).
- The number in () is the minimum recordable time.
- A Sony "Memory Stick PRO Duo" media is used.
- The recording time will vary depending on the recording conditions and the type of "Memory Stick" media used.

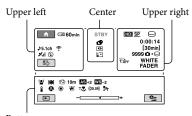
- On charging/recording/playback time
 - Measured when using the camcorder at 25 $^{\circ}$ C (77 $^{\circ}$ F) (10 $^{\circ}$ C to 30 $^{\circ}$ C (50 $^{\circ}$ F to 86 $^{\circ}$ F) is recommended)
 - The recording and playback time will be shorter in low temperatures, or depending on the conditions under which you use your camcorder.

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Screen indicators



Meaning

Bottom

Upper left Indicator

↑	HOME button
♪ 5.1ch ♪ 2ch	AUDIO MODE
೮	Self-timer recording
×iil	GPS tracking status
5	Current location
4 💿 4+ 4-3	Flash, REDEYE REDUC
*	BLT-IN ZOOM MIC
i ↑	MICREF LEVEL low
<u>4:3</u>	WIDE SELECT
€ ■ 60 min	Remaining battery
P	Return button

Center

Indicator	Meaning
[STBY]/[REC]	Recording status
C12.0M C9.0M C6.2M	Photo size
₹ ⊃	Slide show set
•	NightShot
	Warning
	Playback mode

Upper right

Indicator	Meaning	
SP/SDISP	Recording quality (HD/SD) and recording mode (FH/HQ/SP/LP)	
9.	Recording/playback media	
0:00:00	Counter (hour:minute: seond)	
[00min]	Expected recording remaining time	
WHITE BLACK FADER FADER	FADER	
}□ _{fF}	LCD backlight off	
Ë∂FF	Drop sensor off	
ë	Drop sensor activated	
9999♠→⊖	Approximate number of recordable photos and recording media	
ि	Playback folder	
100/112	Current playing movie or photo/Number of total recorded movies or photos	

Bottom

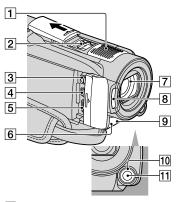
Indicator	Meaning		
[♣]	FACE DETECTION		
(⊕)	Smile detection set		
	LOW LUX		
€ 4 4	Manual focus		
) # \$	SCENE SELECTION		
* ☆ ⊾	White balance		
CHE N	SteadyShot off		
+	SPOT MTR/FCS/ EXPOSURE/SPOT METER		
AS	AE SHIFT		
ws	WB SHIFT		
т₩	TELE MACRO		
(¢olor)	X.V.COLOR		
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In disease	Manalan		
Indicator	Meaning		
о	Protected image		
Dw Dr	CONVERSION LENS		
⊕ _	OPTION button		
▶	VIEW IMAGES button		
	Slide show button		
101-0005	Data file name		
8	VISUAL INDEX button		

[•] Indicators and their positions are approximate and may differ from what you actually see.

Parts and controls

Figures in () are reference pages.

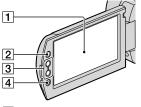


- 1 Built-in microphone
- 2 Active Interface Shoe

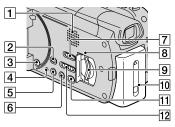


The Active Interface Shoe supplies power to optional accessories such as a video light, a flash, or a microphone. The accessory can be turned on or off as you operate the POWER switch on your camcorder.

- 3 A/V Remote Connector (21, 36)
- **4** ♥ (USB) jack (24, 28, 29, 35)
- 5 HDMI OUT (mini) jack (21)
- 6 Remote sensor/Infrared port
- 7 Lens (Sony G Lens)
- 8 Flash (16)
- Camera recording lamp (46)
 The camera recording lamp lights up in red during recording. The lamp flashes when the remaining recording media capacity or battery power is low.
- 10 MANUAL dial (39)
- 11 MANUAL button (39)



- 1 LCD screen/Touch panel (12)
- 2 **1** (HOME) button (42)
- **3** Zoom buttons (14, 16, 20)
- 4 START/STOP button (14)

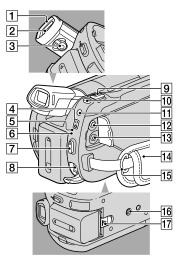


- 1 Speaker
- 2 (VIEW IMAGES) button (18)
- 3 POWER button (13)
- 4 RESET button
 Press RESET to initialize all the settings including the clock setting.
- 5 DISP (display) button (19)

 To turn off the backlight of the LCD screen, press and hold DISP down. To turn it on, press and hold DISP down again.
- 6 EASY button (17)
- GPS switch (HDR-XR500VE/XR520VE) (17)
- [8] Access lamp ("Memory Stick PRO Duo" media) (41)
 While the lamp is lit or flashing, the

camcorder is reading or writing data.

- 9 "Memory Stick Duo" media slot (40)
- 10 Battery pack (10)
- 11 (DISC BURN) button (28)
- 12 STD/LOW LUX/NIGHTSHOT switch (39)



- 1 Eyecup
- 2 Viewfinder
- 3 Viewfinder lens adjustment lever
- 4 H (Movie)/ (Photo) lamps (12)
- [5] ACCESS lamp (Hard disk) (10) While the lamp is lit or flashing, the camcorder is reading or writing data.
- 6 4/CHG lamp (10)
- 7 START/STOP button (14)
- 8 DC IN jack (10)
- **9** Power zoom lever (14, 16, 20)
- 10 PHOTO button (16)
- 11 MODE button (15)
- 12 (headphones) jack

13 MIC (PLUG IN POWER) jack

When an external microphone (optional) is connected, it takes precedence over the builtin microphone.

- 14 Grip belt (14)
- 15 Hook for a shoulder belt
- 16 Tripod receptacle (39)
- 17 BATT (battery) release lever (11)

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