



USER MANUAL

HMX-F90/HMX-F91
HMX-F900/HMX-F910
HMX-F920

Digital Camcorder

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For video recording, use a memory card that supports faster write speeds.

- Recommended Memory Card: 6MB/s (Class 6) or above.

Before reading this user manual

SAFETY WARNINGS

What the icons and signs in this user manual mean:

Safety Icon	Meaning
 WARNING	There is a potential risk of death or serious injury.
 CAUTION	There is a potential risk of personal injury or damage to the product.
	To reduce the risk of fire, explosion, electric shock, or personal injury when using your camcorder, follow these basic safety precautions.
	Here are hints or page number references you will find helpful when you operate the camcorder.
	Settings required before using a function.

These warning signs are here to prevent injury to you and others. Please follow them explicitly. After reading this section, keep it in a safe place for future reference.

PRECAUTIONS

Warning!

- When using the AC power adaptor with your camcorder, connect the adaptor to an outlet with protective grounding.
- Do not expose the camcorder battery to direct sunlight, heaters, radiators, fire, or any source of excessive heat.

Caution

If you replace the battery with the wrong battery, you can cause an explosion. Replace only with the same battery or an equivalent type.

To disconnect the apparatus from the mains, the plug must be pulled out from the mains socket, therefore the mains plug shall be readily operable.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON USE


About this user manual


Thank you for purchasing this Samsung Camcorder. Please read this user manual carefully before you use the camcorder and keep it handy for future reference. Should your camcorder fail to operate correctly, refer to Troubleshooting. ➤ pages 93~102

This User Manual covers models HMX-F90, HMX-F91, HMX-F900, HMX-F910, and HMX-F920.

- Illustrations of model HMX-F90 are used in this user manual.
- The displays in this user manual may not be exactly the same as those you see on the LCD screen.
- Designs and specifications of the camcorder and other accessories are subject to change without notice.
- Before using the camcorder, read the Safety information carefully and then use the product properly.
- Samsung is not responsible for any injury or damage caused by not following the instructions in the user manual.
- In this manual, a 'memory card' or 'card' means an SD, SDHC, or SDXC memory card.
- In this user manual's function description tables, the icon shown in the on-screen display column will appear on the screen when you set the corresponding function.

Example: **720X576/50p (16:9) - Video Resolution** Submenu item ➤ page 53

Item	Use	On-screen display
720X576/50p (16:9)	Records in 720x576 (50p) resolution with 16:9 aspect ratio.	

If you set the video resolution to **720X576/50p (16:9)**, the corresponding icon () will appear on the screen.

The following terms are used in this manual:

- 'Scene' refers to the point where you press the **[Recording start/stop]** button to start recording until you press it again to stop recording.
- The terms 'photo' and 'still image' are used interchangeably with the same meaning.

Before using this camcorder

- **This camcorder records video in H.264 (MPEG4/AVC) format.**
- **You can play back and edit the video recorded by the camcorder on a personal computer using the internal software of this camcorder.**
- **Please note that this camcorder is not compatible with other digital video formats.**
- **Before recording important video, make a trial recording.**
Play back your trial recording to make sure the video and audio have been recorded properly.
- Recorded contents may be lost due to a mistake when handling this camcorder or memory card, etc. Samsung will not provide compensation for damages due to the loss of recorded contents.
- **Make a backup of important recorded data.**
Protect your important recorded data by copying the files to a PC. We also recommend you copy it from your PC to other recording media for storage. Refer to the software installation and USB connection guide.
- **Copyrights: Please note that this camcorder is intended for individual use only.**
Data recorded on the storage media in this camcorder using other digital/analogous media or devices is protected by the Copyright Act and cannot be used without permission of the owner of the copyright, except for personal enjoyment. Even if you record an event such as a show, performance, or exhibition for personal enjoyment, we strongly recommend that you obtain permission beforehand.

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Proper recording etiquette

- Do not record videos or photos of people without their authorisation or consent.
- Do not record videos or photos in forbidden recording places.
- Do not record videos or photos in private places.

Safety information

The safety precautions illustrated below are to prevent personal injury or material damages. Heed all instructions carefully.



WARNING

Means that there is a potential risk of serious personal injury.



CAUTION

Means that there is a potential risk of personal injury or damage to the product.



Prohibited action.



Do not touch the product.



Do not disassemble the product.



Unplug from the power supply.



This precaution must be followed.

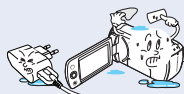
⚠ WARNING



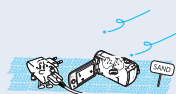
Do not overload outlets or extension cords as this may result in abnormal heat or fire.



Using the camcorder at temperatures over 60°C (140°F) may result in fire. Keeping the battery at a high temperature may cause an explosion.



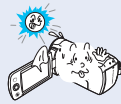
Do not allow water, metal, or inflammable material to enter the camcorder or power adaptor. Doing so may pose a fire hazard.



No sand or dust! Fine sand or dust entering the camcorder or power adaptor could cause malfunctions or defects.



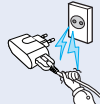
No oil! Oil entering the camcorder or power adaptor could cause electric shock, malfunctions or defects.



Do not aim the camcorder directly into the sun. Doing so could cause eye injuries, as well as lead to malfunctioning of internal parts of the product.

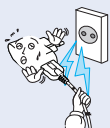


Do not bend the USB cable or damage the power adaptor by pressing on it with a heavy object. There is a risk of fire or an electric shock.

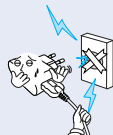


Do not disconnect the adaptor by pulling on its USB cable, as this could damage the cable.

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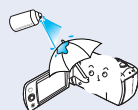
Do not use the power adaptor if it has damaged, split or broken cords or wires. Doing so may cause fire or electric shock.



Do not connect the power adaptor unless the plug can be fully inserted with no part of the blades exposed.



Do not dispose of the battery in a fire as it may explode.



Never use cleaning fluid or similar chemicals to clean the camcorder. Do not spray cleaners directly on the camcorder.



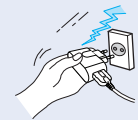
Keep the camcorder away from water when using it near the beach or pool or when it rains. There is a risk of a malfunction or an electric shock.



Keep the used lithium battery or memory card out of the reach of children. If the lithium battery or memory card is swallowed by a child, consult a physician immediately.



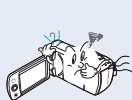
Do not plug or unplug the power adaptor with wet hands. There is a risk of electric shock.



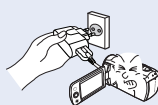
Keep the power adaptor unplugged when not in use or during lightning storms. There is a risk of fire.



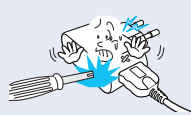
Unplug the power adaptor before you clean it. If you leave it plugged in, there is a risk of a malfunction or an electric shock.



If the camcorder emits an abnormal sound or smell, or smokes, unplug the power adaptor immediately and request service from a Samsung service centre. There is a risk of fire or personal injury.

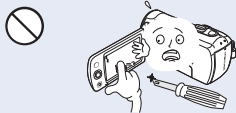


If the camcorder malfunctions, immediately detach the power adaptor or battery from the camcorder. There is a risk of fire or injury.

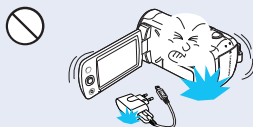


Do not attempt to disassemble, repair, or modify the camcorder or the power adaptor. There is a risk of fire or an electric shock.

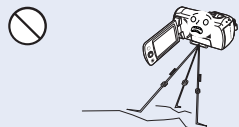
⚠ CAUTION



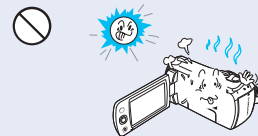
Do not press the surface of the LCD with force, or hit it with a sharp object. If you push the LCD surface, display unevenness may occur.



Do not drop or expose the camcorder, battery, power adaptor or other accessories to severe vibrations or impact. This may cause a malfunction or injury.



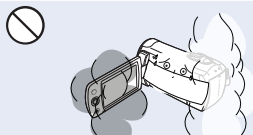
Do not use the camcorder on a tripod (not supplied) in a place where it is subject to severe vibrations or impact.



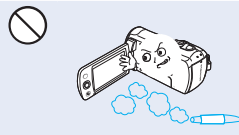
Do not use the camcorder near direct sunlight or heating equipment. This may cause a malfunction or injury.



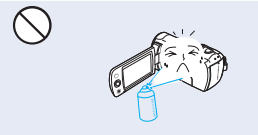
Do not leave the camcorder in a closed vehicle for a long time where the temperature is very high.



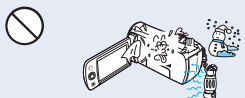
Do not expose the camcorder to soot or steam. Thick soot or steam could damage the camcorder case or cause a malfunction.



Do not use the camcorder near dense exhaust gas generated by gasoline or diesel engines, or corrosive gas such as hydrogen sulphide. Doing so may corrode the external or internal terminals, disabling normal operation.



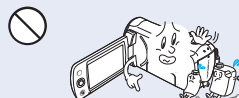
Do not expose the camcorder to insecticide. Insecticide entering the camcorder could cause the product to fail to operate normally. Turn the camcorder off and cover it with vinyl sheet, etc. before using insecticide.



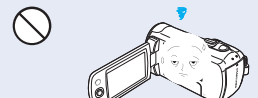
Do not expose the camcorder to sudden changes in temperature or high humidity. There is also a risk of defect or electric shock when using outdoors during lightning storms.



Do not place the camcorder down on the open LCD screen.



Do not wipe the camcorder body with benzene or thinner. The exterior coating could peel off or the case surface could deteriorate.

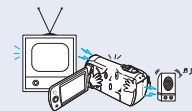


Do not leave the LCD screen open when not using the camcorder.

Safety information



Do not hold the camcorder by the LCD screen when lifting it. The LCD screen could detach and the camcorder may fall.



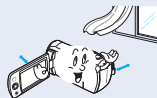
Do not use the camcorder near a TV or radio. Interference from the camcorder could cause noise on the TV or in the radio broadcast.



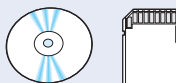
Do not use the camcorder near sources of strong radio waves or magnetic fields such as speakers and large motors. Noise from these sources could distort the video or audio you are recording.



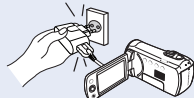
Use Samsung-approved accessories only. Using products from other manufacturers may cause overheating, fire, explosion, electric shock or personal injuries caused by abnormal operation.



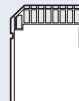
Place the camcorder on a stable surface that is well ventilated.



Keep important data separately. Samsung is not responsible for data loss.



Only plug the power adaptor plug into a socket that is easily accessible. If any problem occurs with the product, you must pull the plug out of the socket to disconnect the power completely. Turning off the power button on the product does not turn off the camcorder completely.



Other manufacturers of optional accessories compatible with this camcorder are responsible for their own products. Use the optional accessories according to the safety instructions. Samsung is not responsible for any malfunction, risk of fire, electric shock, or damages caused by using unauthorised accessories.

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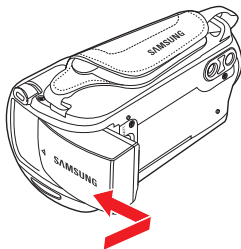
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Quick start guide

This quick start guide introduces the basic operation and features of your camcorder. See the reference pages for more information.

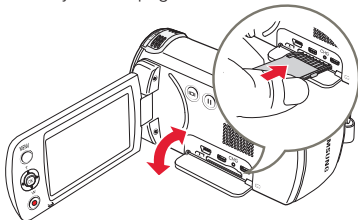
STEP 1: Get ready

- 1 Insert the battery into the battery slot. ➔page 19



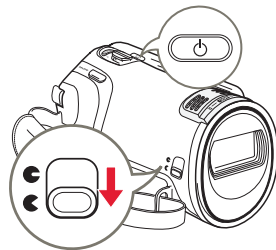
- 2 Charge the battery fully. ➔page 20

- 3 Insert a memory card. ➔page 30

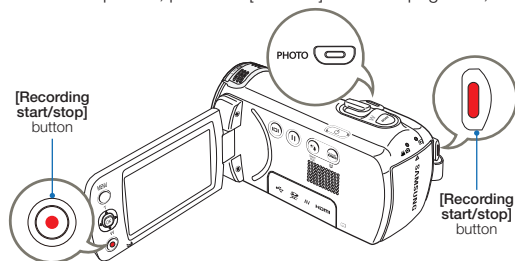


STEP 2: Record videos and photos

- 1 Open the LCD screen and press the **[Power (⏻)]** button to turn on the camcorder.
 - Set the **[Lens cover open/close]** switch to open (☾). ➔page 15



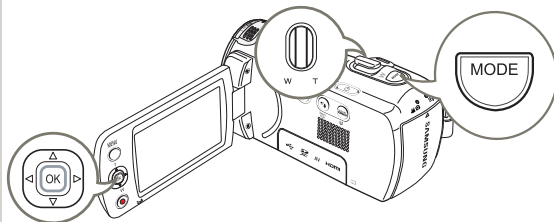
- 2 To record videos, press the **[Recording start/stop]** button or, to record photos, press the **[PHOTO]** button. ➔pages 35, 38



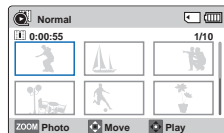
STEP 3: Play back videos or photos

Viewing videos or photos on the LCD screen

You can find recordings quickly by using the thumbnail view.

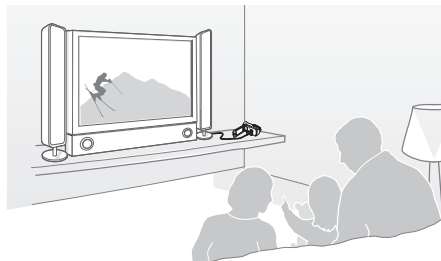


- 1 Press the **[MODE]** button to select the playback (▶) mode.
- 2 Select the video or photo thumbnail view by using the **[Zoom]** lever.
- 3 Use the **[Control (Up/Down/Left/Right)]** button to select a desired video or photo, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.



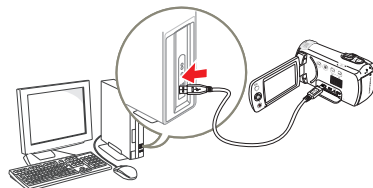
Viewing on a TV

You can enjoy detailed, brilliant quality videos on a connected TV.
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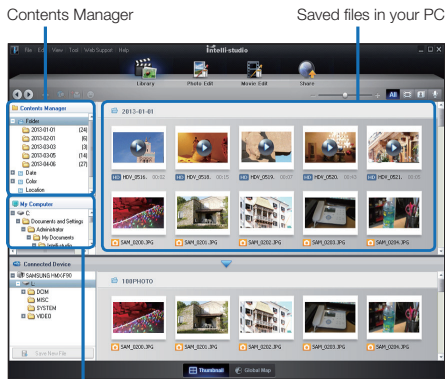
STEP 4: Save recorded videos / photos

Using the Intelli-studio programme built in to your camcorder, you can import videos and photos into your computer and edit or share the videos and photos with your friends and family. For details, see pages 86~89.



Importing and viewing videos/photos to your PC from the camcorder

- 1 Start the Intelli-studio programme by connecting the camcorder to your PC with a USB cable.
 - A new file saving screen appears with the Intelli-studio main window. Click **Yes**, and the uploading procedure starts.
- 2 Any new files are saved to your PC and registered to **Contents Manager** in the Intelli-studio programme.
 - You can arrange the files by different criteria such as Face, Date, Location, etc.



Folders directory on your PC

- 3 Double-click the file you would like to play back.

Sharing videos/photos on Web sites

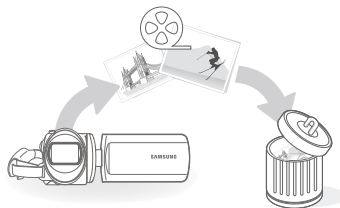
Share your contents with the world by uploading photos and videos directly to a web site with a single click.
Click the **Share** (📷) → **Upload** tab on the Intelli-studio browser.
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Intelli-studio runs automatically when you connect the camcorder to a Windows computer (if you have set **PC Software: On**). → page 79

STEP 5: Delete videos or photos

If the camcorder's storage media is full, you cannot record new videos or photos. Delete videos or photos you have saved to your computer from the camcorder's storage media. Then you can record new videos or photos on newly freed up space.

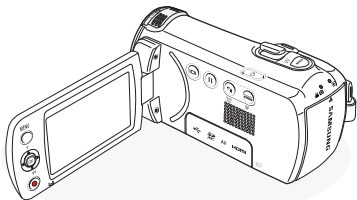
[MODE] button → Playback (▶) mode → [MENU] button → Delete → page 70



Getting to know the camcorder

UNPACKING

Your new camcorder comes with the accessories shown on this page. If any of these items is missing from your box, call Samsung's Customer Care Centre.



Model name	Internal memory	Lens
HMX-F90	-	52x (Optical), 70x (Intelli), 130x (Digital)
HMX-F91		
HMX-F900		
HMX-F910		
HMX-F920		



- Although the models have some features that are different, they operate in the same way.
- The exact appearance of each item may vary by model.
- The contents may vary depending on the sales region.
- You can purchase parts and accessories after consulting with your local Samsung dealer. SAMSUNG is not responsible for reduced battery life time or malfunctions caused by any unauthorised use of accessories such as the power adaptor or the batteries.
- A memory card is not included. See page 31 for memory cards compatible with your camcorder.

Check your accessories



Battery



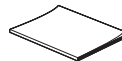
Power adaptor



USB cable



Audio/Video cable



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Optional accessories



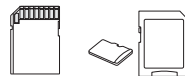
Micro HDMI cable



Carrying case



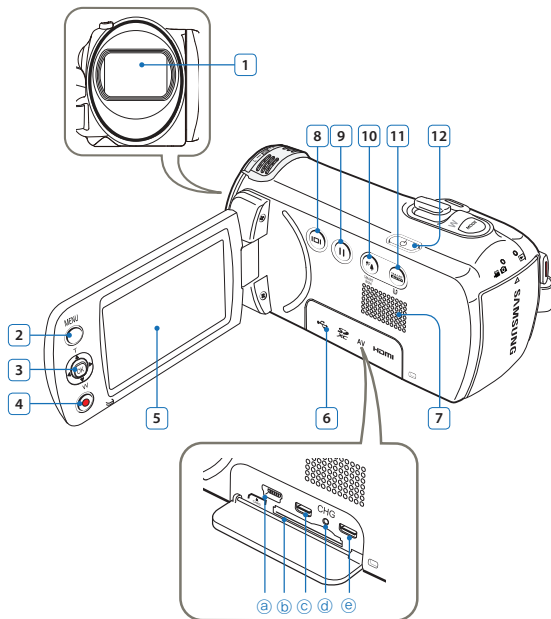
External battery charger



Memory card/
Memory card adaptor

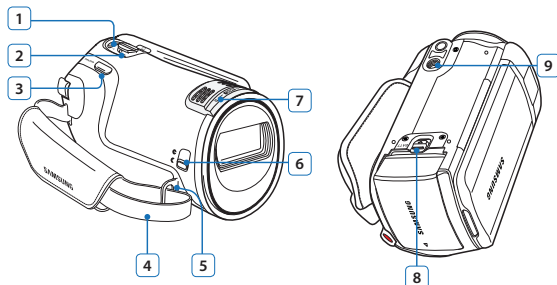
LOCATION OF CONTROLS

Front & Left



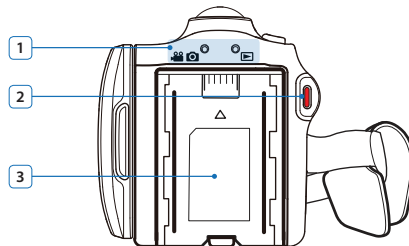
- 1 Lens
- 2 MENU button
- 3 Control (Up/Down/Left/Right/OK) button / Zoom (T/W) button
- 4 Recording start/stop button
- 5 LCD screen
- 6 Memory card/Jack cover
 - a USB jack
 - b Memory card slot
 - c AV jack
 - d CHG (charging) indicator
 - e HDMI jack
- 7 Internal speaker
- 8 Display button
- 9 Recording pause/resume button
- 10 Back light button / SMART BGM button
- 11 SMART AUTO button / Share button
- 12 Power button

Right/Top & Bottom



- 1 MODE button
- 2 Zoom lever (T/W)
- 3 PHOTO / My Clip button
- 4 Strap
- 5 Strap hook
- 6 Lens cover open (☺)/close (☹) switch
- 7 Internal microphone
- 8 Battery release switch (BATT.)
- 9 Tripod receptacle

Rear



- 1 Mode indicator
 : Recording mode (Video/Photo)
 : Playback mode
- 2 Recording start/stop button
- 3 Battery slot



Be careful not to cover the internal microphone and lens during recording.

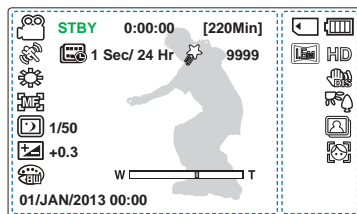
IDENTIFYING THE SCREEN DISPLAYS

The available functions vary depending on the selected operation mode. Different indicators appear depending on the setting values.



- The On Screen Display (OSD) below appears when the camcorder is in the recording () mode only.
- Press the [MODE] button to select the recording () mode. ➡ page 26

Video and Photo recording mode



- This camcorder provides one combined video and photo recording mode. You can easily record videos or photos in the same mode without having to change it.
- The on-screen indicators are based on a 16GB SDHC memory card.
- The settings of functions marked with a ★ are lost when the camcorder turns off.
- For enhanced performance, the display indications and their order are subject to change without prior notice.
- The total number of recordable photos is based on the available space on the storage media.
- The maximum number the photo counter can display is 9,999.

Left of the LCD screen

Indicator	Meaning
/	Recording mode (Video/Photo)
STBY / / /	Operating status (standby/recording/pause/photo capturing)
0:00:00 [220Min]	Time counter (video recording time, remaining recordable time)
/ SMART AUTO	iSCENE★ / Smart Auto
	Time Lapse REC★
	My Clip
9999	Photo image counter (total number of recordable photos)
	White Balance★
	Manual focus★
	C.Nite
+0.3	EV (Exposure Value)★
W T w t	Zoom (optical zoom / intelli zoom / digital zoom)
	Digital Special Effect
01/JAN/2013 00:00	Date/Time Display

Right of the LCD screen

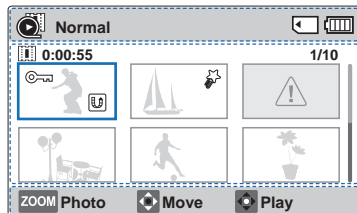
Indicator	Meaning
	Storage media (memory card)
	Battery info. (remaining battery level)
, HD	Photo Resolution, Video Resolution
	Anti-Shake (HDIS)
	Back light
	Continuous shot
	Face Detection

Getting to know the camcorder



- The On Screen Display (OSD) below appears in the video playback (⏮) mode only.
- Press the [MODE] button to select the playback (▶) mode. ➡ page 26

Video playback mode: Thumbnail view



Top of the LCD screen

Indicator	Meaning
	Video playback mode
	Storage media (memory card)
	Battery info (remaining battery level)

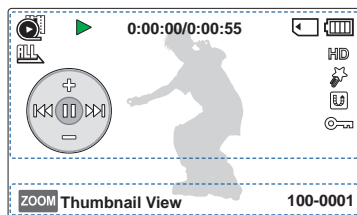
Centre of the LCD screen

Indicator	Meaning
	Recorded time
1/10	Current video / total number of recorded videos
	Protect
	Share Mark
	My Clip
	Error file
	Scroll bar

Bottom of the LCD screen

Indicator	Meaning
ZOOM	Button guide

Video playback mode: Single view



Top of the LCD screen

Indicator	Meaning
	Video playback mode
	Playback status (playback/pause/search)
0:00:00/0:00:55	Time code (elapsed time / recorded time)
	Storage media (memory card)
	Battery info (remaining battery level)
	PlayOption
HD	Video Resolution

Indicator	Meaning
	My Clip
	Share Mark
	Protect
	Shortcut menu

Bottom of the LCD screen

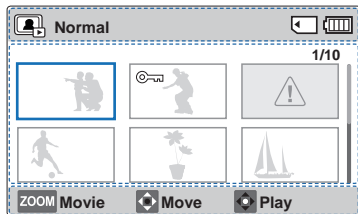
Indicator	Meaning
ZOOM	Button guide
100-0001	File name (file number)

Getting to know the camcorder



- This On Screen Display (OSD) below appears in the photo playback (📷) mode only.
- Press the [MODE] button to select the playback (📺) mode. ➡ page 26

Photo playback mode: Thumbnail view



Top of the LCD screen

Indicator	Meaning
	Photo playback mode
	Storage media (memory card)
	Battery info (remaining battery level)

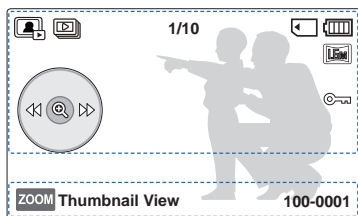
Centre of the LCD screen

Indicator	Meaning
1/10	Current photo / total number of recorded photos
	Protect
	Error file
	Scroll bar

Bottom of the LCD screen

Indicator	Meaning
	Button guide

Photo playback mode: Single view



Top of the LCD screen

Indicator	Meaning
	Photo playback mode
	Slide Show
1/10	Current photo / total number of recorded photos
	Storage media (memory card)
	Battery info (remaining battery level)
	Photo Resolution

Indicator	Meaning
	Protect
	Shortcut menu

Bottom of the LCD screen

Indicator	Meaning
	Button guide
100-0001	File name (file number)

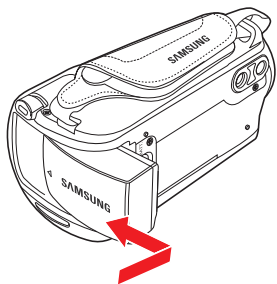
Getting started

INSERTING/EJECTING THE BATTERY

To insert the battery

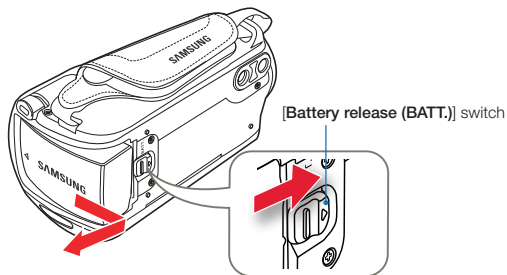
Insert the battery into the battery slot until it softly clicks.

- Make sure that the SAMSUNG logo on the battery is facing you when the camcorder is placed as shown in the figure.



To eject the battery


- 1 Gently push the **[Battery release (BATT.)]** switch in the direction shown in the figure to eject the battery.
- 2 Push down, and then lift the battery out in the direction shown in the figure.



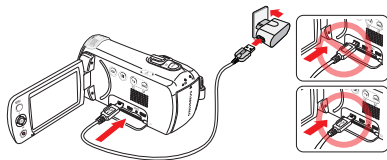
- Use only Samsung-approved batteries. Do not use batteries from other manufacturers. Otherwise, there is a danger of overheating, fire, or explosion.
- Samsung is not responsible for the problems caused by unapproved batteries.
- Remove the battery from the camcorder when the camcorder is not in use.
- We recommend you purchase one or more additional batteries to allow continuous use of your camcorder.

CHARGING THE BATTERY

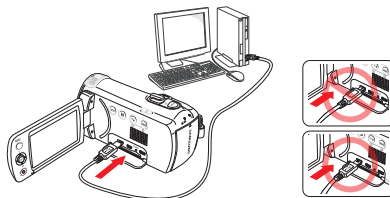
You can charge the battery with the USB cable and power adaptor.

-  Make sure that you use the supplied USB cable or power adaptor to charge the battery. If you use any other power adaptor for the camcorder, it will not work properly or the battery may not be charged. It may also cause an electric shock or result in a fire.



To charge the battery with the power adaptor



To charge the battery by connecting to a PC



- 1 Insert the battery into the camcorder. ➔page 19
- 2 Open the jack cover of the camcorder.
- 3 Charge the battery using the USB cable and power adaptor.
 - The CHG (charge) indicator lights up and charging starts. When the battery is fully charged, the charging (CHG) indicator turns green. ➔page 21

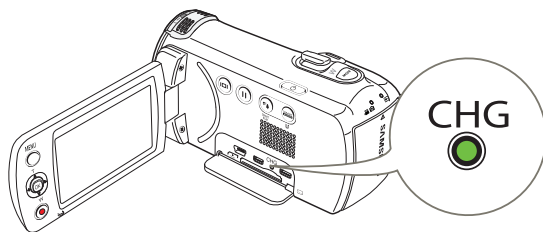
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- Charging the battery at low temperature may take longer or the battery may not charge fully (The green indicator will not turn on).
 - Make sure that there are no foreign substances on the plug or in the socket when you connect the power adaptor to the camcorder.
 - When using the power adaptor, place it close to the wall outlet. If you experience a malfunction while using the camcorder, separate the power adaptor immediately from the wall outlet.
 - Do not use the power adaptor in a tight space, such as between furnishings.
 - Make sure to turn off the camcorder before disconnecting the power adaptor. Otherwise, you can damage the storage media or data.
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- When recording indoors with a wall outlet available, it is convenient to use the power adaptor instead of the battery.
 - We recommend you charge the battery in a place with an ambient temperature between 50°F and 86°F (10°C~30°C).
 - If the camcorder is turned on, the battery will still charge, but more charging time will be needed. We recommend you keep the camcorder turned off while it charges.
 - You cannot operate the camcorder using USB power only. Use the power adaptor or battery to power the camcorder.
 - If you use the camcorder while you are charging the battery, charging may take longer.
 - An AC plug adaptor is required in some foreign countries. If you need one, purchase it from your distributor.

CHECKING THE BATTERY STATE

You can check the charging state and remaining battery capacity.

To check the charging state

The colour of the CHG lamp indicates the charging state.

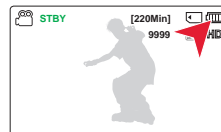


Charging (CHG) lamp

Charging state	Charging	Fully charged	Error
LED colour	Orange (Orange)	Green (Green)	Orange blink (Orange blink)

Battery level display

The battery level display shows the amount of battery power remaining in the battery.



Battery Level Indicator	State	Message
	Fully charged	-
	75%~50%	-
	50%~25%	-
	25%~5%	-
	less than 5%	-
	Exhausted (flickers): The device will soon turn off. Charge the battery as soon as possible.	-
-	The device will be forced to turn off after 3 seconds.	Low battery



The figures above are based on a fully charged battery at normal temperature. Low ambient temperature may affect the use time.

Available charging and running time for the battery

Battery Type		IA-BP105R		IA-BP210R	
Charging time	To charge the battery with the power adaptor	approx. 160 min.		approx. 300 min.	
	To charge the battery by connecting to a PC	approx. 160 min.		approx. 300 min.	
Resolution		HD	SD	HD	SD
Continuous recording time		approx. 100 min.	approx. 80 min.	approx. 200 min.	approx. 160 min.
Playback time		approx. 200 min.		approx. 400 min.	

- Charging time: Approximate time in minutes required to fully charge a completely exhausted battery.
- Recording/Playback time: Approximate time available when you have fully charged the battery.
- The time is only for reference. Times shown above are measured under Samsung's test conditions. Your times may differ, depending on your usage and conditions.
- The recording and playback times will be shorter when you use your camcorder in low temperatures.
- We recommend using the power adaptor when using the Time Lapse REC function.

Continuous Recording (without zoom)

The continuous recording time shows the available recording time when you record without using any other function after recording starts.

The battery may discharge 1.5 times faster than this reference if you use the record start/stop, the zoom, and the playback functions. Prepare additional batteries with the expectation that the actual recording time is about 60% of the times listed above.

Using an AC power source

We recommend that you use the power adaptor to power the camcorder from a household AC outlet when recording and playing back the camcorder indoors. The connection is the same as that for battery charging. ➔ page 20



- The charging time will vary depending on the amount of charge left in the battery.
- Depending on your PC specifications, the charging time can be prolonged.

About the battery

- **Battery properties**

A lithium-ion battery is small-sized and has a high capacity. Low ambient temperature (below 50°F (10°C)) may shorten its usage time and affect its function. Before recording in low temperatures, put the battery into your pocket to warm it, then install it in the camcorder.

- **Make sure to store the battery separately after use.**

- A small amount of battery power is consumed when the battery is stored in the camcorder even if the camcorder power is off.
- The battery may be completely discharged, if it has been installed and left in the camcorder for a long period of time. If this occurs, the battery may not fully operate even if you charge it.
- If the battery is not used for a long time, fully charge the battery and then, using your camcorder, drain the charge completely. Do this once every 3 months to keep the battery functioning properly. To store the battery, remove it from your camcorder and put it in a cool, dry place.

- **Charge an extra battery before using the camcorder outdoors in cold temperatures.**

- The cold temperature may shorten the length of time you can use the battery before needing to recharge it.
- Carry the supplied USB cable and power adaptor to charge the battery while travelling.

- **Check whether the battery terminal is damaged if the battery falls or is dropped.**

- If you install a battery with the damaged terminal into the camcorder, you can damage the camcorder.

- **Remove the battery and the memory card from the camcorder and disconnect the power adaptor after use.**

- Store the battery in a stable, cool, and dry place. (Recommended temperature : 59°F~77°F (15°C~25°C), recommended humidity: 40%~60%)
- Temperatures that are too high or too low shorten the battery lifetime.
- The battery terminals can become rusty or malfunction if the battery is stored in a smoky or dusty location.

- **Recycle or dispose of your dead batteries properly.**

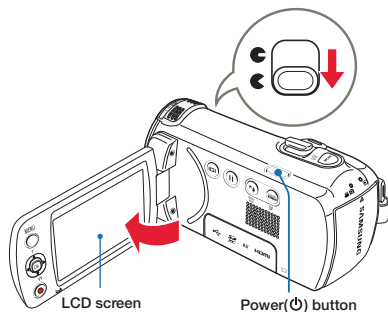
- **The battery lifetime is limited.**


- Battery capacity decreases over time and through repeated use. If decreased usage time between charges becomes significant, it is probably time to replace the battery with a new one.
- Each battery's life is affected by storage, and operating and environmental conditions.

Basic operation of the camcorder

TURNING YOUR CAMCORDER ON/OFF

- 1 Open the LCD screen and press the **[Power (⏻)]** button to turn on the camcorder.
 - Set the **[Lens cover open/close]** switch to open (☑).
- 2 To turn off the camcorder, press the **[Power (⏻)]** button.



 The camcorder operates the self-diagnosis function when powered on. If a warning message appears, refer to 'warning indicators and messages' (▶ pages 93~95) and take corrective action.



When using this camcorder for the first time

When you use your camcorder for the first time or reset it, the Date/Time Set screen appears at start-up.
Set the date and time. ▶ page 25

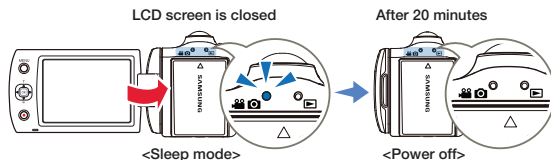
SWITCHING TO THE POWER SAVING MODE

If you need to use camcorder for the extended time, the following functions enable you to prevent unnecessary energy consumption.

Sleep mode

The camcorder switches to the sleep mode when the LCD screen is closed, and then, if idle for more than 20 minutes, the camcorder turns off. However, if **Auto Power Off: 5 Min** is set, the camcorder turns off in 5 minutes.

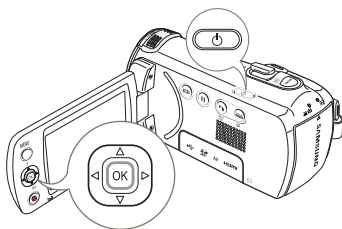
If you open the LCD screen during sleep mode, the sleep mode ends and the camcorder returns to the last operation mode used.



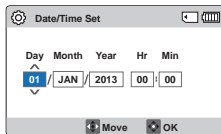
- The power saving mode does not work in the following situations:
 - While recording, playing back, or displaying a slide show.
 - When the LCD screen is opened.
- The camcorder consumes less battery power in the power saving mode. However, if you plan to use the camcorder for an extended time, we recommend you turn off the camcorder by pressing the **[Power (⏻)]** button when not using it.

SETTING THE DATE/TIME FOR THE FIRST TIME

You can set the date and time of your local area when you turn on this camcorder for the first time.



- 1 Open the LCD screen and press the **[Power (⏻)]** button to turn on the camcorder.
 - The Date/Time Set screen appears.
- 2 Select the date and time information, and change the setting values by using the **[Control (Up/Down/Left/Right)]** button.
- 3 Make sure the clock is correctly set, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.



- The year can be set up to 2037.
- Set **Date/Time Display** to On. ➔ page 76
- After setting, the date and time are automatically recorded on a special data area of the storage media.

Internal rechargeable battery

- Your camcorder includes a internal rechargeable battery that retains the date and time settings even after the power is turned off.
- Once this battery is depleted, the current date/time values are all reset to defaults, and you need to recharge the internal rechargeable battery. The date/time must be set again.

Charging the internal rechargeable battery

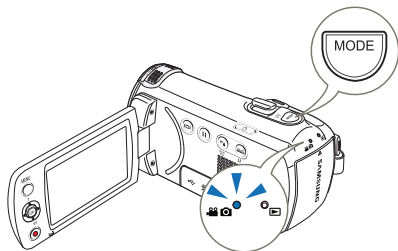
- The internal battery is always recharged while your camcorder is connected to the power adaptor or while the battery is attached.
- If you do not connect the camcorder to power adaptor or do not attach the battery for about 48 hours, the internal battery fully discharges. If this occurs, charge the internal battery by connecting to the supplied USB cable and power adaptor for 12 hours.

SETTING THE OPERATION MODES

You can switch the operation mode in the following order each time you press the **[MODE]** button.

Recording mode () ⇄ Playback mode ()

- Each time the operation mode changes, the respective mode indicator light turns on.



Mode	Indicator	Functions
Recording mode		To record videos or photos.
Playback mode		To play back videos or photos.

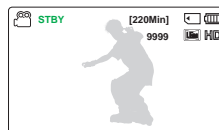
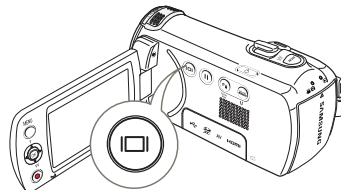
This camcorder provides one recording mode for both video and photo recordings. You can easily record videos or photos in the same mode without having to switch modes.

SWITCHING THE INFORMATION DISPLAY MODE

You can switch the on-screen information display mode.

Press the **[Display ()]** button.

- The full and minimum display modes will alternate.



<Full display mode>



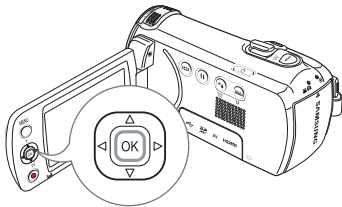
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- Warning indicators and messages may appear depending on the recording conditions.
- In the menu screen, the **[Display ()]** button will be deactivated.

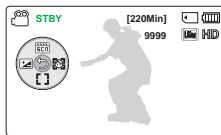
USING THE SHORTCUT MENU (OK GUIDE)

The shortcut menu (OK guide) contains the most frequently accessed functions for the selected mode. Pressing the **[Control (OK)]** button will display the shortcut menu of frequently used functions on the LCD screen.

An example: Setting EV (Exposure Value) in the recording mode using the shortcut menu (OK guide).

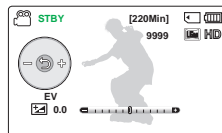


- 1 Press the **[Control (OK)]** button in STBY mode.
 - The shortcut menu (OK guide) appears.



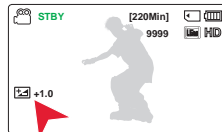
- 2 Press the **[Control (Left)]** button to select **EV** function.

- Press the **[Control (Left/Right)]** button to adjust the exposure while viewing the image on the LCD screen.















- 3 Press the **[Control (OK)]** button to confirm your selection.

- Press the **[Control (OK)]** button to exit the shortcut menu.
- The exposure value setting is applied and the indicator (Fz) and setting value appear.



- The shortcut menu (OK guide) cannot be used in the SMART AUTO mode.
- The example above shows how to set EV in the recording mode using the shortcut menu. The setting procedure could be different for other menu items.
- The shortcut menu appears briefly. The shortcut menu reappears when you press the **[Control (OK)]** button.

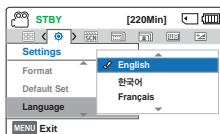
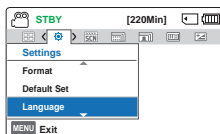
Controlling the shortcut functions using the control buttons

Button	Recording () mode	Playback () mode		Menu selection
		Video playback () mode	Photo playback () mode	
 OK	 - Access the shortcut menu - Confirm selection - Exit the shortcut menu	 - Access the shortcut menu - Playback / Pause	 - Access the shortcut menu - Playback zoom	Confirms selection
 UP	- iSCENE - Zoom (tele)	Increases the volume	-	Moves the cursor up
 DOWN	- Focus - Zoom (wide)	Decreases the volume	-	Moves the cursor down
 LEFT	EV	- Search playback RPS (Reverse Playback Search) rate: x2→x4→x8→x16 - Previous skip playback	Previous image	Moves to the previous menu
 RIGHT	Face Detection	- Search playback FPS (Forward Playback Search) rate: x2→x4→x8→x16 - Next skip playback	Next image	Moves to the next menu

SELECTING THE LANGUAGES

You can select the language that appears on the LCD screen.

- 1 Press the **[MENU]** button → **[Control (Left/Right)]** button → **Settings**.
- 2 Press the **[Control (Up/Down)]** button to select **Language**, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.
- 3 Press the **[Control (Up/Down)]** button to select the desired OSD language, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.
- 4 Press the **[MENU]** button to exit the menu.
 - The OSD language appears in the selected language.

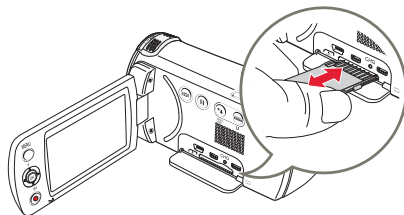
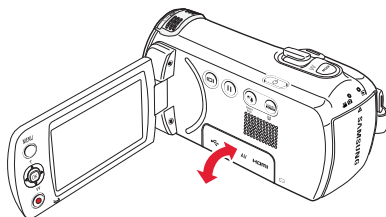


- **Language** options may be changed without prior notice.
- The selected language remains even if you remove the battery.
- The date and time format may change depending on the language you selected.



Getting ready to start recording

INSERTING AND EJECTING A MEMORY CARD (NOT SUPPLIED)



To insert a memory card

- 1 Turn the camcorder off.
- 2 Open the memory card cover as shown in the figure.
- 3 Insert the memory card into the card slot until it softly clicks.
 - Make sure that the camcorder is placed as shown above and the terminal portion of the card is facing up.
- 4 Close the cover.



- To avoid data loss, turn off the camcorder by pressing the **[Power (⏻)]** button before inserting or ejecting the memory card.
- Be careful not to push the memory card too hard. The memory card may suddenly pop out.
- If you eject the memory card from the camcorder while it is on, the camcorder turns off.



Your camcorder supports only SD, SDHC, and SDXC cards.
Card compatibility with this camcorder may vary depending on the card manufacturer and type.

To eject a memory card

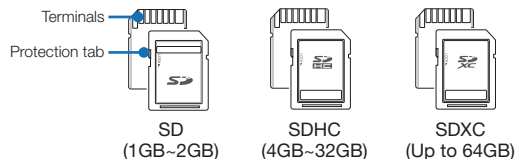
- 1 Turn the camcorder off.
- 2 Open the memory card cover as shown in the figure.
- 3 Gently push the memory card to eject it.
- 4 Pull the memory card out of the memory card slot and close the cover.

SELECTING A SUITABLE MEMORY CARD (NOT SUPPLIED)

Compatible memory cards

- You can use SD, SDHC, and SDXC cards with this camcorder. We recommend you use an SDHC card. This camcorder supports SD cards up to 2GB. We cannot guarantee normal operation with SD cards bigger than 2GB.
- MMC (Multi Media Card) and MMC Plus are not supported.
- Compatible memory card capacity:
 - SD: 1GB~2GB
 - SDHC: 4GB~32GB
 - SDXC: ~up to 64GB
- When you use unauthorised memory cards, the camcorder can not record videos correctly and your recordings may be lost.
- The memory cards released after this camcorder was released may not be compatible with the camcorder.
- To ensure stable recording and playback, use 6MB/s (Class 6) or higher memory cards.
- SD/SDHC/SDXC memory cards have a mechanical write-protection switch. Setting the switch prevents accidental erasure of files recorded on the card. To enable writing, move the switch up in the direction of the terminals. To set write protection, move the switch down.
- SDHC/SDXC cards are a higher version of SD memory cards and support higher capacities than SD memory cards.
- SD cards can be used with current SD enabled host devices.

Usable memory card



Using the memory card adaptor

To use a micro memory card with a computer or a card reader you must attach it to or insert it into an adaptor.



Handling a memory card

- Damaged data may not be recoverable. We recommend you make a back-up of important data separately on the hard disk of your PC.
- Turning the power off or removing a memory card during an operation such as formatting, deleting, recording, and playback may cause data loss.
- If you modify the name of a file or folder stored in the memory card with your PC, your camcorder may not recognise the modified file.
- The memory card does not support any data recovery mode. Therefore, care should be taken to prevent the memory card from being damaged while recording.
- Make sure to format the memory card on this camcorder. If the memory card had been formatted by a PC or other device, using it on this camcorder without re-formatting may cause trouble with recording and/or playback. Samsung is not responsible for damage to recorded contents caused by improper formatting.
- You have to format newly-purchased memory cards, memory cards with data that your camcorder cannot recognise, or cards with data saved by other devices. Note that formatting erases all data on the memory card. Erased data cannot be recovered.
- A memory card has a certain life span. If you cannot record new data, you have to purchase a new memory card.
- Do not bend, drop, or subject the card to strong impacts.
- Do not place foreign substances on the memory card terminals. Use a soft dry cloth to clean the terminals if required.
- Do not paste anything other than the label provided with the card on the label pasting area of the card.
- Do not use a damaged memory card.
- Be careful to keep the memory card out of the reach of children, who might swallow it.

The camcorder supports SD, SDHC, and SDXC memory cards, giving you a wider choice of cards!

The data storage speed of cards may differ, depending on the manufacturer and production system.

- SLC (single level cell) system: faster write speed enabled.
- MLC (multi level cell) system: only lower write speed is supported.

For best results, we recommend using a memory card that supports a faster write speed.

Using a lower write speed memory card for recording video may cause difficulties when storing.

You may even lose your video data during the recording. In an attempt to preserve every bit of the recorded video on a low speed card, the camcorder forcibly stores the video on the memory card and displays a warning:

Low speed card. Please record at a lower resolution.

If you are unavoidably using a low speed memory card, the resolution and quality of the recording may be lower than the value you set. ➡ page 53

The higher the video resolution and quality, the more memory the camcorder uses.



- Samsung is not responsible for data loss due to misuse, including loss caused by any PC virus.
- We recommend using a memory card case to avoid data loss that can be caused by moving the card or by static electricity.
- After a period of use, the memory card may get warm. This is normal and is not a malfunction.

RECORDABLE TIME AND CAPACITY

Recordable time available for video

Resolution	Storage media capacity						
	1GB	2GB	4GB	8GB	16GB	32GB	64GB
1280X720/25p	13	27	55	110	220	440	890
720X576/50p (16:9)	13	27	55	110	220	440	890
720X576/50p (4:3)	13	27	55	110	220	440	890

(Unit: Approximate minutes of recording)

Recordable number of photos

Resolution	Storage media capacity						
	1GB	2GB	4GB	8GB	16GB	32GB	64GB
1696x954 (16:9)	1,650	3,290	6,630	9,999	9,999	9,999	9,999
1280x720 (16:9)	2,270	4,550	9,160	9,999	9,999	9,999	9,999
1600x1200 (4:3)*	1,520	3,030	6,110	9,999	9,999	9,999	9,999
800x600 (4:3)*	2,990	5,970	9,999	9,999	9,999	9,999	9,999

(Unit: Approximate number of images)



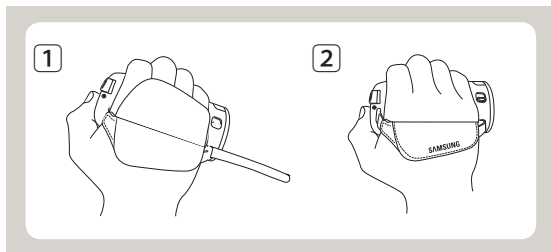
- Your recordable time and capacity and recordable number of photos may differ from the figures in the tables depending on your subject and actual recording conditions.
- The higher the resolution, the more memory is used.
- Lower resolution increases the recording time, but the image quality may suffer.
- The bit rate automatically adjusts to the recording image. Accordingly, the recording time may vary.
- Memory cards bigger than 64GB may not operate normally.
- The recording length of a Time Lapse REC may vary depending on settings.
- A memory card that is used to store a video can have un-writable areas, which may result in reduced recording time and free memory space.
- The maximum continuous recording time is under 20 minutes. The maximum video file size is 1.8GB. When a video recording time is more than 20 minutes or a video file exceeds 1.8GB, a new video file is created automatically.
- The maximum number of recordable photo and video files is 9,999, respectively.
- Resolutions marked with * are the resolutions of photos you record when you set video resolution to **720X576/50p (4:3)**.

1GB ≒ 1,000,000,000 bytes : Actual formatted capacity may be less as the internal firmware uses a portion of the memory.

ATTACHING THE STRAP

Adjust the length of strap so that the camcorder is stable when you press the **[Recording start/stop]** button with your thumb.

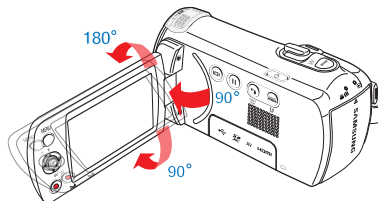
 If you adjust the strap too tightly and use excessive force to insert your hand, the strap hook of the camcorder may be damaged.





ADJUSTING THE LCD SCREEN

The wide LCD screen on your camcorder offers high quality image viewing.

- 1 Open the LCD screen with your finger.
 - The screen opens up to 90°.
- 2 Rotate the LCD screen towards the lens.
 - You can rotate it up to 180° towards the lens and up to 90° backwards. To view recordings more conveniently, rotate the screen by 180° towards the lens, and then fold it back to the body.



 Excessive rotation may damage the connective hinge between the screen and the camcorder.

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- When the LCD screen is rotated by 150°~180°, the left and right sides of the subject are shown in reverse, which produces a horizontally flipped image.
 - Remove fingerprints or dust on the screen with a soft cloth.
 - To adjust the LCD brightness, see page 77.

Basic recording

RECORDING VIDEOS

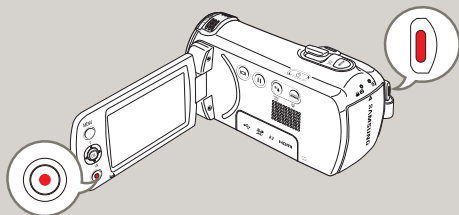
Set the desired resolution before recording. ➔ page 53



- Insert a memory card. ➔ page 30
- Open the Lens cover by using the **[Lens cover open/close]** switch. ➔ page 15
- Press the **[Power (⏻)]** button to turn on the camcorder.
- Select the recording (📹) mode by pressing the **[MODE]** button. ➔ page 26



This camcorder features two **[Recording start/stop]** buttons. One is on the rear side of the camcorder and the other is on the LCD screen. Select the one that works best for you.



- 1 Select a subject to record.
 - Adjust the LCD screen to the best angle for recording.
 - Use the **[Zoom]** lever or **[Zoom]** button to adjust the size of the subject. ➔ page 40



- 2 Press the **[Recording start/stop]** button.
 - The recording (●) indicator appears and recording starts.
- 3 To stop recording, press the **[Recording start/stop]** button again.



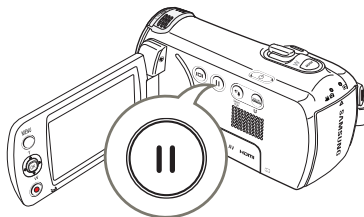
- If power is interrupted or an error occurs during recording, the video may not be recorded.
- Samsung is not responsible for any damage caused by a failure of normal recording or playback operations caused by memory card error.
- Note that damaged data cannot be recovered.
- Do not turn off the camcorder or remove the memory card while accessing the storage media. Doing so may damage the storage media or the data in the storage media.



- For on-screen information display, see pages 16–18.
- For approximate recording times, see page 33.
- Eject the battery when you have finished recording to prevent unnecessary battery power consumption.
- For various functions available when you record videos, see pages 52–66.
- During recording, some button operations are unavailable. ([MODE] button, [MENU] button, etc.)
- Sound is recorded from the internal stereo microphone on the top-front of the camcorder. Take care that this microphone is not blocked.
- Before recording an important video, make sure to test the recording function to check if there is any problem with the audio or video recording.
- You can adjust the brightness of the LCD screen in the menu options. Adjusting the LCD screen does not affect the image being recorded. ➔ page 77
- You cannot use a locked memory card for recording. You will see a message saying recording is disabled due to the lock.
- Recording videos in a quiet environment increases microphone sensitivity. This increased sensitivity may cause the microphone to record surrounding ambient noise. The increased microphone sensitivity may also cause the camcorder to record the noise the zoom mechanism makes if you use the zoom while recording.
- When you record indoors or in the dark places, ISO sensitivity is automatically adjusted. In very dark places, the ISO adjustment can cause interference effects on images and prevent you from recording these images correctly. We recommend you use a professional, infrared camcorder when recording in dark places or at night.
- An image can be blurred when the Anti-Shake(HDIS) function is enabled and the camcorder is mounted on a tripod or fixed in place. Release the Anti-Shake(HDIS) function when the camcorder is mounted on a tripod.

RECORDING PAUSE/RESUME

The camcorder allows you to pause temporarily while recording a video. With this function, you can record separate scenes as a single video.



- 1 Press the **[Recording start/stop]** button.

- The recording (●) indicator appears and recording starts.

- 2 Press the **[Recording pause/resume (⏏)]** button.

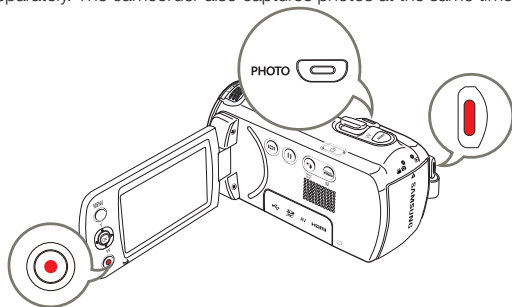
- The recording pauses and the indicator (⏏) appears.
- To continue the recording, press the **[Recording pause/resume (⏏)]** button.



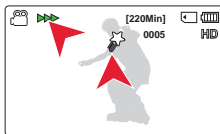
- If you connect your camcorder to a PC using a USB cable when recording is paused, the camcorder will connect to the PC after it saves the video it has recorded up to the pause.
- If you remove the memory card when the camcorder is in Pause mode, the camcorder turns off the power and will not save any of the video it has recorded.

TAGGING AND CAPTURING GREAT MOMENTS WHILE RECORDING (MY CLIP FUNCTION)

My Clip lets you tag good scenes with the My Clip icon (👤) by pressing the **[PHOTO]** button while you are recording a video, and then lets you extract those clips from the video and watch them separately. The camcorder also captures photos at the same time.

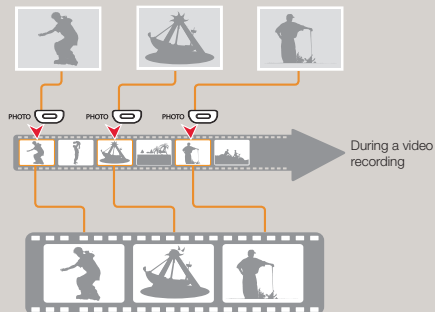


- 1 Press the **[Recording start/stop]** button.
 - The recording (●) indicator appears and recording starts.
- 2 Press the **[PHOTO]** button at each great moment while recording.
 - The camcorder tags the scenes as My Clip (👤) and captures photos at the same time.
- 3 To stop recording, press the **[Recording start/stop]** button again.



Understanding My Clip function

Captured photos are saved in the photo thumbnail view.



You can extract and play back the scenes tagged as 'My Clip' (👤) from a video. ➡ page 45



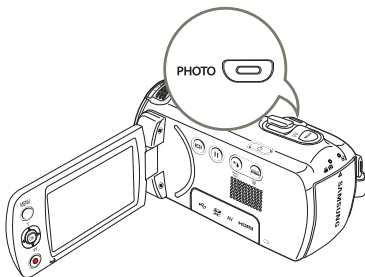
- The camcorder can tag up to 5 moments as 'My Clip' and capture up to 5 photos while recording a video.
- When you use the My Clip function, the camcorder tags the scene so that it starts 3 seconds before you pressed the **[PHOTO]** button and ends five seconds after you pressed the **[PHOTO]** button.
- Photos are captured in the video recording resolution.
- When you use time lapse recording, the My Clip function does not operate.
- You can also tag any scenes in a video by pressing the **[PHOTO]** button during video playback. ➡ page 46
- The captured photos are not recorded if an error occurs during video recording or the camcorder does not complete recording successfully.

RECORDING PHOTOS

Set the desired resolution before recording. ➡ page 54

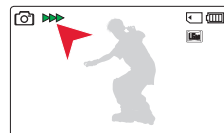


- Insert a memory card. ➡ page 30
- Open the Lens cover by using the [Lens cover open/close] switch. ➡ page 15
- Press the [Power (⏻)] button to turn on the camcorder.
- Select the recording (📹📷) mode by pressing the [MODE] button. ➡ page 26



- 1 Select a subject to record.
 - Adjust the LCD screen to the best angle for capturing.
 - Use the [Zoom] lever or [Zoom] button to adjust the size of the subject. ➡ page 40

- 2 Centre the subject in the LCD screen.



- 3 Fully press the [PHOTO] button.
 - The shutter sound is heard (when **Shutter Sound: On** is set).
 - To continue capturing, wait until the current photo is completely saved on the storage media.



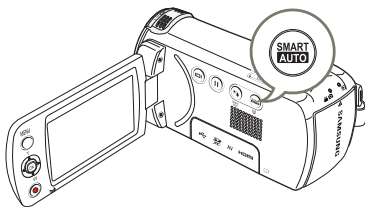
Do not turn off the camcorder or remove the memory card when taking photos as it may damage the storage media or data.



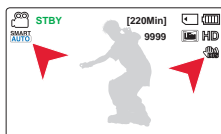
- **This camcorder provides one combined video and photo recording mode. You can easily record videos or photos in the same mode without having to change it.**
- The recordable number of photos varies depending on the photo resolution. ➡ page 33
- Audio is not recorded when you take photos.
- For the on-screen display information, see pages 16~18.
- You can adjust the brightness of the LCD screen in the menu options. Adjusting the LCD screen does not affect the image being recorded. ➡ page 77
- For various functions available during recording, see pages 52~66.
- Photo files conform to the DCF (Design rule for Camera File system) standard, established by JEITA (Japan Electronics and Information Technology Industries Association).

RECORDING WITH EASE FOR BEGINNERS (SMART AUTO)

User-friendly SMART AUTO optimises your camcorder for the recording conditions automatically, providing you with the best performance.



- Press the **[SMART AUTO]** button.
 - The SMART AUTO (**SMART AUTO**) and Anti-Shake(HDIS) (**DIS**) icons appear on the screen at the same time.



- Centre the subject in the LCD screen.
 - The camcorder automatically detects the scene (Landscape, etc.) and adjusts the camcorder settings accordingly.
 - The appropriate scene icon appears on the LCD screen.

Scene icons	Meaning
	Appears when recording a night scene.
	Appears when recording with a very bright background.
	Appears when recording indoors.
	Appears when recording a close-up.
	Appears when recording a landscape.
	Appears when recording a portrait.
	Appears when recording a portrait outdoors at night.

- Press the **[Recording start/stop]** button or **[PHOTO]** button.
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- To cancel the SMART AUTO mode, press the **[SMART AUTO]** button again.

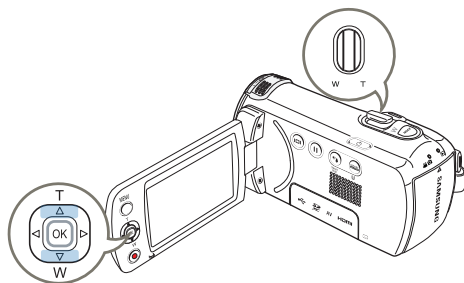
- The SMART AUTO (**SMART AUTO**) and Anti-Shake(HDIS) (**DIS**) icons disappear from the screen.



- When there is no detected scene, the (**SMART AUTO**) icon appears.
- The camcorder may not detect the Portrait mode when recording a face, depending on the position of the face or brightness.
- Depending on conditions such as lighting, shaking of the camcorder, or distance to the subject, the camcorder may detect the image you see on the LCD screen as a different scene type each time you apply SMART AUTO.
- The Portrait and Night Portrait modes work only when **Face Detection** is set to **On**. → page 56
- Buttons unavailable during SMART AUTO operation: **[MENU]** button, **[Control (OK)]** button, etc. Most settings are automatically adjusted in SMART AUTO mode. To set or adjust functions on your own, release the SMART AUTO mode first.
- SMART AUTO must be set before recording.

ZOOMING IN/OUT

Use the zoom function for close-up or wide-angle recording. This camcorder allows you to record using 52x optical power zoom, 70x Intelli-zoom and 130x digital zoom.



To zoom in (T)

Slide the **[Zoom]** lever towards **[T]** (telephoto).
(Or press the **[Control (Up)]** button on the LCD screen.)

- The distant subject is gradually magnified.

To zoom out (W)

Slide the **[Zoom]** lever towards **[W]** (wide-angle).
(Or press the **[Control (Down)]** button on the LCD screen.)

- The subject gets smaller and further away.
- The smallest zoom ratio is the subject's original size in the zoom-out.

W: Wide-angle



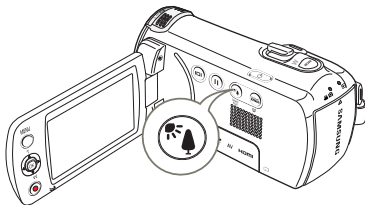
T: Telephoto



- Zoom magnification over 70x is done through digital image processing, and is therefore called digital zoom. Digital zooming is possible up to 130x. ➔ page 62
- To maintain sharp focus, the minimum possible distance between the camcorder and subject is about 1cm for wide-angle and 1m for telephoto.
- Optical zoom preserves image quality, but the image quality may suffer when you use digital zoom.
- Fast zooming or zooming in a subject that is a good distance away may cause the camcorder to focus slowly. If this occurs, use **Focus: Manual**. ➔ page 58
- We recommend you use **Anti-Shake(HDIS)** for handheld recording when the subject is zoomed in and enlarged.
- Frequent use of the zoom function consumes more power.
- If you zoom when recording, the camcorder may record the sound of the **[Zoom]** lever or **[Zoom]** button operating.
- When you use the zoom function, you can decrease its speed by slowly moving the **[Zoom (T/W)]** lever. Moving the lever quickly increases the zoom speed. However, you cannot use the **[Zoom (T/W)]** button on the display to adjust the zoom speed.
- When Video Resolution is set to **1280x720/25p**, the Intelli Zoom function does not operate.

USING THE BACK LIGHT BUTTON

When a subject is lit from behind, this function compensates for lighting so that the subject is not too dark.



Press the **[Back light (☀️)]** button to toggle the back light mode between On and Off.



Back lighting influences recording when the subject is darker than the background:

- The subject is in front of a window.
- The subject is against a snowy background.
- The subject is outdoors and the background is overcast.
- The light sources are too bright.
- The person to be recorded is wearing white or shiny clothes and is placed against a bright background.
- The person's face is too dark to distinguish his/her features.



<Backlight off>



<Backlight on>

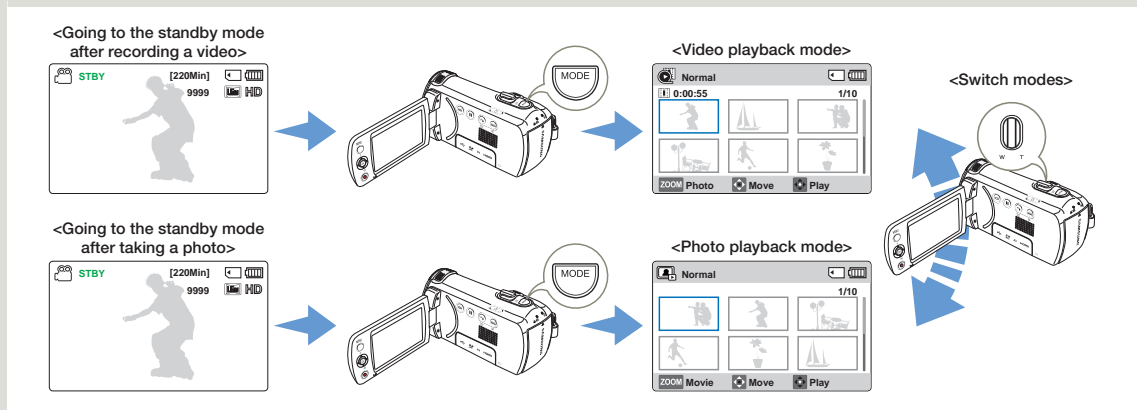
Basic playback

CHANGING THE PLAYBACK MODE

- You can switch to the playback mode by pressing the **[MODE]** button.
- The recorded videos or photos appear in thumbnail view and the most recently created file is highlighted.
- The camcorder selects the thumbnail display options based on the standby mode you used the last time. However, you can choose the video or photo thumbnail view display options by using the **[Zoom]** lever.

Understanding how to change the operation modes

You can easily change the playback mode by using the buttons as shown in the following figures:

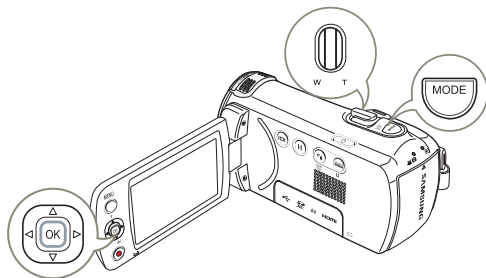


PLAYING BACK VIDEOS

You can preview recorded videos in a thumbnail view, find your desired video quickly, and play back directly.

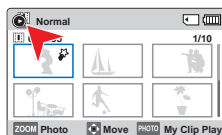


- Insert a memory card. ➔page 30
- Open the LCD screen and press the **[Power (⏻)]** button to turn on the camcorder.
- This function works only in the video playback (🎞️) mode. ➔page 26



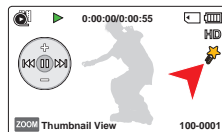
1 Select the video thumbnail view.

- You can easily switch between video and photo thumbnail view using the **[Zoom]** lever.



2 Use the **[Control (Up/Down/Left/Right)]** button to select the desired videos, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.

- The camcorder plays back the video you selected and the shortcut menu for playback appears for a short time.
- The selected videos play back according to the **PlayOption** setting. ➔page 68
- If you play back a video tagged as My Clip, the My Clip (👤) icon on the LCD screen appears. The colour of the My Clip icon is changed to yellow at the scenes tagged as My Clip (for 8 seconds).



3 To stop playback and return to the thumbnail view, use the **[Zoom]** lever.

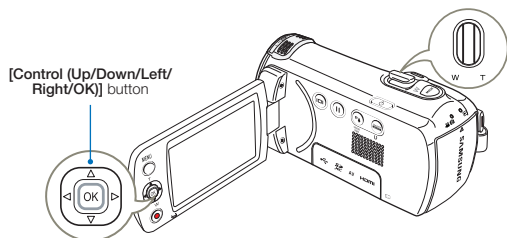


Do not power off the camcorder or eject the memory card during video playback. Doing so may damage the recorded data.



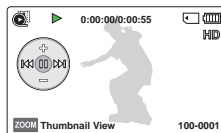
- The loading time of a video may vary depending on the video file's size and video resolution.
- Video files may not play back on the camcorder in the following cases:
 - The video was recorded on another device.
 - The video has a file format that is not supported by the camcorder.
- The internal speaker automatically turns off when the Audio/Video cable is connected to the camcorder. (When the camcorder is connected to an external device, adjust the volume using the connected external device.)
- You can play back recorded video files on a TV or a PC. ➔pages 81, 86
- For various functions available during playback, see page 44.

Various playback operations



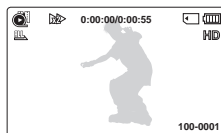
Playback/Pause/Stop

- 1 Playback and pause alternate when you press the **[Control (OK)]** button during playback.
- 2 Use the **[Zoom]** lever to stop playback and return to the thumbnail view.



Search playback

- 1 During playback, press and hold the **[Control (Left/Right)]** button for reverse search/forward search.
- 2 Pressing the **[Control (Left/Right)]** button repeatedly increases the search speed for each direction.
 - RPS (Reverse Playback Search) rate: x2 → x4 → x8 → x16
 - FPS (Forward Playback Search) rate: x2 → x4 → x8 → x16
- 3 To resume normal playback, press the **[Control (OK)]** button.



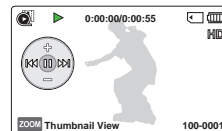
Skip playback

- During playback, press the **[Control (Right)]** button to locate the starting point of the next file. Pressing the **[Control (Right)]** button repeatedly skips files in the forward direction.
- During playback, press the **[Control (Left)]** button to locate the starting point of the current file. Pressing the **[Control (Left)]** button repeatedly skips files in the reverse direction.
- Press the **[Control (Left)]** button within 3 seconds from the starting point of the current file to skip back to the previous file.

To adjust the volume during video playback

Press the **[Control (Up/Down)]** button to increase or decrease the volume.

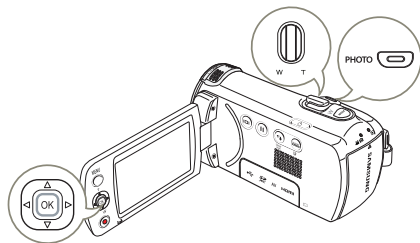
- You can hear the recorded sound from the internal speaker.
- The level can be set anywhere between 0 and 10.



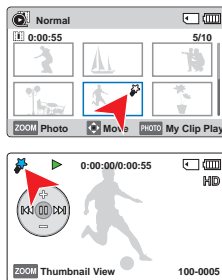
- If you close the LCD screen during playback, you may not hear the sound from the speaker.
- You can hear the recorded sound only when the playback is at normal speed.
- When playing back the My Clip tags, the search playback function does not operate.

PLAYING BACK MY CLIP

You can extract and play back the scenes tagged as 'My Clip' from a video.



- 1 Select the video thumbnail view.
- 2 Use the [Control (Up/Down/Left/Right)] button to select the video tagged with the My Clip symbol (📌), and then press the [PHOTO] button.
 - The camcorder plays back the tagged scenes sequentially.
- 3 To stop playback and return to the thumbnail view, use the [Zoom] lever.

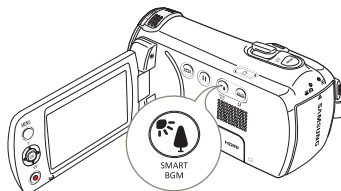


USING THE SMART BGM FUNCTION

You can enjoy music during video playback. If the original sound in the video is loud, the background music will be decreased naturally. On the other hand, if the original sound in the video is quiet, the background music will be increased naturally.



This function works only in the video playback (📺) mode.
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Select the desired video to play back and then press the [SMART BGM] button.

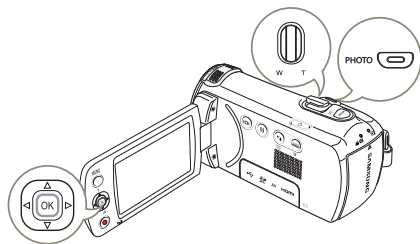
- To cancel, press the [SMART BGM] button again.



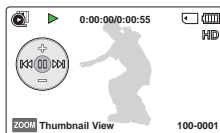
You can change the background music in the **Smart BGM Option**.
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TAGGING AND CAPTURING GREAT MOMENTS WHILE PLAYING BACK VIDEO

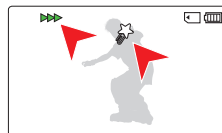
You can tag good scenes during playback using the My Clip function (📌) and capture photos from those scenes.



- 1 Select the video thumbnail view.
- 2 Use the **[Control (Up/Down/Left/Right)]** button to select the desired videos, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.
 - The camcorder plays back the video you selected and the shortcut menu for playback appears for a short time.



- 3 When you see a scene you want to tag, press the **[PHOTO]** button.
 - The camcorder tags the scenes as My Clip (📌) and captures photos at the same time.
- 4 To stop playback and return to the thumbnail view, use the **[Zoom]** lever.



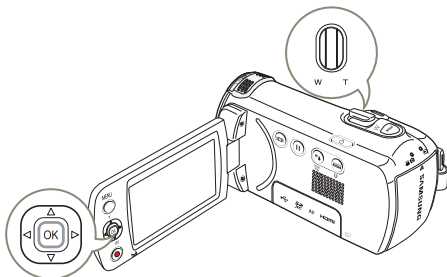
- During video playback, the camcorder can tag up to 20 scenes with 'My Clip' from a video and capture photos until the available remaining capacity of the storage media is full.
- Photos are captured in the same resolution as the video recording.
- If you press the **[PHOTO]** button while extracting and playing back scenes tagged as My Clip, the camcorder switches to STBY mode.

VIEWING PHOTOS

You can view recorded photos by using various playback functions.

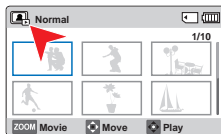


- Insert a memory card. ↪ page 30
- Open the LCD screen and press the **[Power (⏻)]** button to turn on the camcorder.
- This function works only in the photo playback (📷) mode.
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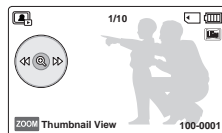
1 Select the photo thumbnail view.

- You can easily switch between the video and photo thumbnail view using the **[Zoom]** lever.



2 Use the **[Control (Up/Down/Left/Right)]** button to select the desired photos, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.

- The camcorder displays the photo you selected in full screen view and the shortcut menu for playback appears for a short time.
- To view the previous/next photo, press the **[Control (Left/Right)]** button.



3 To return to the thumbnail view, use the **[Zoom]** lever.



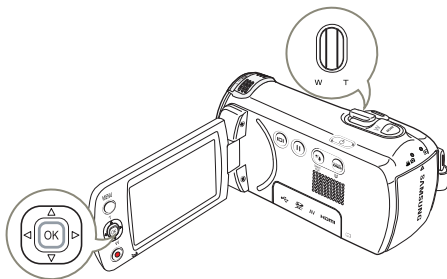
Do not power off the camcorder or eject the memory card during photo playback. Doing so may damage the recorded data.



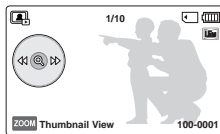
- Loading time may vary depending on the size and quality of the selected photo file.
- Your camcorder may not play back the following photo files normally:
 - Photos that were recorded on another device.
 - Photos recorded in a file format not supported by this camcorder (a format that does not conform to DCF standards).

ZOOMING DURING PHOTO PLAYBACK

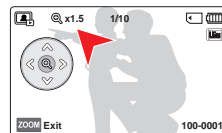
You can magnify a playback image by using the zoom function.



- 1 Select the photo you want to magnify. ➔ page 47
- 2 Adjust the magnification with the **[Control (OK)]** button.
 - The screen is framed and the image is magnified starting from the centre of the image.
 - You can zoom in from x1.3 to x2.0.



- 3 Press the **[Control (Up/Down/Left/Right)]** button to view the area you want on the magnified photo.
- 4 To cancel, use the **[Zoom]** lever.




- Photos recorded on other devices or those edited on a PC cannot be magnified.
- While you are using the playback zoom, you cannot select other images.

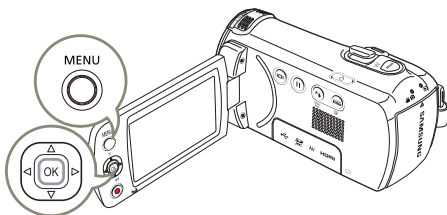
Using the menu items

HANDLING MENUS

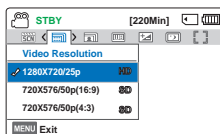
The instructions below are examples of how to access and use menu items using the **[MENU]** button. When you access and use other menu items, use these examples as guides.



Press the **[MODE]** button to select the recording () mode.
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- 1 Press the **[MENU]** button.
 - The menu screen appears.
- 2 Press the **[Control (Left/Right)]** button to select **Video Resolution**.
 - The Video Resolution function is used here as an example.



- 3 Press the **[Control (Up/Down)]** button to select the desired submenu item, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.
- 4 When you finish changing settings, press the **[MENU]** button to exit.



- While you are using certain menu items, some other menu items cannot be used at the same time or may be greyed out. For more information, see 'Troubleshooting' on page 102.
- For easy understanding, the menu setting procedure in the example above presented the simplest way of setting the menu item. Menu setting methods can differ depending on the menu options you choose.
- You can also access the shortcut menu using the **[Control (OK)]** button. ➡ page 27

MENU ITEMS



- The items available in each menu vary depending on the operation mode.
- For item operation details, see the page number listed under Page in the table.

Recording menu items

Items	Default value	Page
iSCENE	Auto	52
Video Resolution	1280X720/25p	53
Photo Resolution	1696x954 (16:9)	54
White Balance	Auto	54
Face Detection	Off	56
EV	-	57
C.Nite	-	58
Focus	Auto	58
Anti-Shake(HDIS)	Off	60
Digital Special Effect	Off	61
Zoom Type	Optical Zoom	62
Cont. Shot	Off	63
Time Lapse REC	Off	64
Guideline	Off	66
Settings	-	75

Playback menu items


● : Accessible
 ✕ : Not accessible

Items	Video playback mode ()	Photo playback mode ()	Default value	Page
Thumbnail View Option (Thumbnail view only)	●	●	Normal	67
PlayOption	●	✕	Play All	68
Smart BGM Option (Single view only)	●	✕	The Flea Waltz	68
Delete	●	●	-	70
Delete My Clip	●	✕	-	71
Protect	●	●	-	72
Share Mark	●	✕	-	73
Slide Show	✕	●	-	74
File Info	●	●	-	74
Settings	●	●	-	75

Setting menu items

● : Accessible

× : Not accessible

Items	Recording () mode	Playback mode (Thumbnail view)		Playback mode (Single view)		Default values	Page
		Video	Photo	Video	Photo		
Storage Info	●	●	●	●	●	-	75
File No.	●	●	●	●	●	Series	75
Date/Time Set	●	●	●	●	●	-	76
Date/Time Display	●	●	●	●	●	Off	76
LCD Brightness	●	●	●	●	●	Normal	77
Auto LCD Off [★]	●	●	●	●	●	On	77
Beep Sound	●	●	●	●	●	On	78
Shutter Sound	●	●	●	●	●	On	78
Auto Power Off [★]	●	●	●	●	●	5 Min	79
PC Software	●	●	●	●	●	On	79
Format	●	●	●	●	●	-	80
Default Set	●	●	●	×	×	-	80
Language	●	●	●	●	●	English	80
Open source licences	●	●	●	●	●	-	80



- Menu options and default values may be changed without prior notice.
- There are some functions you cannot activate simultaneously in the menu. These items are greyed out. You cannot select the grey menu items.
- In general, functions in both the thumbnail display and full image display employ the same methods, while their detailed options may be different.
- Items marked with [★] are available only when the camcorder is powered by the battery.

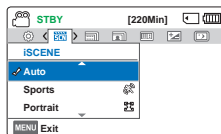
Advanced recording

iSCENE







This camcorder automatically can set the shutter speed and aperture according to the subject and brightness for optimum recording.

-  Select the recording () mode by pressing the [MODE] button. ➔ page 26

- 1 Press the [MENU] button → [Control (Left/Right)] button → iSCENE.
- 2 Select the desired submenu item with the [Control (Up/Down)] button, and then press the [Control (OK)] button.
- 3 Press the [MENU] button to exit the menu.



Submenu Items

Items	Use	On-screen display
Auto	Use this setting for regular recording conditions. The camcorder automatically adjusts the aperture value and shutter speed for optimum recording.	-
Sports	For recording rapidly moving subjects. Example: When recording sports.	
Portrait	For recording a portrait image. Use this setting to capture natural skin tones.	
Spotlight	For recording subjects under strong light. For example, under stage spotlights in theaters.	
Beach & Snow	Use where sunlight or the reflection of light is intense. Example: a beach or snow field.	
Food	For recording objects close-up in high colour saturation.	
Waterfall	For recording a waterfall or fountain.	



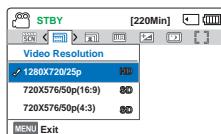
You can also set iSCENE with the shortcut menu. ➔ page 27

Video Resolution

You can select the resolution of a video to be recorded.

 Select the recording () mode by pressing the **[MODE]** button. ➔ page 26

- 1 Press the **[MENU]** button → **[Control (Left/Right)]** button → **Video Resolution**.
- 2 Select the desired submenu item with the **[Control (Up/Down)]** button, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.
- 3 Press the **[MENU]** button to exit the menu.



- 50p indicates the camcorder will record in progressive scan mode at 50 frames per second.
- 25p indicates the camcorder will record in progressive scan mode at 25 frames per second.
- Recorded files are encoded using Variable Bit Rate (VBR). VBR is an encoding system that automatically adjusts the bit rate according to the image being recorded.
- High resolution images occupy more memory space than low resolution images. If you select the higher resolution, there is less space to record videos in the memory.
- The recording times depend on the resolution of a video to be recorded. ➔ page 33

Submenu Items

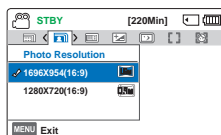
Items	Use	On-screen display
1280x720/25p	Records in 1280x720 (25p) resolution.	HD
720x576/50p (16:9)	Records in 720x576 (50p) resolution with 16:9 aspect ratio.	SD
720x576/50p(4:3)	Records in 720x576 (50p) resolution with 4:3 aspect ratio.	SD

Photo Resolution





You can select the quality of photo images to be recorded.

-  Select the recording () mode by pressing the [MODE] button. ➞ page 26

- 1 Press the [MENU] button → [Control (Left/Right)] button → **Photo Resolution**.
- 2 Select the desired submenu item with the [Control (Up/Down)] button, and then press the [Control (OK)] button.
- 3 Press the [MENU] button to exit the menu.



Submenu Items

Items	Use	On-screen display
1696x954(16:9)	Record in 1696x954 resolution.	
1280x720(16:9)	Record in 1280x720 resolution.	
1600x1200(4:3)*	Record in 1600x1200 resolution.	
800x600(4:3)*	Record in 800x600 resolution.	



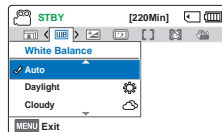
- Other devices may not display photos recorded by your camcorder if those devices do not support high resolution.
- For photo development, the higher the resolution, the finer the image quality.
- The number of recordable images differs according to the photo resolution you select. ➞ page 33
- High resolution images occupy more memory space than low resolution images. If you select a higher resolution for your photos, you will have less space to store photos in the memory.
- Resolutions marked with * are the resolutions of photos you record when you set video resolution to 720X576/50p (4:3).

White Balance

Using the White Balance function, you can select a setting that matches the light illuminating the subject you are shooting (Daylight, Fluorescent, etc.) or let the camcorder make all adjustments automatically. Based on your selection, the camcorder automatically adjusts the colour of the subject so the colours in your recording look natural.

-  Select the recording () mode by pressing the [MODE] button. ➞ page 26

- 1 Press the [MENU] button → [Control (Left/Right)] button → **White Balance**.
- 2 Select the desired submenu item with the [Control (Up/Down)] button, and then press the [Control (OK)] button.
- 3 Press the [MENU] button to exit the menu.




Understanding White Balance

The White Balance (WB) process removes unrealistic colour casts so that white objects are rendered white in your image and all other colours look natural. Proper white balance has to take into account the 'colour temperature' of a light source, which refers to the relative warmth or coolness of white light.

Submenu items

Items	Use	On-screen display
Auto	To let the camcorder adjust the white balance automatically according to the lighting conditions.	-
Daylight	For recording in clear, outdoor lighting.	
Cloudy	For recording in the shade or cloudy weather.	
Fluorescent	For recording under white fluorescent lights.	
Tungsten	For recording under halogen lamps and incandescent lights.	
Custom WB	Lets you manually adjust the white balance to match the light source or situation.	

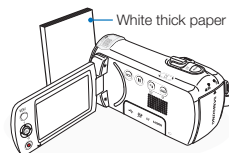
To set the white balance manually

- 1 Select **Custom WB**.
 - The indicator () and message **Set White Balance** appear.



- 2 Frame a white object such as a piece of paper so it fills the screen. Use an object that is not transparent.

- If the object filling the screen is not focused, correct the focus using **Focus: Manual**.
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- 3 Press the **[Control (OK)]** button.
 - The camcorder applies the stored white balance the next time you record.
- 4 Press the **[MENU]** button to exit the menu.



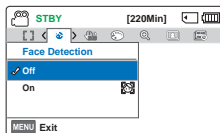
- A subject can be recorded under various types of lighting conditions indoors (natural, fluorescent, candlelight, etc.). Because the colour temperature is different depending on the light source, the subject's tint will differ, affecting the subject's white balance. Use this function to correct the white balance and provide a more natural result.
- When you set white balance manually, the object you frame must be white. Otherwise your camcorder may not detect an appropriate setting value.
- The adjusted setting remains until you set the white balance again.
- During normal outdoor recording, setting to **Auto** may provide better results.
- Cancel the digital zoom function for a clear and precise setting.
- Reset the white balance if light conditions change.

Face Detection


Face Detection detects and recognises face-like shapes and adjusts focus, colour, and exposure automatically. Also, it adjusts recording conditions so that they are optimised for the face detected.

-  Select the recording ( ) mode by pressing the [MODE] button. [page 26](#)

- 1 Press the [MENU] button → [Control (Left/Right)] button → **Face Detection**.
- 2 Select the desired submenu item with the [Control (Up/Down)] button, and then press the [Control (OK)] button.
- 3 To exit the menu, press the [MENU] button.



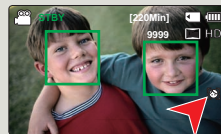
Submenu Items



Items	Use	On-screen display
Off	To disable the function.	-
On	To detect faces automatically and set the optimal recording values.	



Examples of the Face detection mode

When you set **Face detection** to **On**, the face detection frame appears around faces as shown in the figure below. The camcorder can detect up to three faces.





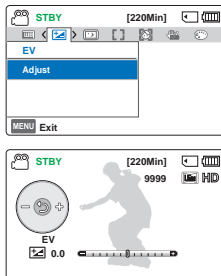
- The Face Detection indicator () and Face Detection frame () are not recorded.
- Face Detection may not operate depending on the recording conditions. For example, the Face Detection frame may appear on a 'face-like' shape, even when the subject is not a person's face. If this occurs, turn off the Face Detection function.
- The Face Detection frame will not work on the side of a person's face or if the illumination is too low. You must be facing subjects 'head-on' and have enough illumination.
- You can also set Face Detection with the shortcut menu. [page 27](#)

EV (Exposure Value)

The camcorder usually adjusts the exposure automatically. You can also manually adjust the exposure to your preference.

- ☒ Select the recording () mode by pressing the [MODE] button. ➞ page 26

- 1 Press the [MENU] button → [Control (Left/Right)] button → **EV**.
- 2 Press the [Control (OK)] button.
- 3 Press the [Control (Left/Right)] button to adjust the exposure while viewing the image on the LCD screen.
 - EV values (): -2.0, -1.6, -1.3, -1.0, -0.6, -0.3, 0, +0.3, +0.6, +1.0, +1.3, +1.6, +2.0
- 4 Confirm your selection by pressing the [Control (OK)] button.
 - The camcorder applies the exposure value setting and the indicator () and setting value appear.
 - To cancel the adjusted exposure value manually, select **0** in Step 3.



Understanding EV (Exposure Value)

Exposure value is the total amount of light allowed to fall on the photographic media (Image sensor) during the process of taking photos or videos. The higher the number, the greater the exposure. For example, + 0.3 lets in more light than -0.3.



You can also set EV with the shortcut menu. ➞ page 27

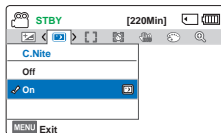
C.Nite

You can adjust the shutter speed when recording a slow moving object or a brighter image in dark places without compromising colours.




Select the recording () mode by pressing the [MODE] button. → page 26

- 1 Press the [MENU] button → [Control (Left/Right)] button → C.Nite.
- 2 Select the desired submenu item with the [Control (Up/Down)] button, and then press the [Control (OK)] button.
- 3 Press the [MENU] button to exit the menu.



Submenu Items

Items	Use	On-screen display
Off	To disable the function.	-
On	To record a brighter image by extending the low shutter speed range to 1/50 or 1/25.	



- When you use C.Nite, the image takes on a slow motion like effect. In addition, the focus adjusts slowly and white dots may appear on the screen. This is not a defect.
- When Video Resolution is set to **1280x720/25p**, the C.Nite function does not operate.

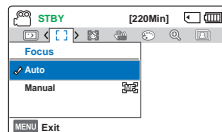
Focus

When you turn the camcorder on, focus is always set to automatic. You can also set the focus manually.




Select the recording () mode by pressing the [MODE] button. → page 26

- 1 Press the [MENU] button → [Control (Left/Right)] button → Focus.
- 2 Select the desired submenu item with the [Control (Up/Down)] button, and then press the [Control (OK)] button.
- 3 Press the [MENU] button to exit the menu.



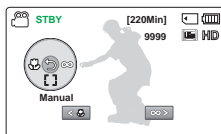
Submenu Items

Items	Use	On-screen display
Auto	In most situations, it is better to use the automatic focus feature, as it enables you to concentrate on the creative side of your recording.	-
Manual	To focus manually. Manual focusing may be necessary under certain conditions that make automatic focusing difficult or unreliable.	

Adjusting the focus manually

This camcorder automatically focuses subjects from close-up to infinity. However, the correct focus may not be obtained depending on the recording conditions. If this occurs, use the manual focus mode.

- 1 Press the **[Control (Up/Down)]** button to select **Manual**.
 - The manual focus adjustment indicator appears.
- 2 Press the **[Control (Left/Right)]** button to select the desired indicator to adjust focus, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.
 - The camcorder applies the manual focus setting and the (調) indicator appears.



Focusing on a nearer or farther subject

To focus on a nearer subject, press the **[Control (Left)]** button.
To focus on a further subject, press the **[Control (Right)]** button.

- The nearer or further icon (調/∞) appears between the indicators when focus adjustment reaches the end.
- The adjusted value is applied right after you press the **[Control (Left/Right)]** button to adjust the focus.

<Nearer subject>



<Further subject>



Examples of when to use the Manual focus mode

- When the subject is dark.
- When the background is too bright.
- When you view the subject through a window that is stained or wet.
- When the subject has dense horizontal or sloping stripes.
- When the subject is distant and behind a nearby wire fence.
- When you are shooting walls, the sky, or other low-contrast subjects.
- When the subject is emitting or reflecting strong light.
- When you are focusing on a subject near the boundary of the frame.



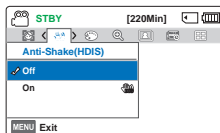
- You can also adjust the focus with the shortcut menu. ➡ page 27
- Manual focusing focuses on a point in the framed scene while auto focusing focuses on the centre area automatically.
- The Auto Focus (AF) setting is useful when you operate the zoom function because you might not be able to keep accurate focus after the zoom ratio has been changed.
- When **Zoom Type** is set to **Digital Zoom**, manual focusing will not focus accurately. Before focusing manually, check if the **Digital Zoom** is turned off. ➡ page 62

Anti-Shake(HDIS)


Use the Anti-Shake(HDIS) function to compensate for unstable images caused by shaking movements while holding the camcorder.

-  Select the recording () mode by pressing the [MODE] button. ➔ page 26

- 1 Press the [MENU] button → [Control (Left/Right)] button → **Anti-Shake(HDIS)**.
- 2 Select the desired submenu item with the [Control (Up/Down)] button, and then press the [Control (OK)] button.
- 3 Press the [MENU] button to exit the menu.



Submenu Items

Items	Use	On-screen display
Off	To disable the function.	-
On	To enable the Anti-Shake(HDIS) function to compensate for shaking movements.	



Use the Anti-Shake function in the following cases

- When recording while using the zoom extensively.
- When recording a close up picture of a small object.
- When recording while walking, or in a moving car.



- The camcorder automatically activates the **Anti-Shake(HDIS)** function in the Smart Auto mode.
- Gross camcorder shake may not be entirely corrected even if **Anti-Shake(HDIS)** is **On**. Hold the camcorder firmly with both hands.
- When this function is **On**, the actual movement of the subject and the movement displayed on the screen may be slightly different.
- When recording in dark lighting at high magnification while this function is **On**, after-images may stand out. If this occurs, we recommend using a tripod (not supplied) and turning **Anti-Shake(HDIS)** to **Off**.

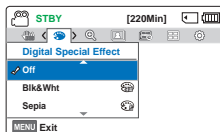
Digital Special Effect

Using the digital special effect function gives your recording a creative look.



Select the recording ( ) mode by pressing the [MODE] button. → page 26

- 1 Press the [MENU] button → [Control (Left/Right)] button → **Digital Special Effect.**
- 2 Select the desired submenu item with the [Control (Up/Down)] button, and then press the [Control (OK)] button.
- 3 Press the [MENU] button to exit the menu.



Examples of 7 digital effect options



Off

Disables the function.



Blk&Wht ()

This mode changes the image into black and white.



Sepia ()

This mode gives images a reddish brown cast.



Negative ()

This mode reverses the colours and the brightness and creates a negative effect.



Dazzle ()

This mode creates a brighter image by increasing colour saturation.



Noir ()

This mode creates a stronger image by increasing contrast.



Western ()

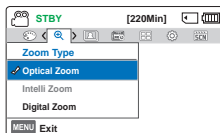
This mode creates a faded and old film vintage look.

Zoom Type

The camcorder offers three types of zoom: optical, intelligent, and digital zoom.

- ☒ Select the recording () mode by pressing the [MODE] button. [▶ page 26](#)

- 1 Press the [MENU] button → [Control (Left/Right)] button → **Zoom Type**.
- 2 Select the desired submenu item with the [Control (Up/Down)] button, and then press the [Control (OK)] button.
- 3 Press the [MENU] button to exit the menu.

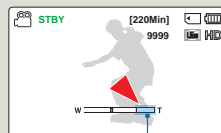


Submenu Items

Items	Use
Optical Zoom	To use optical zoom, up to 52X.
Intelli Zoom	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The camcorder zooms the full width of the image sensor to obtain a larger zoom range without any deterioration in image quality. • Intelli-zoom is available up to 70X.
Digital Zoom	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When this option is selected, the camcorder will automatically switch to the digital zoom if you zoom in beyond the optical or intelligent zoom range. • Digital zoom is available up to 130X.



Digital zoom range



The right side of the bar shows the digital zooming zone. The zooming zone appears when you move the [Zoom] lever or [Zoom] button.



- With digital zoom, the image is digitally processed more than it is in the intelli or optical zoom modes. As a result, the image resolution may deteriorate. The image quality may deteriorate depending on how much you zoom in on the subject.
- The zoom range will change depending on the aspect ratio of the video.

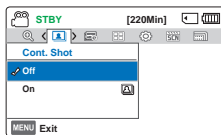
Cont. Shot

The Continuous Shot function allows you to capture photos in rapid succession and gives you more photo-taking opportunities when recording moving subjects.



Select the recording ( ) mode by pressing the [MODE] button. → page 26

- 1 Press the [MENU] button → [Control (Left/Right)] button → **Cont. Shot**.
- 2 Select the desired submenu item with the [Control (Up/Down)] button, and then press the [Control (OK)] button.
- 3 Press the [MENU] button to exit the menu.



Submenu Items

Items	Use	On-screen display
Off	To record only one photo image.	-
On	While you are pressing the [PHOTO] button, the camcorder can take up to 30 photos continuously.	



- The number of recordable photos depends on the photo's resolution and the memory space available.
- If an error occurs (Card full, etc.) during continuous shot, the recording stops and an error message appears.

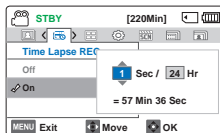
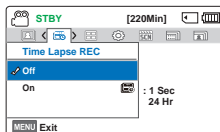
Time Lapse REC

Using the Time Lapse feature, you can programme your camcorder to create a time lapse video by recording a series of frames over a set period of time with a set time interval between each frame. The Time Lapse feature lets you create time lapse videos of blooming flowers and similar subjects.



- Select the recording () mode by pressing the [MODE] button. ➔ page 26
- To record in the Time Lapse REC mode, you must set the recording interval between frames (Interval) using the menu.

- 1 Press the [MENU] button → [Control (Left/Right)] button → **Time Lapse REC**.
- 2 Press the [Control (Up/Down)] button to select **On**, then press the [Control (OK)] button.
 - The recording interval and total recording time items appear.
- 3 Set the desired recording interval (Sec) with [Control (Up/Down)] button.



- 4 Move to the next setting (**Hr**) by pressing the [Control (Left/Right)] button, and then set the desired total recording time in the same way.
- 5 Press the [Control (OK)] button to finish the setting, and then press the [MENU] button to exit the menu.
- 6 After setting the Time Lapse REC mode, press the [Recording start/stop] button.
 - The Time Lapse REC starts.

Submenu items

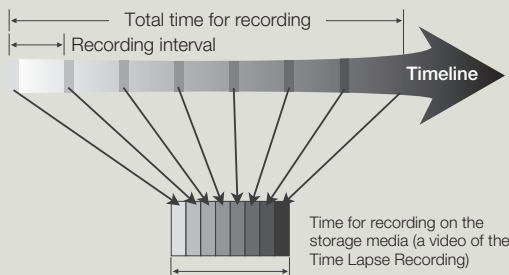
Items	Use	On-screen display
Off	To disable the function.	-
On	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interval (Sec): To set the time interval between image captures. 1 → 3 → 5 → 10 → 15 → 30 (Seconds) REC Limit (Hr): To set the total time of recording. 24 → 48 → 72 → ∞ (Hours) 	



During Time Lapse recording, the **C.Nite** function does not work.



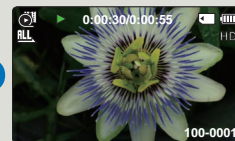
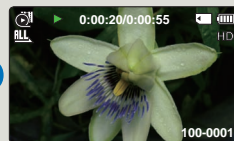
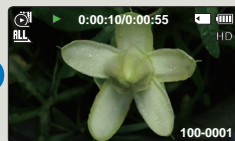
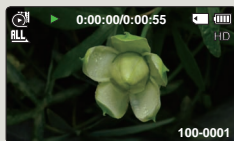
Example of Time Lapse Recording



The Time Lapse Recording function records image frames at a predefined interval over the total recording time to produce a time-lapse video.

Time Lapse Recording is useful for filming the following subjects:

- Blooming flowers
- A bird building a nest
- Clouds rolling by in the sky



- Time Lapse Recording mode is released once recording has been finished. To start another Time Lapse Recording, repeat steps 1 to 6 on the previous page.
- Depending on the video resolution, 50 or 25 captured images compose a video of 1 second length. Since the minimum length of a video that your camcorder can save is one second, the interval defines the total minimum recording time for the Time Lapse Recording. For example, if you set the interval to **30 Sec**, you need to set the recording time to at least 25 minutes for a 50 frames per second resolution or 13 minutes for a 25 frames per second resolution to record a video 1 second long.
- Press the **[Recording start/stop]** button if you want to stop the Time Lapse Recording.
- Audio is not recorded during time lapse recording.
- The maximum continuous recording time is under 20 minutes. The maximum video file size is 1.8GB. When a video recording time is more than 20 minutes or a video file exceeds 1.8GB, a new video file is created automatically.
- If the battery charge is exhausted during time lapse recording, the camcorder saves recording up to that point and switches to standby mode. After a while, it displays a warning message, then turns off automatically.
- If the storage media becomes full during time lapse recording, the camcorder switches to the standby mode after saving the recording up to the maximum memory available.
- We recommend using the power adaptor for a Time Lapse Recording instead of the battery.
- When a time lapse recording starts, the Time Lapse Recording message will blink even if you switch the information display mode to the minimum display mode. This is normal operation. Do not remove the power source or memory card from the camcorder.

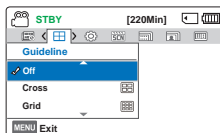
Guideline

This camcorder provides 3 types of guidelines to help you to set up a balanced image composition on the screen.






Select the recording () mode by pressing the [MODE] button.  page 26

- 1 Press the [MENU] button → [Control (Left/Right)] button → **Guideline**.
- 2 Select the desired submenu item with the [Control (Up/Down)] button, and then press the [Control (OK)] button.
- 3 Press the [MENU] button to exit the menu.



Submenu Items

Items	Use	On-screen display
Off	To cancel the guideline function.	-
Cross	Use when focusing a subject in the centre.	
Grid	Use when recording a subject in a horizontal or vertical composition or shooting with the tele macro function.	
Safety Zone	Positioning subjects within the Safety Zone rectangle ensures they will be recorded.	




- Positioning a subject at the cross point of a guideline provides a balanced composition.
- Guidelines are not recorded.

Advanced playback

Thumbnail View Option

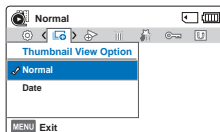
The Thumbnail View Option lets you sort thumbnails of the recorded videos or photos by different display options.



- Press the **[MODE]** button to select the playback () mode.
↳ page 26
- Select the video or photo thumbnail view. ↳ page 42

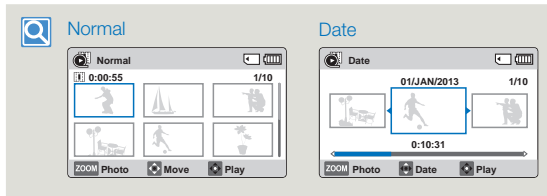
- 1 Press the **[MENU]** button → **[Control (Left/Right)]** button → **Thumbnail View Option**.

- 2 Select the desired submenu item with the **[Control (Up/Down)]** button, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.



Submenu Items

Items	Use
Normal	To display the file thumbnails in the order in which the files were recorded.
Date	To sort the file thumbnails by the date the files were recorded.



This function is available in thumbnail view only.

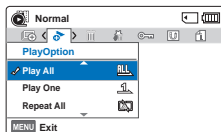
PlayOption

You can play back one video or all videos once, or play back one video or all videos repeatedly.



- Press the **[MODE]** button to select the playback (▶) mode.
→ page 26
- Select the video thumbnail view. → page 42

- Press the **[MENU]** button → **[Control (Left/Right)]** button → **PlayOption**.
- Select the desired submenu item with the **[Control (Up/Down)]** button, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.
- Press the **[MENU]** button to exit the menu.



Submenu Items

Items	Use	On-screen display
Play All	To play back from the selected video to the last video.	
Play One	To play back the selected video only once.	
Repeat All	To play back all videos repeatedly.	
Repeat One	To play back the selected video repeatedly.	

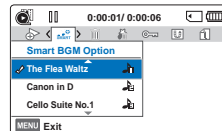
Smart BGM Option

You can play back a video with background music. The Smart BGM Option lets you select the music that will play.



- Press the **[MODE]** button to select the playback (▶) mode.
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- This function is available in the video single view only.

- Press **[MENU]** button → **[Control (Left/Right)]** button → **Smart BGM Option**.
- Select the desired submenu item with the **[Control (Up/Down)]** button, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.
- Press the **[MENU]** button to exit the menu.
 - To play back the selected background music with a video, press the **[SMART BGM]** button when the video plays back. To stop the background music, press the **[SMART BGM]** button again.



Submenu Items

Items	Use
The Flea Waltz	To play back The Flea Waltz.
Canon in D	To play back Canon in D.
Cello Suite No.1	To play back Cello Suite No.1.
Nocturne	To play back Nocturne.
Random	To play back from The Flea Waltz to Nocturne randomly.



When you change background music by pressing the **[MENU]** button while the video is playing back, the video will be paused. Press the **[Control (OK)]** button to play back the paused video again with the changed background music.

Using external songs as background music (Smart BGM II)

You can play songs you have saved to a memory card as background music as well as the songs stored in the camcorder's memory and available through the Smart BMG option.

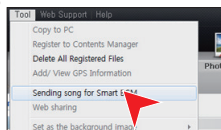


- Insert a memory card.
- Prepare external songs for background music.

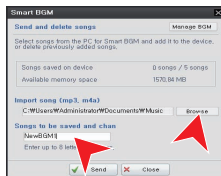
To set external songs as background music

You should convert your songs to a compatible format using the Intelli-studio programme built in your camcorder to be recognised by the camcorder.

- 1 Connect the camcorder to a PC with the USB cable to run the Intelli-studio programme. ➔ page 85
- 2 Click **Tool** on the Intelli-studio screen → **Sending song for Smart BGM**.



- 3 Click **Browse** on the Smart BGM screen to select the desired song.



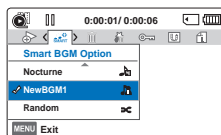
- 4 Change the song's name to be recognised by the camcorder, and then click **Send** → **Yes**.

- The song is converted to the m4a file and transferred into the memory card in the camcorder.

- 5 When the transferring finishes, click **OK**.

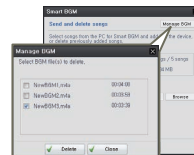
- You can save up to 5 converted songs into the memory card in the camcorder.

- 6 The song saved into the memory card appears on the **Smart BGM Option** menu in video playback mode. ➔ page 68



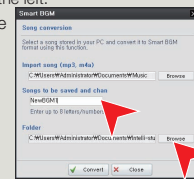
To delete the external songs in the memory card

You can delete the external songs from **Manage BGM** in the Smart BGM screen or from the BGM folder in the memory card.



In the case of the camcorder sold in Europe, you should save external songs as follows.

- 1 Follows steps 1~3 as the figure on the left.
- 2 Change the external song's name
→ select a location to save it → click **Convert** → **Yes**.
 - The BGM folder is automatically created in the selected location, and then the external song is converted to the m4a file and saved in the BGM folder.
- 3 Connect a memory card to your PC → copy the BGM folder (including converted external songs) from the PC to the memory card → disconnect the memory card from the PC, and then insert it to the camcorder.
- 4 On the **Smart BGM Option** menu in video playback mode, select an external song as background music.



To delete the external songs in the memory card

- 1 Eject the memory card from the camcorder, and then connect it to your PC.
- 2 Delete the desired external songs from the BGM folder.



- The camcorder can recognise the external songs converted by the Intelli-studio programme only.
- The file formats of external songs to be converted by the Intelli-studio programme are mp3 and m4a formats.
- External songs are saved into the BGM folder in the memory card.
- If you transfer the converted m4a files into the BGM folder in the memory card, you can use them as Smart BGM.

Delete

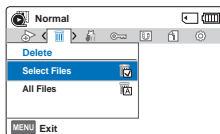
You can erase your recordings one by one or all at once.



- Press the **[MODE]** button to select the playback () mode. ➡ page 26
- Select the video or photo thumbnail view. ➡ page 42

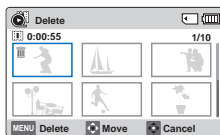
1 Press the **[MENU]** button → **[Control (Left/Right)]** button → **Delete**.

2 Select an option by pressing the **[Control (Up/Down)]** button, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.



3 If you selected **Select Files**, image thumbnails appear.

- Use the **[Control (Up/Down/Left/Right)]** button to move to the photo or video you want to delete.
- Press the **[Control (OK)]** button to mark images for deletion. The garbage can icon () appears on the photo or video.
- Repeat Steps **a** and **b** for each photo or video you want to delete.
- Press the **[MENU]** button to delete the photos and videos you selected.
- The message corresponding to the selected option appears. Use the **[Control (Left/Right)]** button to select **Yes**, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.



4 If you selected **All Files**, the message corresponding to the selected option appears. Use the **[Control (Left/Right)]** button to select **Yes**, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.

Submenu Items

Items	Use
Select Files	To delete selected videos or photos.
All Files	To delete all videos or photos, except for the protected files.



- Deleted images cannot be recovered.
- Do not remove the power adaptor or memory card while deleting files, otherwise the storage media may be damaged.



- You can also delete your recordings in single view.
- To protect important images from accidental deletion, activate image protection. ➡ page 72
- Protected images cannot be deleted. To delete a protected image, cancel the protect function first. ➡ page 72
- If the write protection tab on a memory card is set to lock, you cannot delete.
- You can also format the storage media to delete all the images at once. Be aware that all files and data including protected files will be erased. ➡ page 80
- The Delete function does not operate if the battery charge is insufficient. We recommend you use the power adaptor to avoid power-loss while deleting.

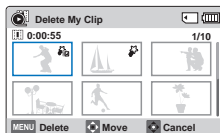
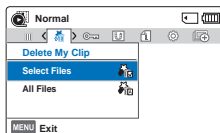
Delete My Clip

You can delete the My Clip tag from a video tagged as 'My Clip'.



- Press the [MODE] button to select the playback (▶) mode.
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- Select the video thumbnail view. → page 42

- Press the [MENU] button → [Control (Left/Right)] button → **Delete My Clip**.
- Select an option by pressing the [Control (Up/Down)] button, and then press the [Control (OK)] button.
- If you selected **Select Files**, image thumbnails appear.
 - Use the [Control (Up/Down/Left/Right)] button to move to a video tagged as My Clip (🗑️).
 - Press the [Control (OK)] button. The garbage can icon (🗑️) appears on the video.
 - Repeat Steps a) and b) for each video tagged as My Clip (🗑️).
 - Press the [MENU] button to delete all tags from the videos you selected.
 - The message corresponding to the selected option appears. Use the [Control (Left/Right)] button to select **Yes**, and then press the [Control (OK)] button.



- If you selected **All Files**, the message corresponding to the selected option appears. Use the [Control (Left/Right)] button to select **Yes**, and then press the [Control (OK)] button.

Submenu Items

Items	Use
Select Files	To delete the My Clip tags from selected videos.
All Files	To delete the My Clip tags from all videos.



Deleted My Clip tags cannot be recovered.



You can also delete the My Clip tags from videos in single view.

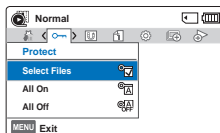
Protect

You can protect important saved videos or photos from accidental deletion. You cannot delete protected images unless you release the protection or format the memory.



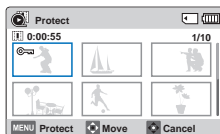
- Press the [MODE] button to select the playback () mode. ➔ page 26
- Select the video or photo thumbnail view. ➔ page 42

- Press the [MENU] button → [Control (Left/Right)] button → **Protect**.



- Select an option by pressing the [Control (Up/Down)] button, and then press the [Control (OK)] button.

- If you selected **Select Files**, image thumbnails appear.



- Use the [Control (Up/Down/Left/Right)] button to move to the photo or video you want to protect.
- Press the [Control (OK)] button to mark images for protection. The key icon () appears on the photo or video.
- Repeat Steps a) and b) for each photo or video you want to protect.
- Press the [MENU] button to protect the photos and videos you selected.
- The message corresponding to the selected option appears. Use the [Control (Left/Right)] button to select **Yes**, and then press the [Control (OK)] button.

- If you selected **All On**, the message corresponding to the selected option appears. Use the [Control (Left/Right)] button to select **Yes**, and then press the [Control (OK)] button.
- If you selected **All Off**, the message corresponding to the selected option appears. Use the [Control (Left/Right)] button to select **Yes**, and then press the [Control (OK)] button.

Submenu Items

Items	Use
Select Files	To protect selected videos or photos from deletion.
All On	To protect all videos or photos.
All Off	To cancel the protection for all videos or photos.




- You can also protect your recordings in single view.
- If the write protection tab on a memory card is set to lock, you cannot set image protection. ➔ page 31

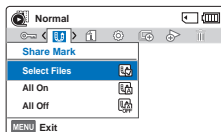
Share Mark

You can set the share mark on a video and directly upload the marked file to the YouTube site.



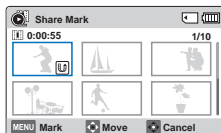
- Press the **[MODE]** button to select the playback () mode.
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- Select the video thumbnail view. → page 42


- Press the **[MENU]** button → **[Control (Left/Right)]** button → **Share Mark**.



- Select an option by pressing the **[Control (Up/Down)]** button, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.

- If you selected **Select Files**, image thumbnails appear.



- Use the **[Control (Up/Down/Left/Right)]** button to move to the video you want to share mark.
- Press the **[Control (OK)]** button to select each video you want to share mark. The share mark icon () appears on the video.
- Repeat Steps **a**) and **b**) for each video you want to share mark.
- Press the **[MENU]** button to mark the videos you want to share.
- The message corresponding to the selected option appears. Use the **[Control (Left/Right)]** button to select **Yes**, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.

- If you selected **All On**, the message corresponding to the selected option appears. Use the **[Control (Left/Right)]** button to select **Yes**, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.
- If you selected **All Off**, the message corresponding to the selected option appears. Use the **[Control (Left/Right)]** button to select **Yes**, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.

Submenu Items


Items	Use
Select Files	To set the share mark selected videos.
All On	To set the share mark all videos.
All Off	To remove the share mark from all marked videos all at once.

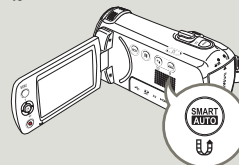


- You can also set the share mark on your videos in the single image display mode.
- By using the Intelli-studio software embedded in the camcorder, you can easily upload videos marked with share marks. → page 90
- When uploading a video file to a web site such as YouTube, the one-time upload maximum is 14 minutes 59 seconds.



Using the Share () button

You can set the share mark on a video by simply pressing the **[Share ()]** button.



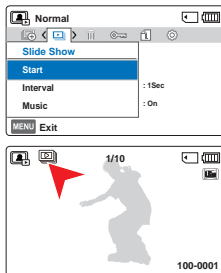
Slide Show

You can enjoy a slide show with various effects.



- Press the **[MODE]** button to select the playback () mode.
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- Select the photo thumbnail view.
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- Press the **[MENU]** button → **[Control (Left/Right)]** button → **Slide Show**.
- Select an option by pressing the **[Control (Up/Down)]** button, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.
- Press the **[MENU]** button to exit the menu.



Submenu Items

Items	Use
Start	To start a slide show from the current image. - The indicator () appears. - To stop the slide show, press the [Control (OK)] button again. - To return to the thumbnail view, move the [Zoom] lever.
Interval	Continuously plays back photos at the interval you select. You can choose 1sec or 3sec .
Music	You can turn the internal background music on or off. This camcorder has 4 default background melodies stored in the boot-up flash memory. If the music is on when the slide show starts, the 4 melodies will play back in shuffle mode.

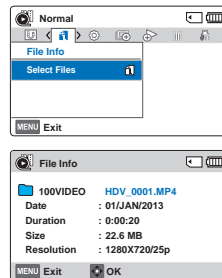
File Info

You can see the image information for photos and videos.



- Press the **[MODE]** button to select the playback () mode.
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- Press the **[MENU]** button → **[Control (Left/Right)]** button → **File Info** → **[Control (OK)]** button.
 - The file selection screen appears.
- Select the desired video or photo by pressing the **[Control (Up/Down/Left/Right)]** button, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.
 - The following information for the selected file appears:
 - Date
 - Duration (Video only)
 - Size
 - Resolution
- Press the **[MENU]** button to exit the menu.

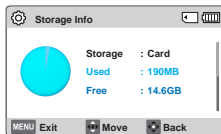


Other settings

Storage Info

Storage Info displays the storage information for the storage media.

- 1 Press the **[MENU]** button → **[Control (Left/Right)]** button → **Settings** → **[Control (Up/Down)]** button → **Storage Info** → **[Control (OK)]** button.
 - Press the **[Control (Up/Down)]** button to move the screen up or down and view additional information.
 - You can check the used memory, available memory, and the available recordable time for each recording resolution.
- 2 Press the **[MENU]** button to exit the menu.

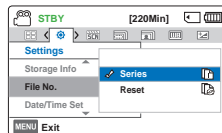
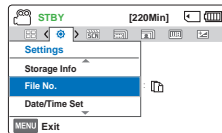


- If there is no storage media inserted, it cannot be selected and will be dimmed on the menu.
- The actual capacity may be less than the capacity displayed on the LCD screen as the camcorder's system files occupy a part of the capacity.

File No.

The camcorder assigns file numbers to recorded files in the order they were recorded. Use File No. to continue or reset the current file number sequence.

- 1 Press the **[MENU]** button → **[Control (Left/Right)]** button → **Settings** → **[Control (Up/Down)]** button → **File No.** → **[Control (OK)]** button.
- 2 Select the desired submenu item with the **[Control (Up/Down)]** button, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.
- 3 To exit the menu, press the **[MENU]** button.



Submenu Items

Items	Use
Series	Assigns file numbers in sequence even if you have inserted a different memory card, formatted the card, or deleted all files. The file number is reset only when a new folder is created.
Reset	Resets the file number to 0001.

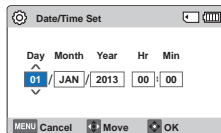
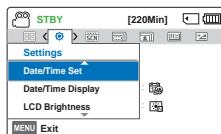



When you set **File No.** to **Series**, each file is assigned a different number to avoid duplicating file names. It is convenient when you want to manage your files on a computer.

Date/Time Set

By setting the date and time, you can display the date and time of a recording during playback.

- 1 Press the **[MENU]** button → **[Control (Left/Right)]** button → **Settings** → **[Control (Up/Down)]** button → **Date/Time Set** → **[Control (OK)]** button.
- 2 Select the date or time information, and change the setting values by pressing the **[Control (Up/Down/Left/Right)]** button.
- 3 Make sure the clock is correctly set, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.

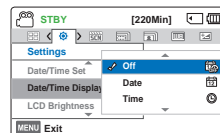
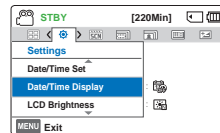


 The year can be set up to 2037.

Date/Time Display


You can set whether or not the date and/or time appear on the LCD screen.

- 1 Press the **[MENU]** button → **[Control (Left/Right)]** button → **Settings** → **[Control (Up/Down)]** button → **Date/Time Display** → **[Control (OK)]** button.
- 2 Select the desired submenu and menu item with the **[Control (Up/Down)]** button, and then press **[Control (OK)]** button.
- 3 Press the **[MENU]** button to exit the menu.
 - The date/time appears on the LCD screen according to the selected option.



Submenu Items

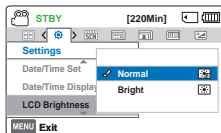
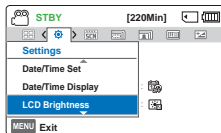
Items	Use	On-screen display
Off	To not display the current date/time.	-
Date	To display the current date.	01/JAN/2013
Time	To display the current time.	00:00
Date & Time	To display the current date and time.	01/JAN/2013 00:00

 When the internal battery is depleted, the date/time will read **01/JAN/2013 00:00**.

LCD Brightness

You can adjust the brightness of the LCD screen to compensate for ambient lighting conditions.

- 1 Press the **[MENU]** button → **[Control (Left/Right)]** button → **Settings** → **[Control (Up/Down)]** button → **LCD Brightness** → **[Control (OK)]** button.
- 2 Select the desired submenu and menu item with the **[Control (Up/Down)]** button, and then press **[Control (OK)]** button.
- 3 Press the **[MENU]** button to exit the menu.



Submenu Items

Items	Use
Normal	Standard brightness.
Bright	Brightens the LCD screen.

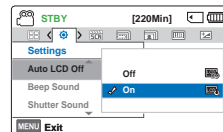
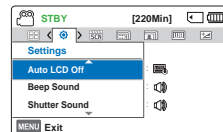


- If the surrounding is too bright, adjust the brightness of the LCD screen.
- Adjusting the LCD screen does not affect the image being recorded.
- A brighter LCD screen consumes more power.

Auto LCD Off

To reduce power consumption, the brightness of the LCD screen is automatically dimmed if the camcorder is idle for more than 2 minutes.

- 1 Press the **[MENU]** button → **[Control (Left/Right)]** button → **Settings** → **[Control (Up/Down)]** button → **Auto LCD Off** → **[Control (OK)]** button.
- 2 Select the desired submenu item with the **[Control (Up/Down)]** button, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.
- 3 Press the **[MENU]** button to exit the menu.



Submenu Items

Items	Use
Off	To disable the function.
On	When the camcorder is idle for more than 2 minutes in the STBY mode, or for more than 5 minutes when recording a video, the power saving mode starts and dims the LCD screen.

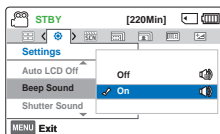
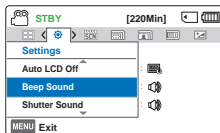


- When the **Auto LCD Off** function is enabled, you can press any button on the camcorder to return LCD brightness to normal.
- Auto LCD Off will be disabled in the following situation:
 - If the power cable (Power adaptor, USB cable) is connected.

Beep Sound


When Beep Sound is on, the camcorder sounds a beep when you press a button.

- 1 Press the **[MENU]** button → **[Control (Left/Right)]** button → **Settings** → **[Control (Up/Down)]** button → **Beep Sound** → **[Control (OK)]** button.
- 2 Select the desired submenu item with the **[Control (Up/Down)]** button, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.
- 3 Press the **[MENU]** button to exit the menu.



Submenu Items

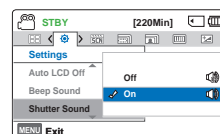
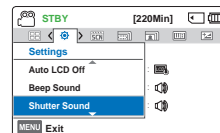
Items	Use
Off	Disables the function.
On	To have the camcorder beep every time you press a button.

-  The Beep Sound function is suspended in the following situations:
- During recording and playback
 - During a pause while recording
 - When the camcorder has a cable connection. (AV cable, micro HDMI cable, etc.)

Shutter Sound

You can turn the shutter sound the camcorder emits when you press the **[PHOTO]** button on or off.

- 1 Press the **[MENU]** button → **[Control (Left/Right)]** button → **Settings** → **[Control (Up/Down)]** button → **Shutter Sound** → **[Control (OK)]** button.
- 2 Select the desired submenu item with the **[Control (Up/Down)]** button, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.
- 3 Press the **[MENU]** button to exit the menu.



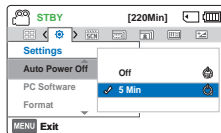
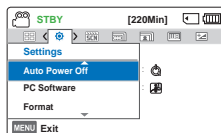
Submenu Items

Items	Use
Off	To turn the shutter sound off.
On	To turn the shutter sound on. It will sound when you press the [PHOTO] button.

Auto Power Off

You can set your camcorder to turn off automatically if it is idle for 5 minutes without an operation. This function will prevent unnecessary power consumption.

- 1 Press the **[MENU]** button → **[Control (Left/Right)]** button → **Settings** → **[Control (Up/Down)]** button → **Auto Power Off** → **[Control (OK)]** button.
- 2 Select the desired submenu item with the **[Control (Up/Down)]** button, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.
- 3 Press the **[MENU]** button to exit the menu.



Submenu Items

Items	Use
Off	To disable the function.
5 Min	The camcorder turns off if idle for 5 minutes without performing an operation.

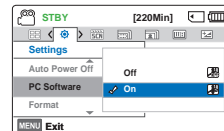
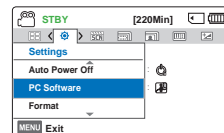


- Auto Power Off does not work in the following situations:
 - If the power cable (Power adaptor, USB cable) is connected.
 - While the following functions are in operation: **Delete: All Files**, **Protect: All On**.
 - While recording, playing back (except when paused), or playing back a photo slide show.
- To operate the camcorder again, press the **[Power (⏻)]** button.

PC Software

If you set PC Software to On, you can use the built-in PC software easily by connecting a USB cable between the camcorder and your PC. Using the software, you can download stored video and photo images on the camcorder to your PC's hard disk. You can also edit video and photo files using the PC software.

- 1 Press the **[MENU]** button → **[Control (Left/Right)]** button → **Settings** → **[Control (Up/Down)]** button → **PC Software** → **[Control (OK)]** button.
- 2 Select the desired submenu item with the **[Control (Up/Down)]** button, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.
- 3 Press the **[MENU]** button to exit the menu.



Submenu Items

Items	Use
Off	To disable the function.
On	To launch the built-in editing software when you connect the camcorder to a PC with a USB cable.



The PC Software is compatible with Windows operating systems only.

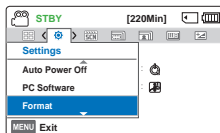
Format

Use the Format function if you want to delete all files completely or to correct problems on the storage media.



Insert a memory card. ➔ page 30

- 1 Press the **[MENU]** button → **[Control (Left/Right)]** button → **Settings** → **[Control (Up/Down)]** button → **Format** → **[Control (OK)]** button.



- 2 Select **Yes** by pressing the **[Control(Left/Right)]** button, and then press the **[Control (OK)]** button.



- Do not remove the memory card or perform any other operation (such as turning off the power) during formatting. Also, be sure to use the provided power adaptor, as the recording media may be corrupted if the battery becomes exhausted during formatting.
- If the storage media becomes corrupted, format it again.

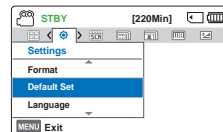


- Do not format the storage media on a PC or other device. Make sure to format the storage media on this camcorder.
- Format the memory card in the following situations:
 - Before using a new memory card
 - If the memory card was formatted on other devices
 - If the memory card was used to record on other devices
 - If the camcorder cannot read the memory card
- A memory card with the protection tab set to lock can not be formatted.
- If there is no storage media inserted, it cannot be selected and will be dimmed in the menu.
- You cannot format when the battery power is insufficient. We recommend you use the power adaptor to avoid loss of power while formatting.

Default Set

You can restore all menu settings to their defaults.

- 1 Press the **[MENU]** button → **[Control (Left/Right)]** button → **Settings** → **[Control (Up/Down)]** button → **Default Set** → **[Control (OK)]** button.
- 2 Select **Yes** if you want all the settings returned to the defaults.



- Do not turn off the power while using this function.
- After resetting the camcorder, reset the **Date/Time Set**. ➔ page 25
- The Default Set function does not affect the files recorded on the storage media.

Language

You can select a desired language to display the menu and messages in. ➔ page 29

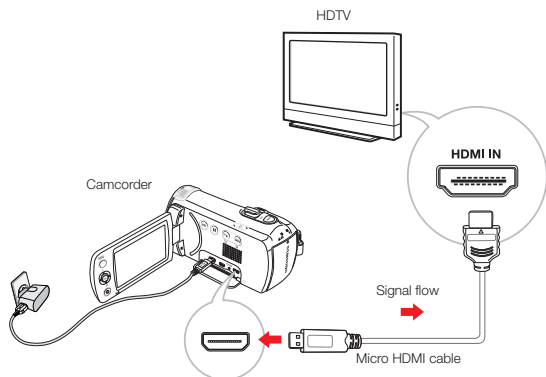
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Connecting to a TV

CONNECTING TO A HIGH DEFINITION TV WITH HDMI

You can view High Definition (HD) quality videos recorded in HD resolution on an HDTV using an HDMI connection. This camcorder supports HDMI output to deliver high-definition video transfer.



Using a micro HDMI cable

- 1 Turn on the camcorder.
 - If you do not turn on the camcorder first, the camcorder may fail to recognise the connected TV.
- 2 Connect the camcorder to the TV with a micro HDMI cable.
- 3 Set the TV's input or source selector to the HDMI input you've attached the camcorder to.
 - Refer to the TV's instruction manual to see how to select the TV's input or source.
- 4 Start to play back images. ➔page 42



Understanding the HDMI

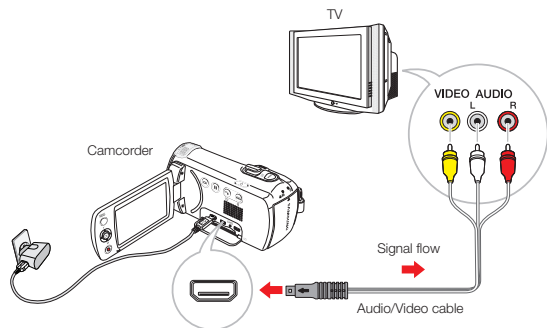
HDMI (High Definition Multimedia Interface) is a compact audio/video interface for transmitting uncompressed digital data.



- You can use only a D to A type micro HDMI cable with this camcorder.
- The HDMI jack on the camcorder is for output only.
- Use only HDMI 1.3 cable when connecting to the HDMI jack of this camcorder. If the camcorder is connected with HDMI cables that are not version 1.3, the screen display may not work.

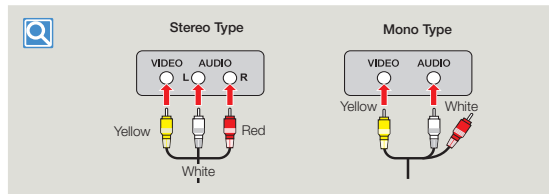
CONNECTING TO A REGULAR TV

You can view images recorded with your camcorder on a regular TV that supports standard definition. This camcorder supports the composite output for standard definition video transfer.



Connecting an Audio/Video cable for the composite output





- 1 Connect the camcorder to a TV with an Audio/Video cable.
 - Turn on the camcorder, and then connect an Audio/Video cable. If you do not turn on the camcorder first, the camcorder may fail to recognise the connected TV.
- 2 Set the TV's input or source selector to the input you've attached the camcorder to.
 - Refer to the TV's instruction manual to see how to select the TV input.
- 3 Start to play back images. ➡ page 42



- When you connect the camcorder to a TV, the LCD screen of the camcorder turns off automatically.
- Make sure you've connected the camcorder to the correct input jacks. The TV screen may not display the right image information if connected incorrectly.
- Do not use excessive force when connecting the cables.
- We recommend you use the power adaptor as the power source.
- When connecting to a TV using the Audio/Video cable, match the colour of the cables to the colour of the corresponding jacks.
- Video input may appear green depending on the TV. If this occurs, connect the yellow plug of the Audio/Video cable to the green jack of the TV.
- If your TV has one audio jack (mono input), connect the yellow plug of the Audio/Video cable to the video jack, the white plug to the audio jack, and leave the red plug unconnected.
- When you connect the camcorder to a TV using the Audio/Video cable, images recorded in high definition image quality (1280x720/25p) play back in standard definition image quality.
- When the camcorder is connected to a TV with more than one kind of cable, the camcorder outputs video signals in the following order of priority: HDMI → Audio/Video (composite) output

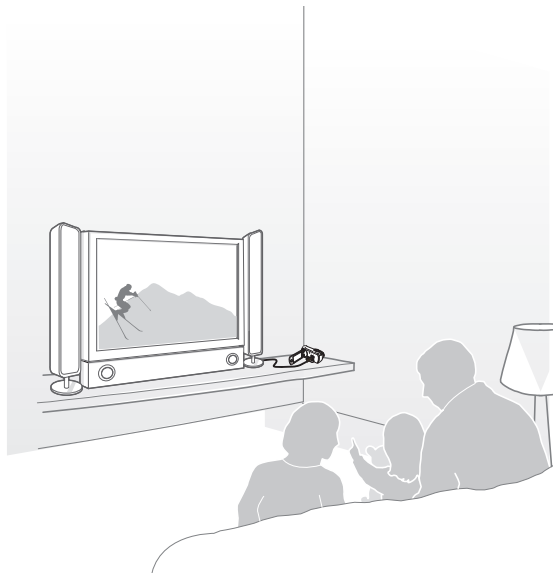
VIEWING ON A TV SCREEN

Image display depending on LCD and TV screen ratio

Recording ratio	Appearance on Wide Screen (16:9) TV	Appearance on 4:3 TV
Images recorded in a 16:9 ratio		
Images recorded in a 4:3 ratio		



Adjust the volume to a moderate level. If the volume is too high, the video may include noise.



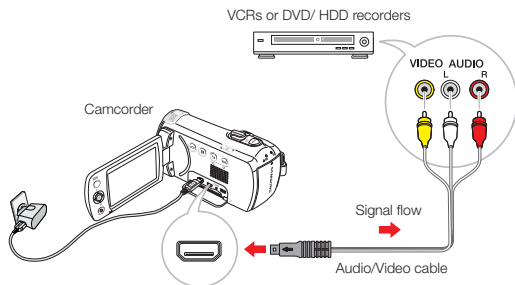
Dubbing videos

DUBBING TO VCR OR DVD/HDD RECORDERS

You can dub images recorded on your camcorder to other recording devices, such as VCRs or DVD/HDD recorders.



- Videos are dubbed to the other recording devices via analogue data transfer (composite connection). Use the supplied Audio/Video cable.
- Use the power adaptor to power the camcorder when you dub to a VCR or DVD/HDD recorder.



- 1 Insert the storage media into the recording device.
- 2 Connect your camcorder to the recording device (VCR or DVD/HDD recorders) with the supplied Audio/Video cable.
- 3 Start recording on the recording device, and then start playback on the camcorder.
 - Refer to the instruction manuals supplied with your recording device for details.
- 4 When dubbing finishes, stop the recording device, and then your camcorder.



- Videos recorded on this camcorder can only be dubbed using the Audio/Video cable in SD (standard definition) image quality, regardless of the recording resolution (HD/SD).
- To copy a video recorded in HD (high definition) image quality, use the built-in software of your camcorder, and then copy the video to your computer. ➔ page 86
- Since dubbing is performed via analogue data transfer, the image quality may deteriorate.
- To record the date/time, display it on the LCD screen. ➔ page 76

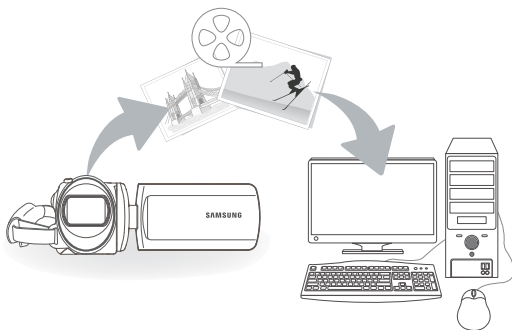
Using with a windows computer

WHAT YOU CAN DO WITH A WINDOWS COMPUTER

You can perform the functions listed below by connecting your camcorder to your Windows computer with a USB cable and using the Intelli-studio editing software built into your camcorder.

Main Functions

- Intelli-studio editing software's main functions
 - Playing back recorded videos or photos.
 - Editing recorded videos or photos.
 - Uploading the recorded videos and photos to YouTube, Flickr or Facebook, etc.
- You can transfer or copy the files (videos and photos) saved on the storage media into your computer.



System Requirements

Your computer must meet the following requirements to run Intelli-studio:

Items	System Requirements
OS	Microsoft Windows XP SP2, Windows Vista, Windows 7, or higher
CPU	Intel® Core 2 Duo® 1.66 GHz or higher is recommended AMD Athlon™ X2 Dual-Core 2.2 GHz or higher is recommended (Notebook: Intel Core2 Duo 2.2GHz or AMD Athlon X2 Dual-Core 2.6GHz or higher is recommended)
RAM	1GB or higher is recommended
Video Card	NVIDIA GeForce 8500 GT or higher, ATI Radeon HD 2600 series or higher
Display	1024 x 768, 16-bit colour or higher (1280 x 1024, 32-bit colour recommended)
USB	USB 2.0
Direct X	DirectX 9.0c or higher
Recommended Memory Card (Installed in Camcorder)	6MB/s (Class 6) or above



- System requirements mentioned above are recommendations. Even on a system that satisfies the requirements, Intelli-studio may not operate optimally.
- On a slower than recommended computer, video playback may skip frames or operate in an unexpected manner.
- If the version of DirectX on your computer is lower than 9.0c, install DirectX 9.0c or higher.
- We recommended you transfer recorded videos to a PC before playing back or editing the videos.
- To run Intelli-studio, a laptop computer requires faster and better components than a desktop PC.
- Intelli-studio is not Mac OS compliant.
- On 64-bit environment of Windows XP, Windows Vista, and Windows 7, Intelli-studio may be installed and work as 32-bit programme.

USING THE Intelli-studio PROGRAMME

Intelli-studio is a built-in programme that allows you to play back and edit files. You can upload files to web sites, such as YouTube or Flickr.

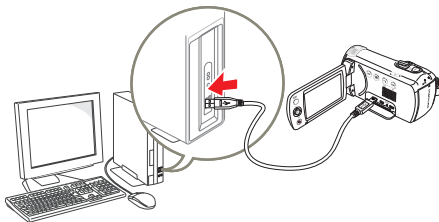
Step 1. Connecting the USB cable

1 Set **PC Software to On**.

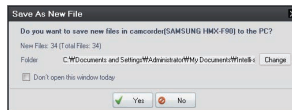
- This is the default setting.

2 Connect the camcorder to a PC with the USB cable.

- A new file saving window appears along with the Intelli-studio main window. If your camcorder has no new files, the pop-up window for saving new files will not appear.
- Depending on your version of Windows, the Windows removable disk window may also appear.



- 3 Click **Yes** in the new file saving window. The uploading procedure starts. Click **Yes** to confirm.
- If you do not want to save any new files, select **No**.



To disconnect the USB cable

To disconnect the USB cable after completing the file transfer, you must follow these steps:



1. Click the **Safely Remove Hardware** icon on the taskbar.
2. Select **USB Mass Storage Device**, and then click **Stop**.
3. If the **Stop a Hardware device** window appears, click **OK**.
4. Disconnect the USB cable from the camcorder and PC.



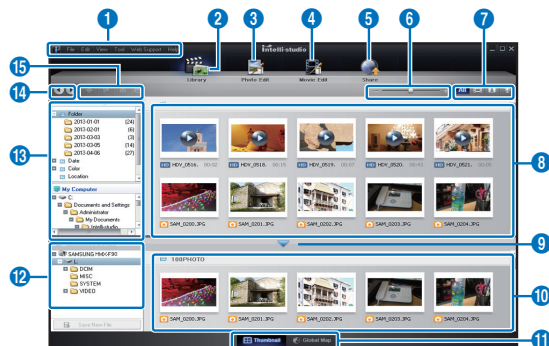
- Use the provided USB cable. (Supplied by Samsung)
- Make sure you insert the USB plug into the USB jack with the plug oriented in the correct direction.
- When the USB cable is connected, turning the camcorder on or off may cause the PC to malfunction.
- If you disconnect the USB cable from the PC or the camcorder while transferring files, data transmission will stop and the data may be damaged.
- If you connect the camcorder to a PC via a USB HUB or simultaneously connect the camcorder along with other USB devices, the camcorder may not work properly. If this occurs, remove all USB devices from the PC, and then reconnect the camcorder.
- Intelli-studio may not automatically run. If this occurs, access My Computer or Windows Explorer, open the drive that corresponds to your camcorder, find Intelli-studio, and then run iStudio.exe.

Step 2. About the Intelli-studio main window

When the Intelli-studio starts up, video and photo thumbnails appear in the main window.



For details, select **Help** → **Help** on the Intelli-studio screen.



- If you install Intelli-studio on your PC, the programme will launch more quickly. To install the programme, select **Tool** → **Install Intelli-studio on PC**.
- You can update the latest version of Intelli-studio software by clicking on **Web Support** → **Update Intelli-studio** → **Start Update**.
- The camcorder's built-in Intelli-studio software is intended for home use. It is not for precision or industrial productions. For these applications, we recommend an editing software designed for professional use.

No.	Description
1	Menu items
2	Display files in the selected folder.
3	Switch to Photo edit mode.
4	Switch to Video edit mode.
5	Switch to Share mode.
6	Enlarge or reduce the thumbnails in the list.
7	Select a file type.
8	View videos and photos of the selected folder on your computer.
9	Show or hide videos and photos of the connected device.
10	View videos and photos of the selected folder on the device.
11	View files as thumbnails or on a map.
12	Browse folders in the connected device.
13	Browse folders stored on your computer.
14	Move to the previous or next folder.
15	Print files, view files on a map, store files in Contents Manager, or register faces.

Step 3. Playing back videos or photos

You can play back the recordings conveniently using the Intelli-studio application.

- 1 With Intelli-studio, click the desired folder to display your recordings.
 - Video or photo thumbnails appear on the screen, depending on the folder you selected.
- 2 Choose the video or photo that you want to play back.
 - You can view the file information by moving the mouse over the file.
 - If you click a video thumbnail once, the video plays back inside the thumbnail frame, allowing you to search for a desired scene with ease.
- 3 After you select the video or photo you want, double-click to play back.
 - Playback starts and the controls appear.



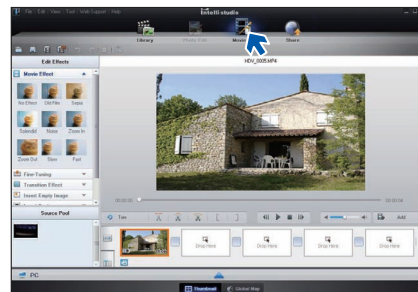
Intelli-studio supports the following file formats:

- Video formats: MP4 (Video: H.264, Audio: AAC), WMV (WMV 7/8/9)
- Photo formats: JPG, GIF, BMP, PNG, TIFF

Step 4. Editing videos or photos

You can edit the videos or photos in various ways with various functions. (Change Size, Fine-Tuning, Image Effect, Insert Frame, etc.) Before editing a video or photo in Intelli-studio, make a backup copy of the video or photo file and store it on your computer for safe-keeping using My Computer or Windows Explorer.

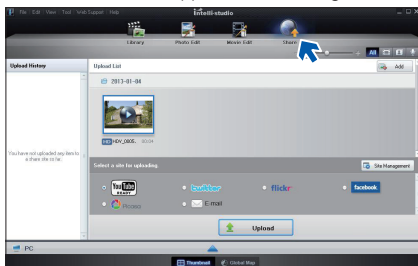
- 1 Choose the videos or photos you want to edit.
- 2 Click **Movie Edit** (🎬) or **Photo Edit** (🖼️) depending on the file you selected in the Intelli-studio browser.
 - The selected file appears in the editing window.
- 3 Edit a video or photo with various edit functions.



Step 5. Sharing the videos/photos online

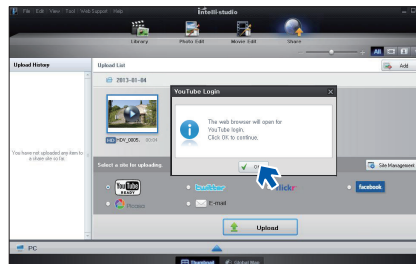
Share your contents with the world by uploading photos and videos directly to a web site with one click.

- 1 Choose the videos or photos you want to share.
- 2 Click **Share** (📁) on the Intelli-studio browser.
 - The selected files appear in the sharing window.



- 3 Click the web site you would like to upload files to.
 - You can choose **YouTube**, **twitter**, **flickr**, **facebook**, **Picasa**, **Email**, or another web site you want to use for your site management.

- 4 Click **Upload** to start uploading.
 - A pop-up window appears. The window will either ask you to enter your ID and password or ask you to click OK to continue to the web site you have selected.



- 5 Enter your ID and the password to access.
 - Access to the web site contents can be limited depending on your web access environment.



The allowed total recording time for individual videos and the capacity available for uploading videos can differ, depending on each web site's policy.

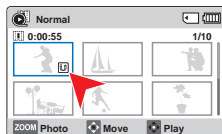
UPLOAD YOUR VIDEOS DIRECTLY TO YOUTUBE!

The One-Press [Share (U)] button lets you directly upload and share your videos on YouTube. Just press the [Share (U)] button while your product is connected to a Windows computer using the USB cable.

STEP 1

On the product, select a video you want to upload in the video thumbnail index view using the [Share (U)] button. Repeat for each video you want to upload. ➔ page 73

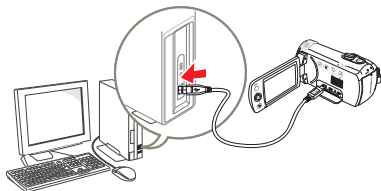
- The Share mark (U) appears on each video.



STEP 2

Connect the product to a PC with the USB cable.

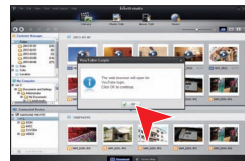
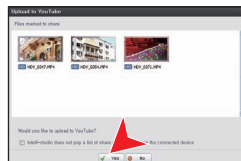
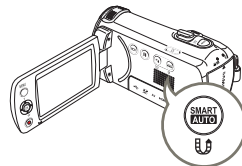
- If you have set **PC Software: On**, Intelli-studio runs automatically on a Windows computer after you've connected the product.



STEP 3

Press the [Share (U)] button while your product is connected to a Windows computer.

- A pop-up sharing window displaying the videos with share marks appears on the screen.
- Click **Yes** on the PC screen to begin uploading your videos to YouTube.
- If you want to upload directly without showing a pop-up sharing window, check "Intelli-studio does not pop a list of share marked files from the connected device".
- You can use the [Share (U)] button only while Intelli-studio is running.



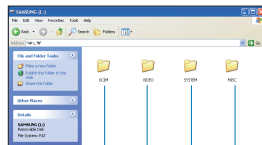
- As part of the uploading process, the videos you marked are converted into a format playable by YouTube before actually uploading. Time spent uploading may vary depending on such conditions as file size, computer performance, and network speed.
- There is no guarantee the uploading operation will work in all environments. YouTube server-side changes in the future may disable this function.
- For more information on YouTube, visit the YouTube website: <http://www.youtube.com/>
- This product's YouTube uploading functionality is provided under the license from YouTube LLC. The presence of the YouTube uploading functionality in this product is not an endorsement of or recommendation for the product by YouTube LLC.
- If you do not have an account on a specified website, you must register first before you can upload.
- According to YouTube's policy, direct video uploading may not be available in your nation/region.

USING AS A REMOVABLE STORAGE DEVICE

You can transfer recorded data to a Windows computer by connecting the USB cable to the camcorder.

Viewing and transferring the contents of storage media

- 1 Set **PC Software to Off**.
→ page 79
- 2 Insert a memory card.
→ page 30
- 3 Connect the camcorder to the PC with the USB cable.
→ page 86
 - The **Removable Disk** or **Samsung** window appears on the PC's screen after a moment.
 - Select **Open folders to view files using Windows Explorer** and then click **OK**.



Photos Videos
System folder
Setting folder

- 4 The folders in the storage media appear.
 - Different file types are stored in different folders.
- 5 Copy and paste or drag and drop the files from the storage media to your PC.
 - If the **Removable Disk** window does not appear, confirm the connection (→ page 86) or repeat steps 1 through 3 again. If the removable disk does not appear automatically, open the removable disk folder using My Computer or Windows Explorer.
 - If the connected camcorder's disk drive does not open or the context menu that appears when right-clicking your mouse (open or browse) appears broken, your computer may be infected by an Autorun virus. Be sure to update your antivirus software to the latest version.

Structure of folders and files on the storage media

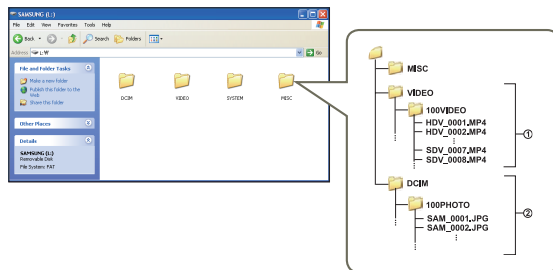
- The folder and file structure for the storage media is shown below.
- Do not arbitrarily change or remove the folder or file name. It may not be playable.

Videos (H.264) ①

- HD-quality videos have an HDV_####.MP4 name format.
- SD-quality videos have an SDV_####.MP4 name format.
- The file number automatically increases when a new video clip file is created.
- Up to 9,999 files can be stored in one folder. A new folder is created when the number files in a folder exceeds 9,999.
- The folder names are given in the following order: 100VIDEO, 101VIDEO, etc. The maximum number of folders is 999.
- The camcorder can create a maximum of 9,999 files in a storage media.

Photos ②

- As with video clip files, the file number automatically increases when a new image file is created.
- Photo files have a SAM_####.JPG format. A new folder stores files starting with SAM_0001.JPG.
- Folder names increase in this order: 100PHOTO→101PHOTO etc.



File format

Video files

- Videos are compressed in H.264 format. The file extension is '.MP4'.
- Refer to page 53 for video resolution.

Photo files

- Photos are compressed in JPEG (Joint Photographic Experts Group) format. The file extension is '.JPG'.
- Refer to page 54 for photo resolution.



Do not modify the name of a movie file recorded by the camcorder. For proper playback, the camcorder requires the original folder and file name.

Troubleshooting





WARNING INDICATORS AND MESSAGES

Before contacting a Samsung authorised service centre, perform the following simple checks. They may save you the time and expense of an unnecessary call.



Power source

Message	Icon	Informs that...	Action
Low Battery	-	The battery is almost discharged.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Replace with a charged battery or use the power adaptor.• Charge the battery.
Check authenticity of the battery.	-	The battery failed to authenticate.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Check the battery's authenticity. Change to an authentic and charged Samsung battery.• We recommend you use only genuine Samsung batteries in this camcorder.
This is not a rated adaptor. Use only the rated adaptor that we provided.		The power adaptor failed to authenticate.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Check the power adaptor's authenticity.• We recommend you use only genuine Samsung power adaptors for this camcorder.

Storage media

Message	Icon	Informs that...	Action
Insert Card		There is no memory card inserted in the memory card slot.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Insert a memory card.
Card Full		There is not enough space to record on the memory card.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Back-up important files to your PC or another storage media and delete unnecessary files in the memory card.
Card Error		The memory card has some problem and cannot be recognised.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Format the memory card or replace it with a new one.
Card Locked		The write protection tab on the memory card has been set to lock.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Release the write protection tab.


Storage media

Message	Icon	Informs that...	Action
Not Supported Card		The memory card is not supported in this camcorder.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Change to a memory card that we recommended.
Please format		The memory card is not formatted.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Format the memory card using the menu.
Low speed card. Please record a lower resolution.	-	The memory card is not fast enough to record at this resolution.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Record video at a lower resolution. Change the memory card to a faster one. ➡ page 32

Recording

Message	Icon	Informs that...	Action
Write Error	-	Some problems occurred while writing data to the storage media.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Format the storage media using the menu after backing-up important files to your PC or another storage media.
Release the Smart Auto	-	You cannot operate some functions manually when SMART AUTO is activated.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Turn off the SMART AUTO function.
The number of video files is full. Cannot record video.	-	The number of video files that can be stored is 9,999. The card has reached maximum capacity. No more files can be stored.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delete unnecessary files from the storage media. Back up files to your PC or another storage media and delete files. Change to another card which has enough free space. Set File No. to Reset. Format the storage media.
The number of photo files is full. Cannot take a photo.	-	The number of photo files that can be stored is 9,999. The card has reached maximum capacity. No more files can be stored.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delete unnecessary files on the storage media. Back up files to your PC or another storage media and delete files. Change to another card which has enough free space. Set File No. to Reset. Format the storage media.

Recording

Message	Icon	Informs that...	Action
File number is full. Cannot record video.	-	Folder and file number have reached the maximum number. You cannot record additional videos.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Set File No. to Reset and format the storage media. Remember to back up important files before formatting.
File number is full. Cannot take a photo.	-	Folder and file number have reached the maximum number. You cannot record additional photos.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Set File No. to Reset and format the storage media. Remember to back up important files before formatting.
Check the lens cover.		Lens cover is closed.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open the lens cover.

Playback

Message	Icon	Informs that...	Action
Read Error	-	Some problems occurred when reading data from the storage media.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Format the storage media using the menu after backing up important files to PC or another storage device.
Corrupted file	-	This file cannot be read.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Format the storage media after backing up important files to a PC or another storage device.

SYMPTOMS AND SOLUTIONS

If these instructions do not solve your problem, contact the nearest Samsung authorised service centre.

Power

Symptom	Explanation/Solution
The camcorder does not turn on.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The battery may not be installed on your camcorder. Insert a battery into the camcorder. The inserted battery may be discharged. Charge the battery or replace it with a charged one. If you use a power adaptor, make sure it is properly connected to the wall outlet. Remove the battery or unplug the power adaptor, and then reconnect the power supply to the camcorder before turning it on.
The power automatically turns off.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If no button is pressed for about 5 minutes, the camcorder is automatically turned off (Auto Power Off). To disable this option, change the setting of Auto Power Off to Off. Use the power adaptor.
Power cannot be turned off .	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remove the battery or unplug the power adaptor, and then reconnect the power supply to the camcorder before turning it on.
The battery is quickly discharged.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The temperature is too low. The battery is not fully charged. Recharge the battery. The battery has reached the end of its lifespan and cannot be recharged. Use another battery.

Displays

Symptom	Explanation/Solution
The TV screen or LCD display has distorted images or has stripes at the top/ bottom or on the left/right.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This can occur when recording or viewing a 16:9-ratio image on a 4:3-ratio TV, or vice versa. For more details, see display specifications. ➡page 83

Displays

Symptom	Explanation/Solution
Unknown indicator appears on the screen.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A warning indicator or message appears on the screen. ➡ pages 93–95
An afterimage remains on the LCD screen.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This occurs if you disconnect the power adaptor or remove the battery before turning the power off.
The image on the LCD screen looks dark.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ambient light is too bright. Adjust the brightness and angle of the LCD.

Storage media

Symptom	Explanation/Solution
Memory card functions are not operable.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Insert a memory card into your camcorder properly. ➡ page 30 If you use a memory card formatted on a computer, format it again directly on your camcorder. ➡ page 80
Image cannot be deleted.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You cannot delete the images protected by another device. Release the protection of the image on the device. ➡ page 72 Release the lock on the write-protect tab of the memory card (SDHC memory card, etc.), if any. ➡ page 31
You cannot format the memory card.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Release the lock on the write-protect tab of the memory card (SDHC memory card, etc.), if any. ➡ page 31 The memory card is not supported on your camcorder or the card has some problems.
The data file name is not indicated correctly.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The file may be corrupted. The file format is not supported by your camcorder. Only the file name appears if the directory structure does not comply with the international standard.
Your computer does not recognise an SDXC memory card.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SDXC memory cards use the exFAT file system. To use SDXC memory cards on a Windows XP computer, download and update the exFAT file system driver from the Microsoft website.
Your TV or computer cannot display photos and videos that are stored on an SDXC memory card.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SDXC memory cards use the exFAT file system. Ensure that the external device is compatible with the exFAT file system before connecting the product to the device.

Recording

Symptom	Explanation/Solution
Pressing the [Recording start/stop] button does not start recording.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is not enough free space to record on the storage media. • Make sure the memory card is inserted and write-protect tab is set to unlock. • The internal temperature of your camcorder is unusually high. Turn off your camcorder and leave it for a while in a cool place. • Your camcorder is damp and moist inside (condensation). Turn off your camcorder and leave it for about 1 hour in a cool place.
The actual recording time is less than the estimated time.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The estimated recording time may vary depending on the contents and the features you used. • Recording a fast-moving subject increases the bit rate and consequently the amount of storage space required for the recording, which can lead to a shorter available recording time.
The recording stops automatically.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is no more free space for recording on the storage media. Back up important files to your PC, and then format the storage media or delete the unnecessary files. • If you frequently record or delete files, the performance of the storage media will deteriorate. In this case, reformat the storage media. • If you use a memory card with a low writing speed, the camcorder automatically stops recording the videos and the corresponding message appears on the LCD screen.
When recording a subject illuminated by bright light, vertical lines appear.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The camcorder is unable to record these levels of brightness.

Recording

Symptom	Explanation/Solution
When the screen is exposed to direct sunlight during recording, the screen turns red or black for an instant.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not expose the LCD screen to direct sunlight.
During recording, the date/time does not appear.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Set Date/Time Display to on. ➤page 76
The beep sound is not heard.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Set the Beep Sound to On. The beep sound is temporally off while the camcorder records videos. When the Audio/Video cable jack or micro HDMI cable jack is connected to the camcorder, the beep sound will automatically turn off.
There is a time difference between the point where you press the [Recording start/stop] button and the point where the recorded video starts/stops.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On your camcorder, there may be a slight time delay between the point where you press the [Recording start/stop] button and the actual point where the recorded video starts/stops. This is not an error.
You cannot record a photo image.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Set your camcorder to the recording mode. ➤page 26 Release the lock on the write-protection tab of the memory card if set. ➤page 31 The storage media is full. Use a new memory card or format the storage media. ➤page 80 Remove unnecessary images. ➤page 70

Adjusting the image during recording

Symptom	Explanation/Solution
Focus does not adjust automatically.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Set Focus to Auto. ➡ page 58 The recording conditions are not suitable for auto focus. Adjust the focus manually. ➡ page 58 The lens is dusty on the surface. Clean the lens and check the focus. You are recording in a dark place. Increase the brightness.
The image appears too bright or flickering, or changes in colour.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This occurs when recording images under a fluorescent lamp, sodium lamp, or mercury lamp. Cancel iSCENE to minimise these phenomena. ➡ page 52

Playback on your camcorder

Symptom	Explanation/Solution
The video does not play back.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Press the [MODE] button to set the video playback mode. Image files recorded on another camcorder may not play back on your camcorder. Check out memory card compatibility. ➡ page 31
The Skip or Search function does not work properly.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If the temperature inside the camcorder is too high, it cannot function properly. Turn the camcorder off, wait for a few moments, and then turn it on again.
Playback is interrupted unexpectedly.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Check if the power adaptor or battery is properly connected and stable.
You cannot hear sound when playing back a Time Lapse recording.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Time Lapse REC function does not record sound.
Photos stored on a storage media do not appear in the actual size.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Photos recorded on other devices may not appear at their actual size. This is not an error.

Playback on other devices (TV, etc.)

Symptom	Explanation/Solution
You cannot view the image or hear the sound on the connected device.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Connect the audio line of the Audio/Video cable jack to your camcorder and the connected device (TV, DVD recorder, etc.). (Red colour- right, White colour- left) The Audio/Video cable jack or micro HDMI cable jack is not connected properly. Make sure that the Audio/Video cable jack or micro HDMI cable jack is connected to the proper jack. ➡ page 82
You cannot dub correctly using the HDMI cable.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You cannot dub images using the HDMI cable.

Connecting to a computer

Symptom	Explanation/Solution
When accessing videos, a computer does not recognise your camcorder.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disconnect the USB cable from the computer and camcorder, restart the computer, then reconnect it correctly.
Cannot play back a video file properly on a PC.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You need to install a video codec on the PC to play back the files recorded by your camcorder. Install or run the internal edit software (Intelli-studio). Make sure you insert the connector in the correct direction, and connect the USB cable to the USB jack on your camcorder firmly. Disconnect the cable from the computer and camcorder, restart the computer. Reconnect it properly. Your computer may not have the necessary performance specifications to play back a video file. Check the recommended computer specifications.
Intelli-studio does not function properly.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exit the Intelli-studio application, and restart the Windows computer. Intelli-studio is not Mac OS compliant. Set PC Software to On in the Settings menu.
The image or sound of the video file recorded by your camcorder does not play back correctly on your PC.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The image or sound of the video file may stop playing back temporarily depending on the data transfer speed of PC. Copy the video file to your PC and then play it back on the PC. If you connect the camcorder to your PC that the PC does not support Hi-Speed USB (USB2.0), the image or sound of the video file may not play back correctly. Video files copied to the PC are not affected by it.
The playback screen is paused or distorted.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Check the system requirements to play back a video. ➡ page 85 Exit all other applications running on the computer. If you play back the recorded file by connecting the camcorder to your PC, the file may not play back smoothly depending on the data transfer speed of PC.

Dubbing with other devices

Symptom	Explanation/Solution
You cannot dub correctly using the Audio/Video cable.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Audio/Video cable is not connected properly. Make sure that the Audio/Video cable is connected to the proper jacks, i.e. to the input jacks of the device used for dubbing an image from your camcorder. ↳ page 84

General operations

Symptom	Explanation/Solution
The date and time are incorrect.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has the camcorder been left unused for a long period of time? The backup internal rechargeable battery may be discharged. ↳ page 25
Pressing a button will not turn on or operate the camcorder.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remove the battery or unplug the power adaptor, and then reconnect the power supply to the camcorder before turning it on.

Menu items that cannot be used at the same time

Symptom	Explanation/Solution	
Menu items are greyed out.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You cannot select greyed items in the menu. If you have not inserted a memory card into the camcorder, all functions that require a memory card (Storage Info, Format, etc.) are greyed in the menu and you cannot select them. Insert a memory card to select and use these functions. 	
	Cannot use	Because of the following settings
	Anti-Shake(HDIS) Face Detection Back light	Digital Special Effect
	C.Nite, Intelli Zoom	Video Resolution : 1280x720/25p

Maintenance & additional information

MAINTENANCE

Cautions when storing

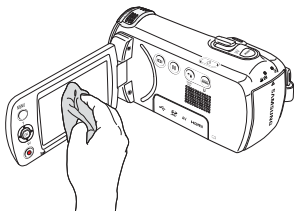
- To store your camcorder safely, turn it off.
 - Remove the battery and power adaptor.
 - Remove the memory card.

Cleaning the camcorder

Before cleaning, turn off the camcorder and remove the battery and power adaptor.

- **To clean the exterior**
 - Wipe gently with a soft dry cloth. Do not apply excessive force when cleaning. Gently rub the surface.
 - Do not use benzene or thinner to clean the camcorder. The exterior coating could peel off or the case could deteriorate.
- **To clean the LCD screen**

Wipe very gently with a soft dry cloth. Be careful not to damage the screen.



- **To clean the lens**

Use a air brush to remove dust, and then wipe the lens gently with a soft cloth.

If necessary, wipe gently with lens paper or tissue.

- Mould may form on the lens if the lens is left dirty.
- If the lens looks dim, turn off the camcorder and leave it off for about 1 hour.



LCD screen

- **To prolong its service life, do not rub the LCD screen with a coarse cloth.**
- **Be aware of the following LCD screen phenomena. They are not malfunctions.**
 - When you use the camcorder, the surface around the LCD screen may heat up.
 - If you leave the power on for a long time, the surface around the LCD screen becomes hot.
 - When using the camcorder in cold conditions, an afterimage may appear on the LCD screen.
- An LCD screen is manufactured using advanced technology which creates screens with pixel failure rates of less than 0.01%. However, a black or bright spot (red, blue, white) may appear in the centre of the LCD screen and up to two spots may appear outside the centre. These spots, which are normally incurred during the manufacturing process, do not affect the recorded images.



When there is dew condensation, put the camcorder aside for a while before using

- What is dew condensation?
Dew condensation happens when a camcorder is moved to a location where there is a significant temperature difference from the previous location. The dew condenses on the external or internal parts of the camcorder, and on the reflection lens. If there is dew on or in your camcorder, it may cause the camcorder to malfunction or damage the camcorder when you turn the power on.
- Exactly when does dew condensation occur?
When you move the camera to a location with a higher temperature than the previous location, or when you move it to a hot area suddenly. Examples:
 - You record outside in cold weather during the winter and then move the camera in indoors.
 - You record outside in hot weather after being indoors or inside a car where the A/C was running.
- What can I do?
 - Turn the power off, detach the battery, and leave the camcorder in a dry area for 1~2 hours before using it.



- Use the camcorder only after dew condensation has completely disappeared.
- Be sure to use the recommended accessories supplied with the camcorder. For service, contact your nearest Samsung authorised service centre.

USING YOUR CAMCORDER ABROAD

- Each country or region has its own electric and colour systems.
- Before using your camcorder abroad, check the following items.

Power sources

The power adaptor provided lets you power, recharge, and use your camcorder in any country/region that has the power in the 100 V to 240 V, 50/60 Hz range. You may need a commercially available AC plug adaptor depending on the design of local wall outlets.

On TV colour systems

Your camcorder is an PAL based camcorder. If you want to view your recordings on a TV or copy them to an external device, it must be an PAL based TV or external device and have the appropriate Audio/Video jacks. Otherwise, you may need to use a separate video format transcoder (For example, an PAL to NTSC format converter).



The format transcoder is not provided by Samsung.

PAL-compatible countries/regions

Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, China, CIS, Czech Republic, Denmark, Egypt, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Great Britain, Holland, Hong Kong, Hungary, India, Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Libya, Malaysia, Mauritius, Norway, Romania, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Slovak Republic, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Syria, Thailand, Tunisia, etc.

NTSC-compatible countries/regions

Bahamas, Canada, Central America, Japan, Korea, Mexico, Philippines, Taiwan, United States of America, etc.



You can make recordings with your camcorder and view pictures on the LCD screen anywhere in the world.

GLOSSARY

AF (Auto Focus)

A system that automatically focuses the camcorder lens on the subject. Your camcorder uses contrast to focus automatically.

Aperture

The aperture controls the amount of light that reaches the camcorder's sensor.

Camcorder shake (Blur)

If the camcorder is moved while the shutter is open, the entire image may appear blurred. This occurs more often when the shutter speed is slow. Prevent camcorder shake by raising the sensitivity or using a faster shutter speed. Alternately, use a tripod or the DIS or OIS function to stabilise the camcorder.

Composition

Composition in photography means arranging objects in a photo. Usually, abiding by the rule of thirds leads to a good composition.

Complementary Metal-Oxide-Semiconductor (CMOS)

A CMOS is an image sensor that produces images approaching the quality of CCD (charge coupled device) sensors. It consumes less power, meaning the battery on your camcorder lasts longer before it needs recharging.

Digital zoom

A feature that artificially increases the amount of zoom available with the zoom lens (Optical zoom). When using the Digital zoom, the image quality will deteriorate as the magnification increases.

Effective Pixel Count

Unlike the total pixel count, this is the actual number of pixels used to capture an image.

EV (Exposure Value)

All the combinations of the camcorder's shutter speed and lens aperture that result in the same exposure.

Exposure

The amount of light allowed to reach the camcorder's sensor. Exposure is controlled by a combination of the shutter speed, the aperture value, and ISO sensitivity.

Focal length (f)

The distance from the middle of the lens to its focal point (in millimeters). Longer focal lengths result in narrower angles of view and the subject is magnified. Shorter focal lengths result in wider angles of view.

F. No (F-Number)

The F-number defines the ratio of the focal length to the size of the lens aperture (focal length/diameter of lens aperture). The smaller the F-number, the larger the lens aperture and the greater the amount of light that reaches the camcorder's sensor. Generally, smaller F-numbers provide brighter images.

MPEG-4 AVC/H.264

MPEG-4 AVC/H.264 defines the latest video coding format standardised by the ISO/IEC and the ITU-T, in 2003. Compared with the conventional MPEG-2 format, MPEG-4 AVC/H.264 has more than twice the efficiency. Your camcorder employs MPEG-4 AVC/H.264 to encode high definition videos.

Optical zoom

This is a general zoom which can enlarge images with the lens alone and does not degrade the quality of images.

Quality

An expression of the rate of compression used in a digital image. Higher quality images have a lower rate of compression, which usually results in a larger file size.

Resolution

The number of pixels present in a digital image. High resolution images contain more pixels and typically show more detail than low resolution images.

Shutter speed

Shutter speed refers to the amount of time it takes to open and close the shutter, and it is an important factor in the brightness of a photo, as it controls the amount of light which pass through the aperture before it reaches the image sensor. A fast shutter speed provides less time for light to enter. The photo becomes darker, but more easily freezes subjects in motion.

White balance (colour balance)

An adjustment of the intensities of colours (typically the primary colours red, green, and blue) in an image. The goal of adjusting the white balance, or colour balance, is to correctly render the colours in an image.

Specifications

Model name			HMX-F90/HMX-F91/HMX-F900/HMX-F910/HMX-F920
System	Video signal	PAL	
	Picture compression format	H.264/AVC	
	Audio compression format	AAC (Advanced Audio Coding)	
	Image device	1/3.2" CMOS	
	Effective pixels	Approx. 920,000 pixels	
	Total pixels	Approx. 5 Mega pixels	
	Lens	1.8 to 4.9, 52x (Optical), 70x (Intelli), 130x (Digital) Electronic zoom lens	
	Focal length	2.1mm~109.2mm	
LCD screen	Size/dot number	2.7 inches wide, 230k	
	LCD screen method	TFT active matrix system	
Connectors	Composite video out	1.0V (p_p), 75Ω, analogue	
	Audio output	-7.5dBm 47KΩ, analogue, stereo	
	HDMI output	D type connector (Micro HDMI)	
	USB output	mini USB-B type (USB2.0 High Speed)	
General	Power source	5.0V (Using the power adaptor), 3.7V (Using Lithium Ion battery)	
	Power source type	Power supply (100V~240V) 50/60Hz, Lithium Ion battery	
	Power consumption	2.4W (LCD on)	
	Operating temperature	0°C~40°C	
	Operating humidity	10% ~80%	
	Storage temperature	-20°C~60°C	
	Dimensions (W x H x D)	Approx. 53.9mm×56.4mm×119.0mm	
	Weight	Approx. 222g (without battery and memory card)	
	Internal MIC	Omni-directional stereo microphone	

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