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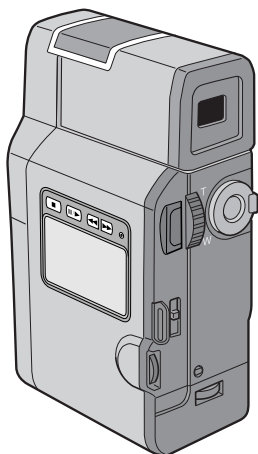
## DIGITAL VIDEO CAMERA

# GR-DV3

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Mini **DV** NTSC

## INSTRUCTIONS

**For Customer Use:**

Enter below the Model No. and Serial No. which is located on the bottom of cabinet. Retain this information for future reference.

Model No. \_\_\_\_\_

Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

LYT0152-001B

**EN**

**Dear Customer,**

Thank you for purchasing this Digital Video Camera. Before use, please read the safety information and precautions contained in the following pages to ensure safe use of this product.

**Using This Instruction Manual**

- All major sections and subsections are listed in the Table Of Contents (☞ pg. 8, 9).
- Notes appear after most subsections. Be sure to read these as well.
- Basic and advanced features/operation are separated for easier reference.

**It is recommended that you . . .**

- .... refer to "Controls, Indications and Connectors" (☞ pg. 74 – 80) and familiarize yourself with button locations, etc. before use.
- .... read thoroughly the Safety Precautions and Safety Instructions that follow. They contain extremely important information regarding the safe use of your new camcorder.

You are recommended to carefully read the cautions on pages 81 — 83 before use.

**WARNING:**

**TO PREVENT FIRE OR SHOCK HAZARD, DO NOT EXPOSE THIS UNIT TO RAIN OR MOISTURE.**

**Warning on lithium cell battery (for remote control unit)**

The battery used in this device may present a fire or chemical burn hazard if mistreated. Do not recharge, disassemble, heat above 100°C (212°F) or incinerate.

Replace battery with Maxell, Panasonic (Matsushita Electronic), Sanyo or Sony CR2025; use of another battery may present a risk of fire or explosion.

- Dispose of used battery properly.
- Keep away from children.
- Do not disassemble and do not dispose of in fire.

## SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

|  |   |   |
|--|---|---|
|   | <b>CAUTION</b><br>RISK OF ELECTRIC SHOCK<br>DO NOT OPEN |  |
| <p>CAUTION: TO REDUCE THE RISK OF ELECTRIC SHOCK. DO NOT REMOVE COVER (OR BACK). NO USER-SERVICEABLE PARTS INSIDE. REFER SERVICING TO QUALIFIED SERVICE PERSONNEL.</p> |   |   |



The lightning flash with arrowhead symbol, within an equilateral triangle, is intended to alert the user to the presence of uninsulated "dangerous voltage" within the product's enclosure that may be of sufficient magnitude to constitute a risk of electric shock to persons.



The exclamation point within an equilateral triangle is intended to alert the user to the presence of important operating and maintenance (servicing) instructions in the literature accompanying the appliance.

The AA-V68U AC Power Adapter/Charger should be used with:  
AC 120 V~, 60 Hz in the USA and Canada,  
AC 110 – 240 V~, 50/60 Hz in other countries.

**CAUTION (applies to the AA-V68U)**  
TO PREVENT ELECTRIC SHOCK MATCH WIDE BLADE OF PLUG TO WIDE SLOT, FULLY INSERT.

**ATTENTION (s'applique à l'AA-V68U)**  
POUR ÉVITER LES CHOCS ÉLECTRIQUES, INTRODUIRE LA LAME LA PLUS LARGE DE LA FICHE DANS LA BORNE CORRESPONDANTE DE LA PRISE ET POUSSER JUSQU'AU FOND.

**NOTES:**

- The rating plate (serial number plate) and safety caution are on the bottom and/or the back of the main unit.
- The rating plate (serial number plate) of the AC Power Adapter/Charger is on its bottom.

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

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

This camcorder is designed to be used with NTSC-type color television signals. It cannot be used for playback with a television of a different standard. However, live recording and viewfinder playback are possible anywhere. Use the BN-V607U or BN-V615U battery pack and, to recharge it, the provided multi-voltage AC Power Adapter/Charger AA-V68U. (An appropriate conversion adapter may be necessary to accommodate different designs of AC outlets in different countries.)

# IMPORTANT PRODUCT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

Electrical energy can perform many useful functions. But improper use can result in potential electrical shock or fire hazards. This product has been engineered and manufactured to assure your personal safety. In order not to defeat the built-in safeguards, observe the following basic rules for its installation, use and servicing.

## ATTENTION:

Follow and obey all warnings and instructions marked on your product and its operating instructions. For your safety, please read all the safety and operating instructions before you operate this product and keep this manual for future reference.

## INSTALLATION

### 1. Grounding or Polarization

(A) Your product may be equipped with a polarized alternating-current line plug (a plug having one blade wider than the other). This plug will fit into the power outlet only one way. This is a safety feature.

If you are unable to insert the plug fully into the outlet, try reversing the plug. If the plug should still fail to fit, contact your electrician to replace your obsolete outlet. Do not defeat the safety purpose of the polarized plug.

(B) Your product may be equipped with a 3-wire grounding-type plug, a plug having a third (grounding) pin. This plug will only fit into a grounding-type power outlet. This is a safety feature.

If you are unable to insert the plug into the outlet, contact your electrician to replace your obsolete outlet. Do not defeat the safety purpose of the grounding-type plug.

### 2. Power Sources

Operate your product only from the type of power source indicated on the marking label. If you are not sure of the type of power supply to your home, consult your product dealer or local power company. If your product is intended to operate from battery power, or other sources, refer to the operating instructions.

### 3. Overloading

Do not overload wall outlets, extension cords, or integral convenience receptacles as this can result in a risk of fire or electric shock.

### 4. Power Cord Protection

Power supply cords should be routed so that they are not likely to be walked on or pinched by items placed upon or against them, paying particular attention to cords at plugs, convenience receptacles, and the point where they exit from the product.

### 5. Ventilation

Slots and openings in the cabinet are provided for ventilation. To ensure reliable operation of the product and to protect it from overheating, these openings must not be blocked or covered.

- Do not block the openings by placing the product on a bed, sofa, rug or other similar surface.
- Do not place the product in a built-in installation such as a bookcase or rack unless proper ventilation is provided or the manufacturer's instructions have been adhered to.

### 6. Wall or Ceiling Mounting

The product should be mounted to a wall or ceiling only as recommended by the manufacturer.

## ANTENNA INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

### 1. Outdoor Antenna Grounding

If an outside antenna or cable system is connected to the product, be sure the antenna or cable system is grounded so as to provide some protection against voltage surges and built-up static charges. Article 810 of the National Electrical Code, ANSI/NFPA 70, provides information with regard to proper grounding of the mast and supporting structure, grounding of the lead-in wire to an antenna discharge unit, size of grounding conductors, location of antenna discharge unit, connection to grounding electrodes, and requirements for the grounding electrode.

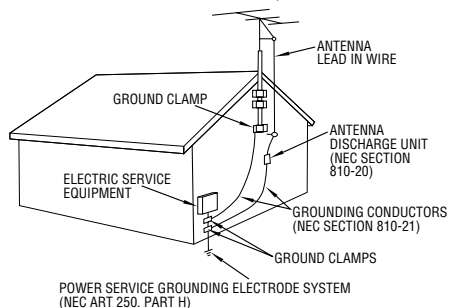
### 2. Lightning

For added protection for this product during a lightning storm, or when it is left unattended and unused for long periods of time, unplug it from the wall outlet and disconnect the antenna or cable system. This will prevent damage to the product due to lightning and power-line surges.

### 3. Power Lines

An outside antenna system should not be located in the vicinity of overhead power lines or other electric light or power circuits, or where it can fall into such power lines or circuits. When installing an outside antenna system, extreme care should be taken to keep from touching such power lines or circuits as contact with them might be fatal.

EXAMPLE OF ANTENNA GROUNDING AS PER NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE, ANSI/NFPA 70



NEC - NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE

## USE

### 1. Accessories

#### To avoid personal injury:

- Do not place this product on an unstable cart, stand, tripod, bracket or table. It may fall, causing serious injury to a child or adult, and serious damage to the product.
- Use only with a cart, stand, tripod, bracket, or table recommended by the manufacturer or sold with the product.
- Use a mounting accessory recommended by the manufacturer and follow the manufacturer's instructions for any mounting of the product.
- Do not try to roll a cart with small casters across thresholds or deep-pile carpets.

### 2. Product and Cart Combination

A product and cart combination should be moved with care. Quick stops, excessive force, and uneven surfaces may cause the product and cart combination to overturn.

### 3. Water and Moisture

Do not use this product near water—for example, near a bath tub, wash bowl, kitchen sink or laundry tub, in a wet basement, or near a swimming pool and the like.

**PORTABLE CART WARNING**  
(Symbol provided by RETAC)



### 4. Object and Liquid Entry

Never push objects of any kind into this product through openings as they may touch dangerous voltage points or short-out parts that could result in a fire or electric shock. Never spill liquid of any kind on the product.

### 5. Attachments

Do not use attachments not recommended by the manufacturer of this product as they may cause hazards.

### 6. Cleaning

Unplug this product from the wall outlet before cleaning. Do not use liquid cleaners or aerosol cleaners. Use a damp cloth for cleaning.

### 7. Heat

The product should be situated away from heat sources such as radiators, heat registers, stoves, or other products (including amplifiers) that produce heat.

## SERVICING

### 1. Servicing

If your product is not operating correctly or exhibits a marked change in performance and you are unable to restore normal operation by following the detailed procedure in its operating instructions, do not attempt to service it yourself as opening or removing covers may expose you to dangerous voltage or other hazards. Refer all servicing to qualified service personnel.

### 2. Damage Requiring Service

Unplug this product from the wall outlet and refer servicing to qualified service personnel under the following conditions:

- When the power supply cord or plug is damaged.
- If liquid has been spilled, or objects have fallen into the product.
- If the product has been exposed to rain or water.
- If the product does not operate normally by following the operating instructions. Adjust only those controls that are covered by the operating instructions as an improper adjustment of other controls may result in damage and will often require extensive work by a qualified technician to restore the product to its normal operation.
- If the product has been dropped or damaged in any way.
- When the product exhibits a distinct change in performance—this indicates a need for service.

### 3. Replacement Parts

When replacement parts are required, be sure the service technician has used replacement parts specified by the manufacturer or have the same characteristics as the original part. Unauthorized substitutions may result in fire, electric shock or other hazards.

### 4. Safety Check

Upon completion of any service or repairs to this product, ask the service technician to perform safety checks to determine that the product is in safe operating condition.

## SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Do not point the lens or the viewfinder directly into the sun. This can cause eye injuries, as well as lead to the malfunctioning of internal circuitry. There is also a risk of fire or electric shock.

**CAUTION!** The following notes concern possible physical damage to the camcorder and to the user.

When carrying, be sure to always attach and use the provided hand strap. Hold the camcorder firmly in your hand, with the strap securely around your wrist. Carrying or holding the camcorder by the viewfinder can result in dropping the unit, or in a malfunction.

Take care not to get your finger caught in the cassette cover. Do not let children operate the camcorder, as they are particularly susceptible to this type of injury.

Do not use a tripod on unsteady or unlevel surfaces. It could tip over, causing serious damage to the camcorder.

## Mini DV NTSC

- This camcorder is designed exclusively for the digital video cassette. Only cassettes marked **Mini DV** can be used with this unit.

*Before recording an important scene . . .*

- .... make sure you only use cassettes with the Mini DV mark **Mini DV**.
- .... remember that this camcorder is not compatible with other digital video formats.
- .... remember that this camcorder is intended for private consumer use only. Any commercial use without proper permission is prohibited. (Even if you record an event such as a show, performance or exhibition for personal enjoyment, it is strongly recommended that you obtain permission beforehand.)

### About Batteries

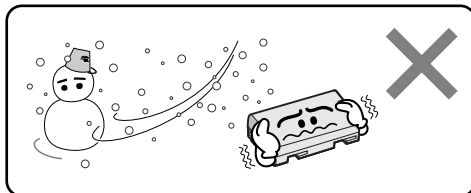
**DANGER!** Do not attempt to take the batteries apart, or expose them to flame or excessive heat, as there is a risk of fire or explosion.

**WARNING!** Do not allow the battery terminals, or the battery itself, to come in contact with metals, as this can result in a short circuit and possibly start a fire.

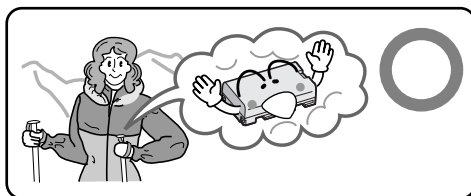
### The Benefits Of Lithium-Ion Batteries

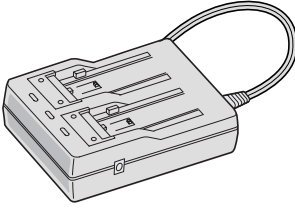
Lithium-ion battery packs are small but possess a large power capacity. However, when the battery pack becomes cool in an environment subject to cold temperatures (below 10°C/50°F), the battery pack has a characteristic that its usage time becomes shorter and may cease to function. If this happens, place the battery pack in your pocket or other warm, protected place for a short time, then re-attach it to the camcorder. As long as the battery pack itself is not cold, it should not affect performance.

(If you're using some kind of heating pad, make sure the battery pack does not come in direct contact with the pad.)

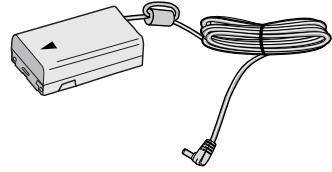


Lithium-ion is vulnerable in colder temperatures.





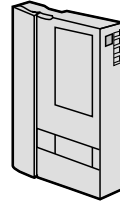
**AC Power Adapter/Charger  
AA-V68U**



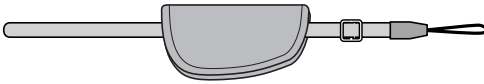
**DC cord**



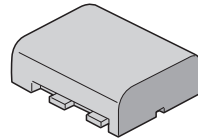
**Remote control unit  
RM-V705B**



**MiniDV Cassette Tape 30 min  
(DVM-30) M-DV30ME**



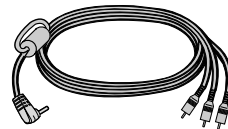
**Grip/Hand strap**



**Battery pack BN-V607U**



**Lithium battery CR2025  
(for remote control unit)**



**VIDEO/AUDIO cable  
(camcorder to TV or VCR,  
ø3.5 mini-plug ▶ RCA plug)**

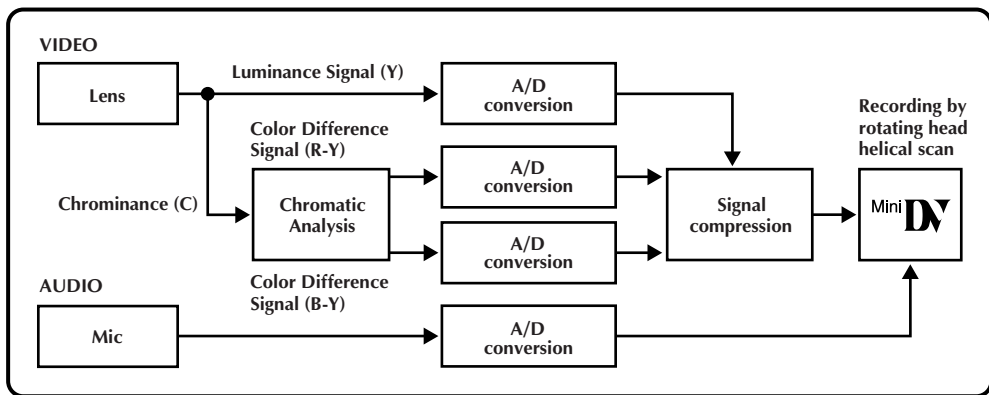
The digital video camera converts incoming audio and video signals into digital form for recording.

A video signal is composed of a luminance signal (Y) and color signals (R-Y and B-Y). These signals are identified and recorded digitally (Digital Component Recording). The A/D (Analog to Digital) converter samples the Y signal at 13.5 MHz, and R-Y and B-Y at 3.375 MHz, and changes them to an 8-bit quantum signal.

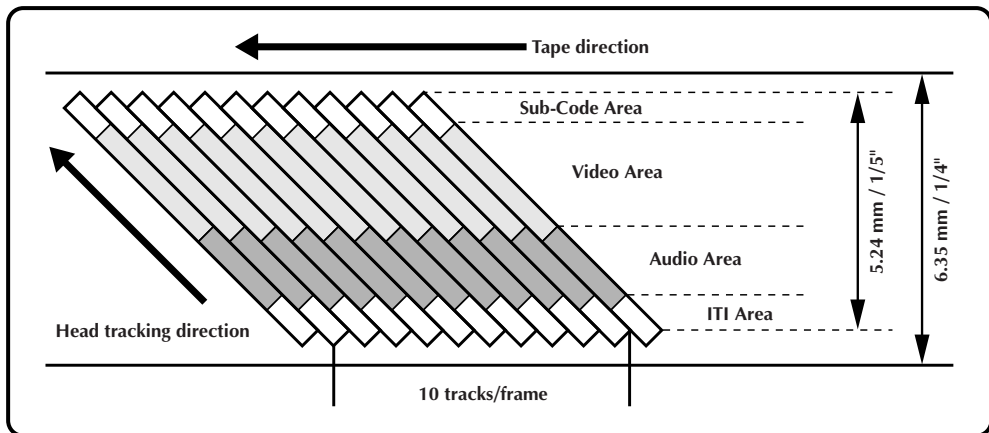
Sound sampled at 48 kHz is changed to a 16-bit quantum signal, and sound sampled at 32 kHz is converted to a 12-bit signal.

**NOTE:**

*The data recorded on a tape is digital, but the output of this camcorder is analog.*



This camcorder separates the data into blocks, writing one block of each data type on each track of the tape.



- 1 Sub-Code Area**  
The Time Code and Date/Time data are written here, separate from the video data. This enables you to display the date and time during playback, even if they weren't displayed while recording.

- 2 Video Area**  
The digital video signal is recorded here.

- 3 Audio Area**  
The digital audio signal is recorded here.

- 4 ITI (Insert and Tracking Information) Area**  
Insert editing and post-recording editing tracking signals are recorded here.

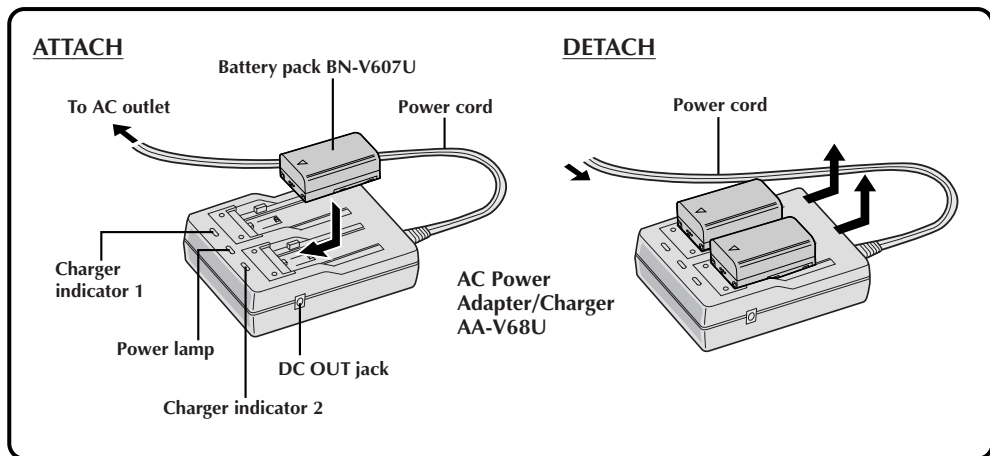
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## Charging The Battery Pack

You can charge one battery pack at a time, or two consecutively.



### 1 SUPPLY POWER TO CHARGER

Plug the AC Adapter/Charger's power cord in to an AC outlet. The power lamp comes on.

### 2 ATTACH BATTERY/BATTERIES

Attach while making sure the  $\oplus$   $\ominus$  marks are facing down and aligned with the corresponding marks on the AC Power Adapter/Charger.

- The Charger Indicator (1 or 2) begins blinking to indicate charging has started.

### 3 CONFIRM STATUS

When the charger indicator stops blinking but stays lit, charging is finished.

- If two batteries are attached to the charger, they will be charged in the order that they were attached.

### 4 DETACH BATTERY/BATTERIES

Slide the battery or batteries in the direction of the arrow and lift off.

- Remember to unplug the AC Adapter/Charger's power cord from an AC outlet.

### NOTES:

- If you connect the camcorder's DC cord to the adapter during battery charging, power is supplied to the camcorder and charging stops.
- When using the AC Power Adapter/Charger, be sure to use the supplied power cord only.
- When charging the Battery Pack for the first time or after a long storage period, the Charger Indicator may not light. In this case, remove the Battery Pack from the AC Power Adapter/Charger, then try charging again.
- Since the AC Power Adapter/Charger processes electricity internally, it becomes warm during use. Be sure to use it only in well-ventilated areas.
- If the battery operation time remains extremely short even after having been fully charged, the battery is worn out and needs to be replaced. Please purchase a new one.

Approximate charging time (unit: min)

| Battery                | No. of batteries |     |
|------------------------|------------------|-----|
|                        | ONE              | TWO |
| BN-V607U               | 90               | 180 |
| BN-V615U<br>(optional) | 180              | 360 |

## Charging Environment

Perform charging where the temperature is between 10° and 30°C (50°F and 86°F). 20° to 25°C (68°F to 77°F) is the ideal temperature range for charging. If the environment is too cold, charging may be incomplete.

## Continuous Shooting

Continuous shooting is possible (See table below for recording time) under the following conditions:

- The temperature is approximately 20°C/68°F

**However, . . .**

- If the temperature is below 10°C/50°F, or
- If zoom or Record-Standby is engaged repeatedly, continuous shooting capability is reduced significantly. Before extended use, it is recommended that you prepare enough battery packs to cover 3 times the planned shooting time.

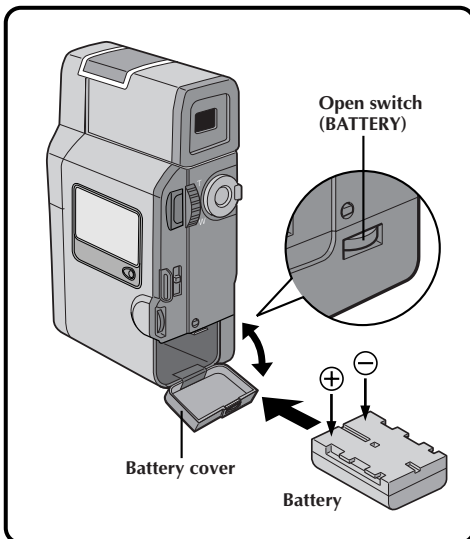
| No. of batteries to supply power   |                     | Approximate recording time (unit: min) |
|--|---------------------|--|
| Using <b>one</b> battery (BN-V607U) installed in the camcorder   |                     | 60                                     |
| Using <b>one</b> battery (BN-V615U) installed in the optional Battery Holder* attached to the camcorder  |                     | 120                                    |
| Using <b>two</b> batteries; one (BN-V607U) installed in the camcorder and one (BN-V607U or BN-V615U) installed in the optional Battery Holder* attached to the camcorder | BN-V607U x 2        | 120                                    |
|  | BN-V607U & BN-V615U | 180                                    |
| Using a BN-V856U battery**   |                     | 420                                    |

\* The Battery Holder is included in the optional VU-V615KITU Battery Holder Kit.

\*\* The BN-V856U battery, as well as the AA-V80U AC Power Adapter/Charger for charging it, is included in the optional VU-V856KITU Extended-Use Battery Pack Kit.

## Installing The Battery Pack

The battery pack does not charge while in the camcorder. Before installation, make sure the battery pack has been charged fully.



**1 OPEN BATTERY COVER**  
Slide down the open switch.

**2 INSERT CHARGED BATTERY**  
Insert the ⊕ ⊖ mark end of the battery first. Inserting the battery backwards will result in malfunction.

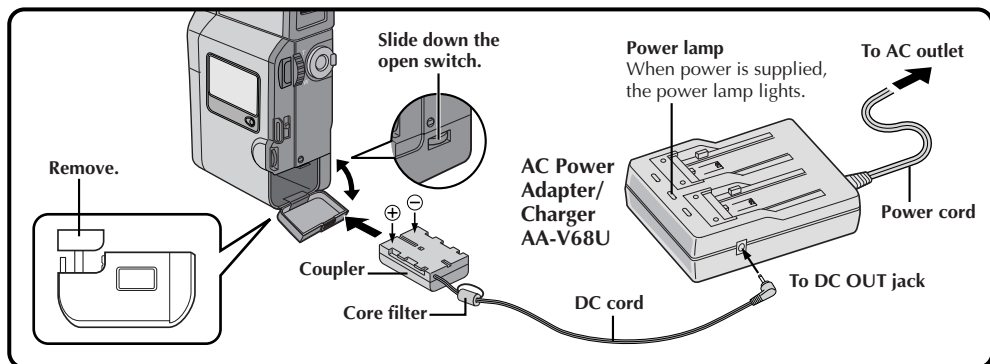
**3 CLOSE BATTERY COVER**

### NOTES:

- To remove the battery pack, turn off the camcorder and open the battery cover so that the battery pack comes out halfway. Then pull out the battery pack.
- Be careful not to drop the battery pack.

## Indoor Use

When using the camcorder indoors, you can use the AC Power Adapter/Charger (provided) instead of a battery.



**1 CONNECT DC CORD TO CAMCORDER**  
Insert the coupler of the provided DC cord into the camcorder.

**2 CONNECT DC CORD TO AC POWER ADAPTER/CHARGER**  
Connect the DC cord to the AC Power Adapter/Charger's DC OUT jack.

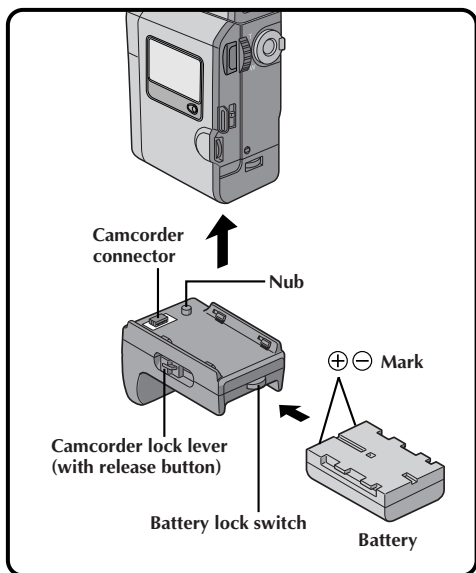
**3 SUPPLY POWER TO AC POWER ADAPTER/CHARGER**  
Plug the AC Power Adapter/Charger's power cord into an AC outlet.

### NOTE:

Since the AC Power Adapter/Charger processes electricity internally, it becomes warm during use. Be sure to use it only in well-ventilated areas.

## Using The Battery Holder

For extended use, prepare the Battery Holder (included in the optional Battery Holder Kit VU-V615KITU), which can be loaded with one battery pack. This Battery Holder can be used together with the battery installed in the camcorder.



**1 INSERT CHARGED BATTERY**  
To insert a battery pack, slide the battery lock switch to the release position and insert the battery  $\oplus \ominus$  end first. To prevent the battery pack from falling out, be sure to slide the battery lock switch to the lock position.

**2 ATTACH TO CAMCORDER**  
Insert the Battery Holder's nub into the mounting socket on the bottom of the camcorder and slide the camcorder lock lever to the lock position.

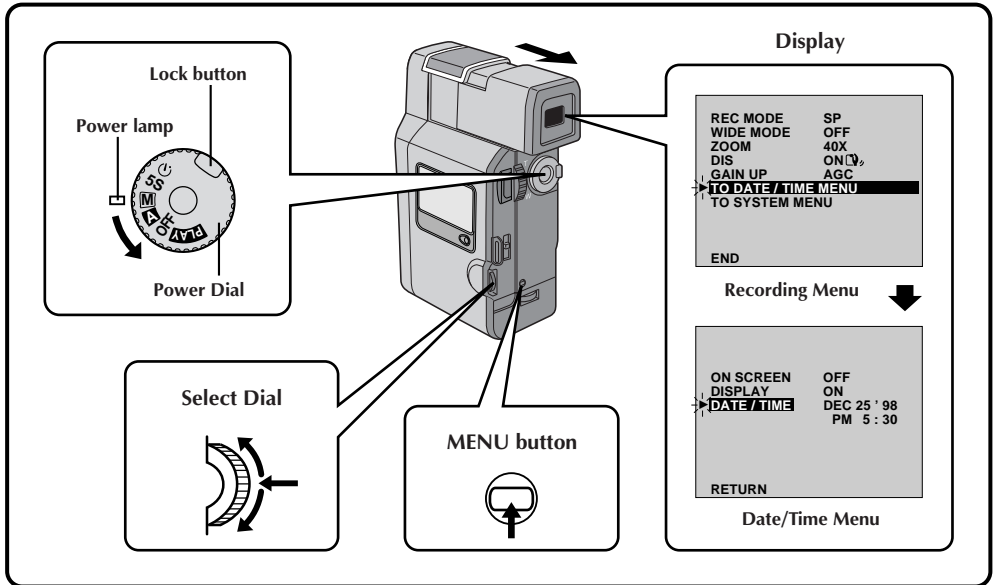
- To detach the camcorder, press the release button on the lock lever and slide the lock lever to the release position. Then slide the battery lock switch to the release position.

### NOTES:

- When the battery remaining power indicator appears as  $\square$ , that means the battery power is close to nil. When the battery power is exhausted, power turns off automatically.
- Each time you start shooting, the camcorder chooses the battery pack that has more remaining power, and uses that as the power supply. That means both battery packs will be exhausted at roughly the same time.

## Date/Time Settings

Date and time will automatically be recorded on tape at all times. It is your choice to display it or not during playback (▶ pg. 53).



### 1 SELECT OPERATION MODE

Set the Power Dial to "M" while pressing down the lock button located on the dial, and pull out the viewfinder.

- The power lamp comes on and the camcorder is turned on.

### 2 ACCESS RECORDING MENU

Press **MENU**. The Recording Menu appears.

### 3 ACCESS DATE/TIME MENU

Move the pointer and highlight bar to "TO DATE/TIME MENU" by rotating the Select Dial. Press the Select Dial and the Date/Time Menu appears.

### 4 INPUT DATE AND TIME

Move the pointer and highlight bar to "DATE/TIME" by rotating the Select Dial. Press the Select Dial and "month" is highlighted and begins blinking. Rotating the Select Dial, input the month. Press the Select Dial. Repeat the procedure to input the day, year, hour and minute.

- Press the Select Dial twice when the pointer and highlight bar are set to "RETURN" to exit.

### Regarding Built-in Rechargeable Battery

To store the date/time in memory, a rechargeable clock lithium battery is integrated in the camcorder. While the camcorder is connected to an AC outlet using the AC Power Adapter/Charger, or while the battery pack installed in the camcorder continues to supply power to the camcorder, the clock lithium battery is always charged. However, if the camcorder is not used for approx. 3 months, the clock lithium battery will become discharged and the date/time stored in memory will be lost. When this occurs, first connect the camcorder to an AC outlet using the AC Power Adapter/Charger etc. for over 24 hours to charge the clock lithium battery. Then perform the date/time setting before using the camcorder.

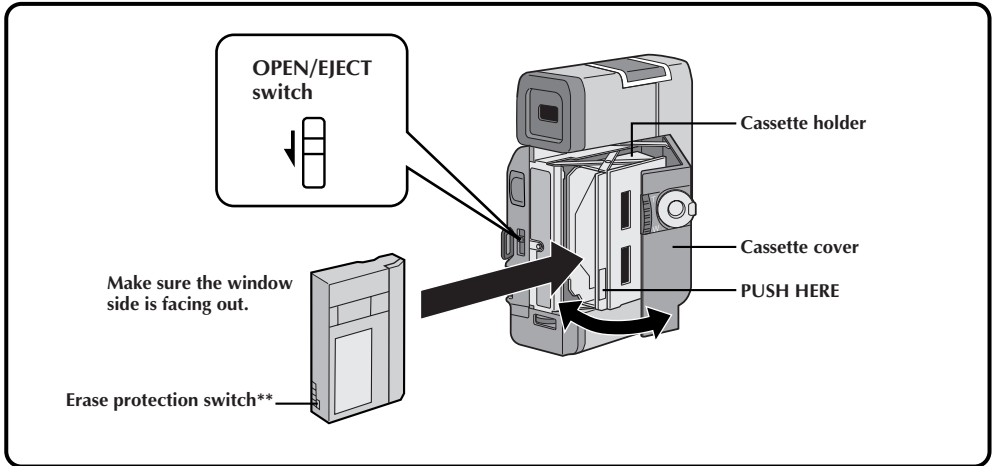
It is also possible to use the camcorder without the date/time setting.

### NOTE:

*If you don't exit the Date/Time Menu, the clock display will not move but the camcorder's internal clock continues to operate. Once you close the menu, the date and time begin operation from the current date and time, with no delay or loss.*

## Loading/Unloading A Cassette

The camcorder needs to be powered up to load or eject a cassette.



### 1 OPEN CASSETTE COVER

Turn the power on, then slide the **OPEN/EJECT** switch in the direction of the arrow. The cassette cover releases. Open the cover in the direction of the arrow until it locks. The holder opens automatically.

- Do not touch internal components.

### 2 INSERT/REMOVE TAPE

Insert or remove a tape and press "PUSH HERE" to close the cassette holder.

- Once the cassette holder is closed, it recedes automatically. Wait until it recedes completely before closing the cassette cover.
- When the battery's charge is low, you may not be able to close the cover. Do not apply force. Replace the battery with a fully charged one before continuing.

### Approximate recording time

| Tape   | Recording mode |         |
|--------|----------------|---------|
|        | SP             | LP      |
| DVM-30 | 30 min.        | 45 min. |
| DVM-60 | 60 min.        | 90 min. |

### NOTES:

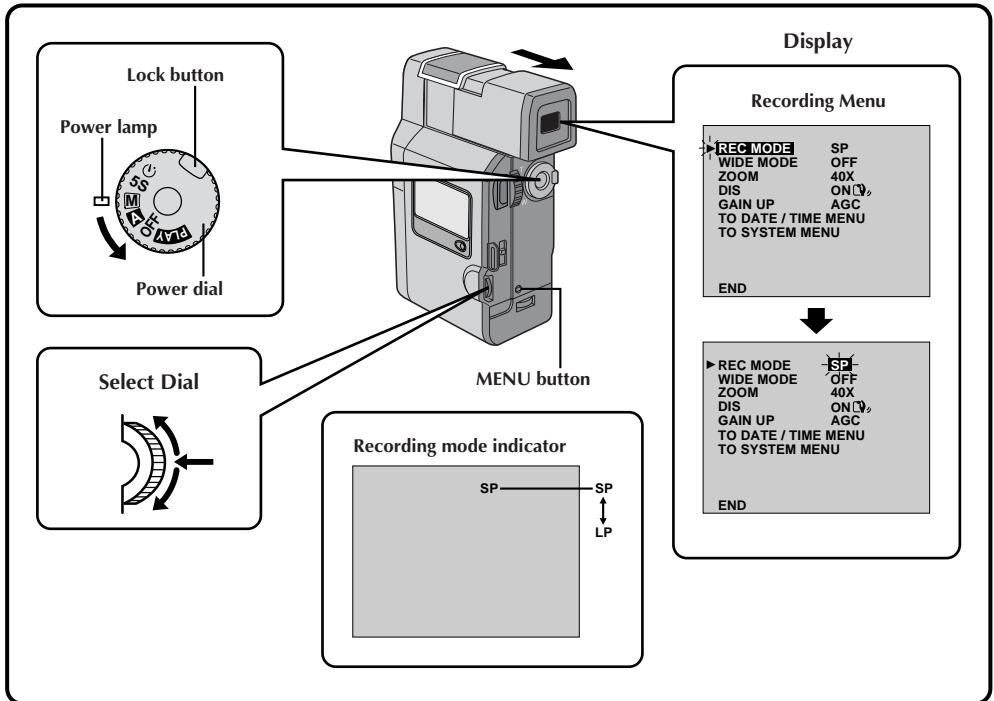
- It takes a few seconds for the cassette holder to open. Do not apply force.
- If you wait a few seconds and the cassette holder does not open, close the cassette cover and try again.
- When the camcorder is suddenly moved from a cold place to a warm environment, wait a short time before opening the cover.
- Closing the cassette cover before the cassette holder comes out may cause damage to the camcorder.
- Even when the camcorder is switched off, a cassette can be loaded or unloaded. After the cassette holder is closed with the camcorder switched off, however, it may not recede. It is recommended to turn the power on before loading or unloading.
- When shooting again after already shooting a scene, a blank portion is recorded on the tape or a previously recorded scene is erased (recorded over) if you open the cassette cover, regardless of whether the cassette holder comes out or not. See page 22 for information about recording from the middle of a tape.

### \*\* To protect valuable recordings . . .

.... slide the erase protection switch on the back of the tape in the direction of "SAVE". This prevents this tape from being recorded over. If you decide later that you do want to record on this tape, slide the switch back to "REC" before loading the tape.

## Recording Mode Setting

Set depending on your preference.



### 1 SELECT OPERATION MODE

Set the Power Dial to "M" while pressing down the lock button located on the dial.

### 2 PULL OUT VIEWFINDER

Pull out the viewfinder fully. The power lamp comes on and the camcorder is turned on.

### 3 ACCESS RECORDING MENU

Press MENU. The Recording Menu appears.

### 4 SET RECORDING MODE

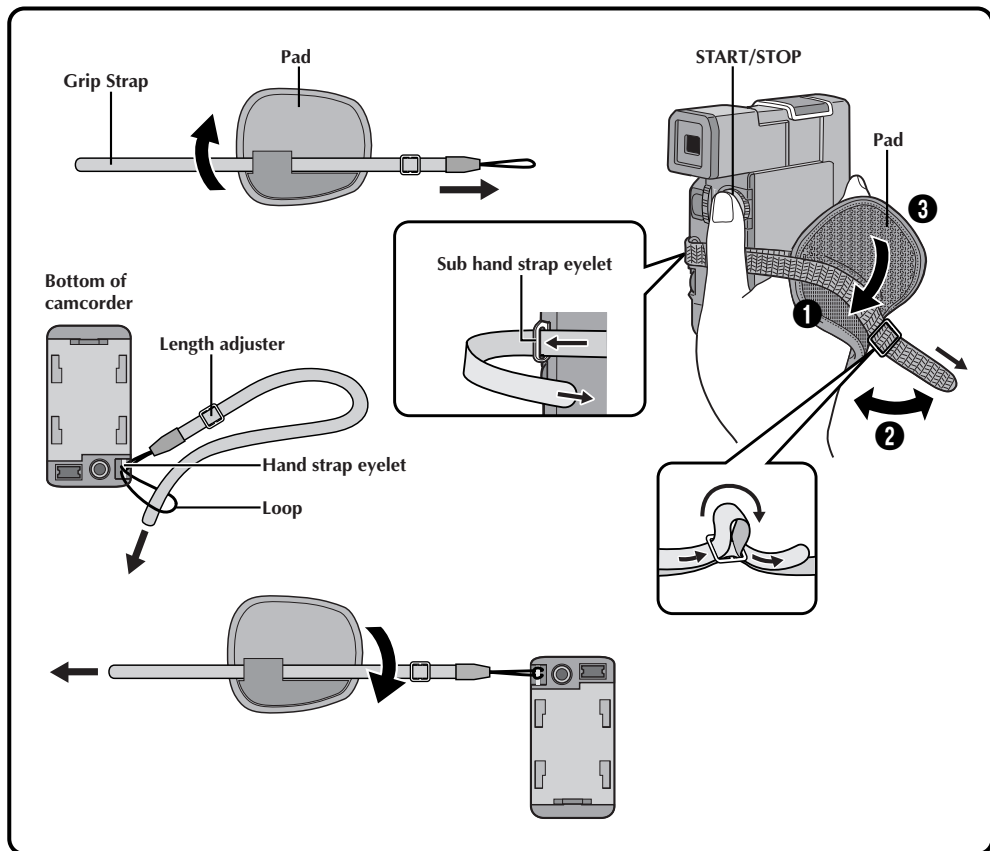
First move the pointer and highlight bar to "REC MODE" by rotating the Select Dial. Press the Select Dial and the parameter "SP" or "LP" is highlighted. Select "SP" or "LP" by rotating the Select Dial. Press the Select Dial twice to exit from the Recording Menu.

- "LP" (Long Play) is more economical, providing 1.5 times the recording time.

### NOTES:

- If the recording mode is switched during recording, the playback picture will be blurred at the switching point.
- It is recommended that tapes recorded in the LP mode on this camcorder be played back on this camcorder.
- During playback of a tape recorded on another camcorder, blocks of noise may appear or there may be momentary pauses in the sound.

## Grip Strap Attachment

**1 ATTACH GRIP STRAP TO HAND STRAP EYELET**

Open the pad and pull the grip strap in the direction of the arrow to remove the grip strap from the pad.

Thread the end of the grip strap through the hand strap eyelet, then thread the other end of the grip through the loop. Pull firmly to ensure secure attachment.

- To use the strap as a hand strap, thread the strap through the length adjuster when attaching it to the camcorder.

**2 ATTACH GRIP STRAP TO SUB HAND STRAP EYELET**

Open the pad and thread the grip strap through the pad. Next, thread the end of the grip strap through the sub hand strap eyelet.

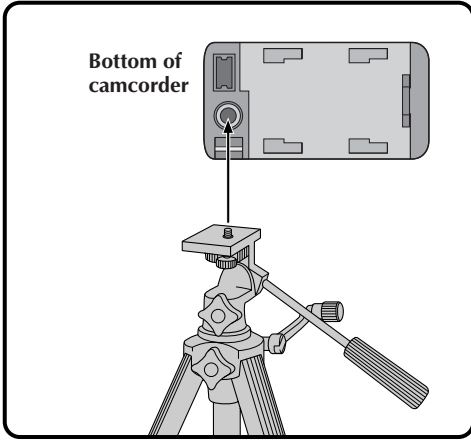
**3 ADJUST LENGTH**

Adjust so that your thumb and fingers can easily operate the **START/STOP** button and the zoom switch **1**. Position the pad so that it contacts the back of your hand and thread the grip strap through the length adjuster **2**, then re-attach the pad **3**.



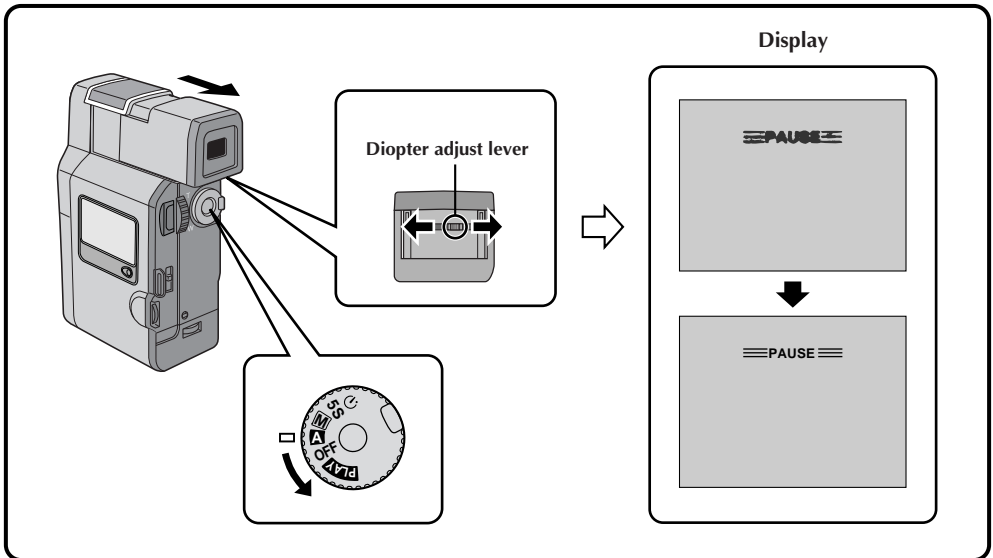
## Tripod Mounting

Align the tripod's screw with the mounting socket on the bottom of the camcorder.



## Diopter Adjustment

Adjust the viewfinder display for best viewing.



### 1 SELECT OPERATION MODE

Set the Power Dial to "A" or "M".

### 2 TURN ON CAMCORDER

Pull out the viewfinder fully.

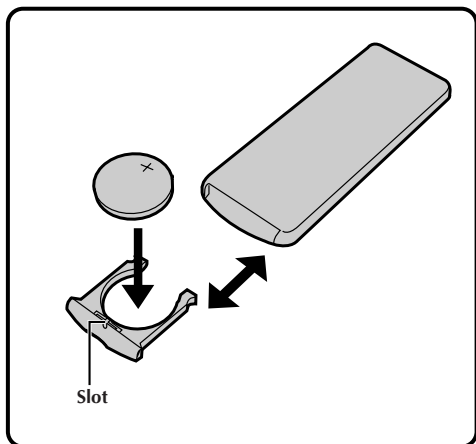
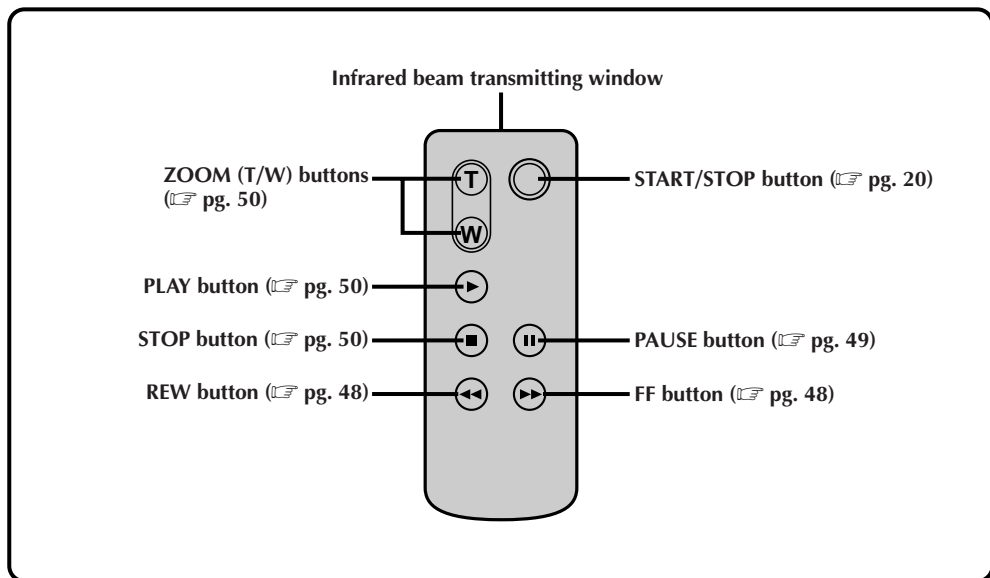
### 3 ADJUST DIOPTR

Slide the Diopter Adjust Lever located on the bottom of the viewfinder.

- Slide in either direction, while looking at the viewfinder display, until it looks best to you.

## Remote Control Unit

You can use the RM-V705B to control the camcorder. When using the remote control, be sure to point it at the remote sensor. The transmitted beam effective area for indoor use is approx. 5 m. The transmitted beam may not be effective or may cause incorrect operation if the remote sensor is directly exposed to sunlight or powerful lighting.



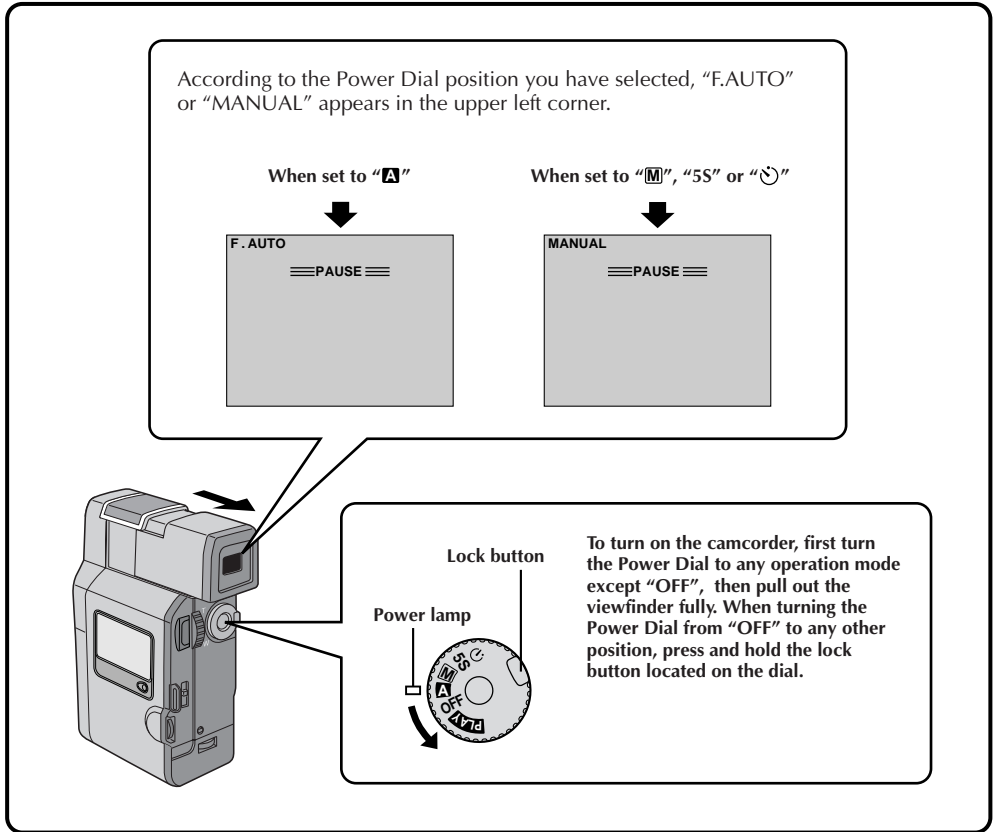
## Installing The Battery

The RM-V705B uses one lithium battery (CR2025).

- 1 PULL OUT BATTERY HOLDER**  
Pull out the battery holder by inserting a pointed instrument into the slot.
- 2 INSERT BATTERY IN HOLDER**  
Insert the battery in the holder, and be sure to have the "+" mark visible.
- 3 RE-INSERT HOLDER**  
Slide the holder back in until you hear a click.
  - Read the caution concerning lithium batteries (☞ pg. 2).

## Operation Mode

Tuning the Power Dial allows you to choose the appropriate operation mode among the following modes: Full Auto mode (A), Manual mode (M), 5 second mode recording (5S), Self-Timer mode (⌚) and "PLAY".

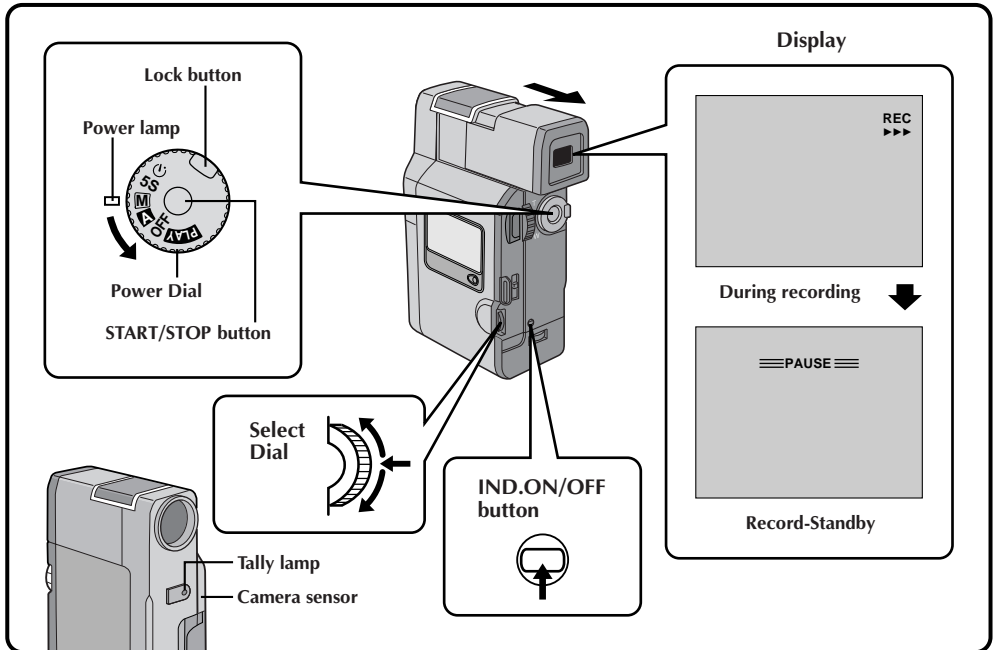


| Power Dial Position                | Function   |
|------------------------------------|--|
| <b>Full Auto: A</b>                | Allows you to record using NO special effects or manual adjustments. Suitable for standard recording.  |
| <b>Manual: M</b>                   | Allows you to set various recording functions using the Menu. If you want more creative capabilities than Full Auto recording, try this mode.  |
| <b>5 second mode recording: 5S</b> | Allows you to record in 5-second clips to keep the action moving. Other menu settings are the same as Full Auto mode, however manually adjusted White Balance Adjustment settings are effective. |
| <b>Self-Timer: ⌚</b>               | Allows you (camcorder operator) to become part of the scene once the camcorder is set. This mode is similar to the Self-Timer on film cameras.   |
| <b>Playback: PLAY</b>              | Allows you to play back a recording,  pg. 48 – 59.   |
| <b>OFF</b>                         | Allows you to switch off the camcorder. After setting to this position, Manual Focus and Exposure Control are automatically reset to "AUTO".   |

You should already have performed the necessary preparations (☞ pg. 10 – 19). Set the Power Dial to “A” and try recording that way before attempting to use more advanced features.

**NOTE:**

Before starting recording, make sure you set the date and time (☞ pg. 13). Even if they don't appear during recording, you can display them during playback (☞ pg. 53).

**1 SELECT OPERATION MODE**

Set the Power Dial to “A” while pressing down the lock button located on the dial.

**2 PULL OUT VIEWFINDER**

Pull out the viewfinder fully.

- The lens cover opens, the power lamp comes on and the scene you're aimed at appears.
- The Record-Standby mode is engaged.

**3 START RECORDING**

When “PAUSE” appears, press **START/STOP**. A beep signals the start of recording and the tally lamp comes on.

**4 STOP RECORDING**

Press **START/STOP** again to stop recording.

- The camcorder re-enters Record-Standby mode.

**5 END RECORDING**

When you're finished recording, push back the viewfinder until it clicks; the lens cover closes and the power lamp goes out.


- When transporting, make sure the viewfinder is pushed back.
- To turn power on again, pull out the viewfinder.

**OR**

Set the Power Dial to “OFF”.

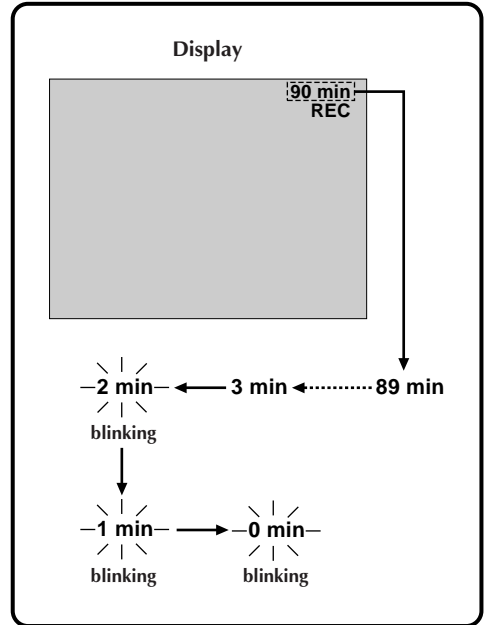
- When turning to “OFF”, it is not necessary to press down the lock button.

## NOTES:

- Be careful not to cover the camera sensor; built-in here is the sensor necessary for shooting.
- If 5 minutes elapse in the Record-Standby mode, power shuts off automatically to conserve energy and protect the heads. To turn the camcorder on again, push back and pull out the viewfinder again. As long as you don't take out the tape you were using or play it back, you can continue from where you left off with no noticeable brake on the recorded video.
- When a blank portion is left between recorded scenes on the tape, the time code is interrupted and errors may occur when editing the tape. Continue recording from where you stop so there are no gaps by following "Recording from the middle of a tape" (☞ pg. 22).
- Record-Standby means that a tape is loaded and the camcorder is ready to record.
- During recording, sound is not heard from the speaker. If you want to hear the sound, connect optional headphones to the headphones jack. The sound volume at this point is the same as the level it was adjusted during playback.
- To make the indications disappear, press and hold the **IND.ON/OFF** button for more than approx. 1 second. However, it is impossible to remove the tape running indicator "▶▶▶" and warning indications and so on (☞ pg. 80).
- When the battery remaining power indicator appears as , that means the battery power is close to nil. When the battery power is exhausted, power turns off automatically.

## Tape Remaining Indicator

The time remaining on the tape is automatically monitored and displayed (☞ pg. 80). When the tape ends, "TAPE END" appears. If the indications are turned off, the tape remaining indicator appears when remaining time reaches 2 minutes.



## Viewfinder Indications

You can make the Viewfinder indications appear/disappear.

## Brightness Control

You can adjust the brightness of the display by rotating the Select Dial.

### 1 ADJUST BRIGHTNESS

Rotate the Select Dial until the brightness indicator moves and the display reaches its appropriate brightness.

- The brightness indication appears on the display.

### 1 PRESS IND.ON/OFF BUTTON

When you do not want the indications to appear, press the **IND.ON/OFF** button for longer than approximately 1 second. Certain indications disappear.

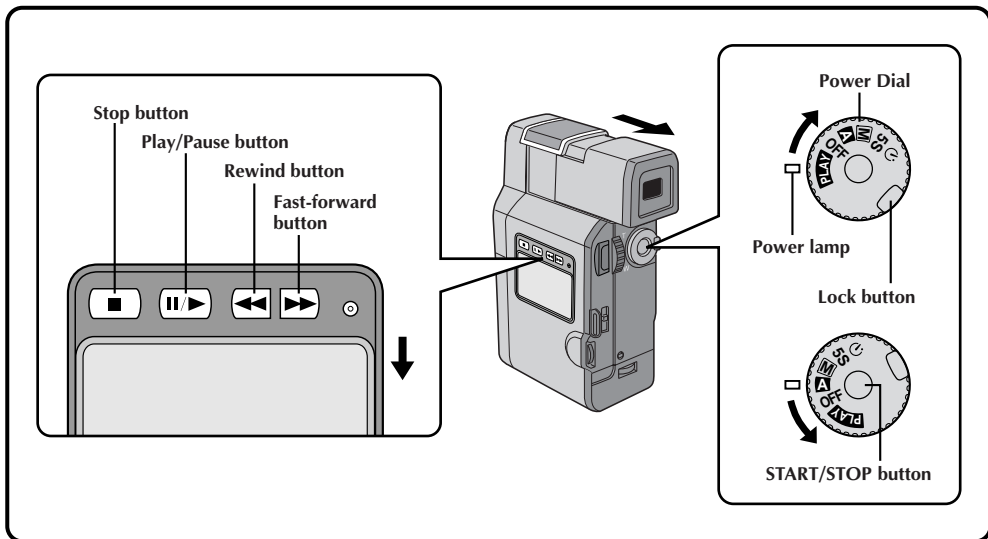
Press again for longer than approx. 1 second to make the indications reappear.

### NOTE:

It is impossible to make the tape running indicator and warnings etc. disappear from the viewfinder. For the indications that can be removed, ☞ pg. 78.

## Recording From The Middle Of A Tape

When removing a tape on which you were recording, or when you resume recording on a tape after playing back the recording previously made (without taking the tape out between recordings), perform this procedure.



**1 SELECT OPERATION MODE**  
Turn the Power Dial to "PLAY" while pressing down the lock button located on the dial.

- The power lamp comes on.

**2 PULL OUT VIEWFINDER**  
Pull out the viewfinder fully.

**3 START SEARCH**  
Press **II/▶**, then press **◀◀** or **▶▶**. Watch in the viewfinder for the spot where you want to begin recording.

**4 ENGAGE STILL MODE**  
Once you find the spot at which you want to start recording, press **II/▶** twice to engage the Still mode.

**5 START RECORDING**  
Turn the Power Dial to any operation mode except "PLAY" and "OFF", then press **START/STOP**.

- Start recording from a point prior to the end of the last recording. A few seconds of the end of the last recording will be erased.

### NOTE:

*Even if you start recording from the end of the previous recording leaving no blank space, there may be situations where a clean transition is not possible.*

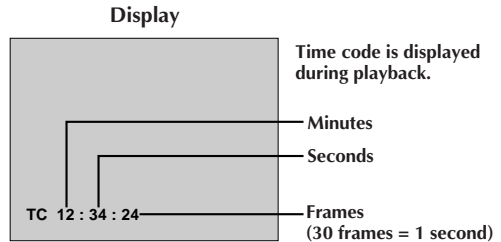
## Time Code

During recording, a time code is recorded on the tape. This code is to confirm the location of the recorded scene on the tape during playback.

If recording starts from a blank portion, the time code begins counting from "00:00:00" (minute:second:frame). If recording starts from the end of a previously recorded scene, the time code continues from the last time code number.

To perform Random Assemble Editing (☞ pg. 63), time code is necessary. If during recording a blank portion is recorded partway through the tape, the time code is interrupted. When recording is resumed, the time code starts counting up again from "00:00:00". This means the camcorder may record the same time codes as those existing in a previously recorded scene. To prevent leaving a blank portion on a tape, perform the procedure in "Recording From The Middle of A Tape" (☞ pg. 22) in the following cases;

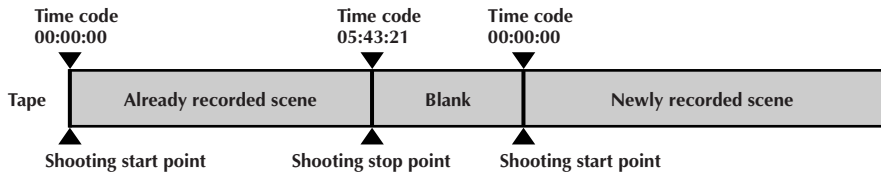
- After playing back the recorded tape, when you shoot again.
- When power shuts off during shooting.
- When a tape is removed and re-inserted during shooting.
- When shooting using a partially recorded tape.
- When shooting on a blank portion located partway through the tape.
- When shooting again after already shooting a scene and opening/closing the cassette cover.



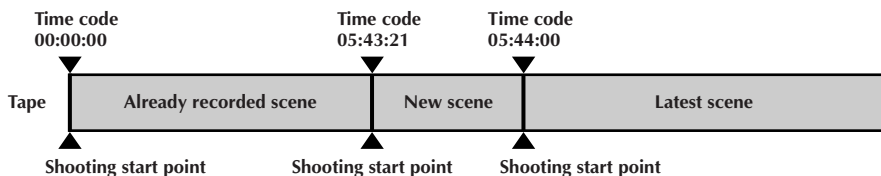
## NOTES:

- The Time Code cannot be reset.
- During fast-forwarding and rewinding, time code indication does not move smoothly.

### When blank portion is recorded on a tape



### Proper recording



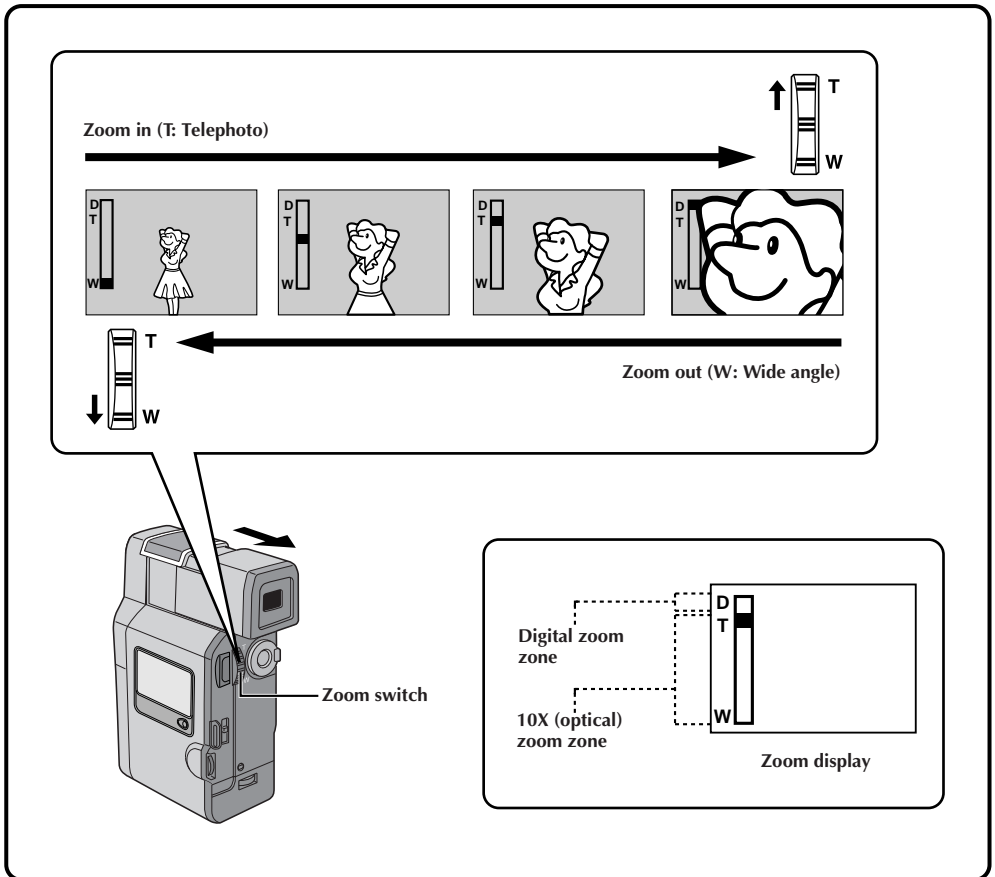
## Zoom

Select any one of the three powers of magnification and get “closer” to the subject (☞ pg. 32).

Simply set the zoom switch to either zoom in (towards “T”) or zoom out (towards “W”). The zoom speed is variable — the quicker you set the zoom switch, the quicker the zoom action.


### NOTES:

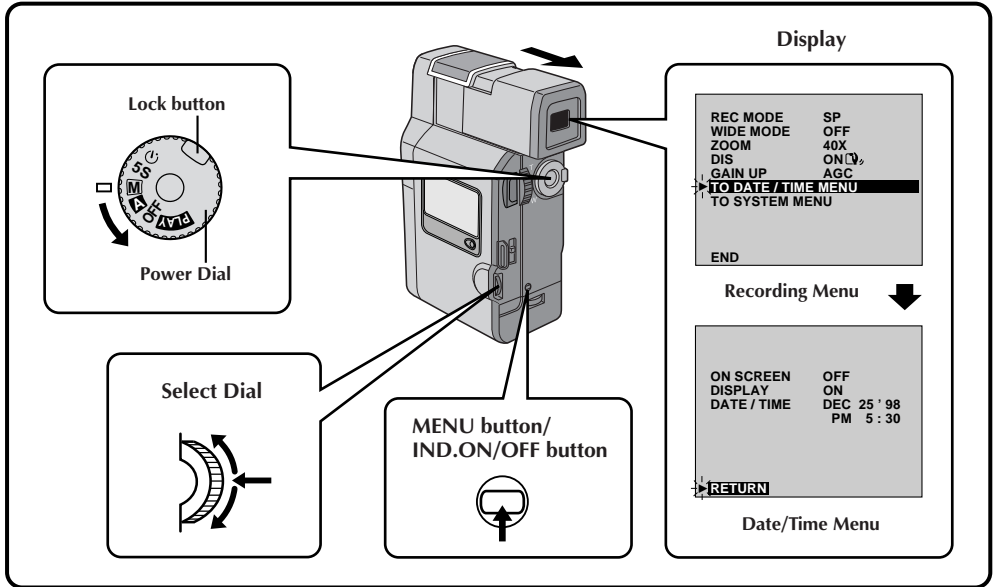
- In Full Auto mode (when the Power Dial is set to “A”), zoom magnification of up to 40X is possible. In Manual mode (when the Power Dial is set to “M”), zooming is possible to a maximum of 100X.
- Zoom magnification of over 10X is done through Digital image processing, and is therefore called Digital Zoom.
- During Digital Zoom, the quality of image may suffer.
- Digital zoom cannot be used while functions done through Digital image processing (SSD mode, ☞ pg. 26, Picture Wipe/Dissolve function, ☞ pg. 37, Snapshot, ☞ pg. 29, etc.) are activated.
- Macro shooting (as close as approx. 5 cm to the subject) is possible when the zoom switch is set all the way to “W”.





## Displaying The Date And Time During Recording

When the Power Dial is set to "M", "5S" or "S", you can choose whether to display the date and time during recording or not. You must first set the date and time (see "Date/Time Settings"  pg. 13). Set "DISPLAY" to "ON" in the Date/Time Menu. The Date/Time is always displayed when the Power Dial is set to "A".



- 1 SELECT OPERATION MODE**  
First turn the Power Dial to "M" while pressing down the lock button located on the dial, make sure the viewfinder is pulled out.
- 2 ACCESS RECORDING MENU**  
Press MENU. The Recording Menu appears.
- 3 ACCESS DATE/TIME MENU**  
Move the pointer and highlight bar to "TO DATE/TIME MENU" by rotating the Select Dial. Press it and the Date/Time Menu appears.
- 4 SELECT FUNCTION**  
Move the pointer and highlight bar to "DISPLAY" by rotating the Select Dial, then press it. The pointer stops blinking, indicating that the function has been selected.

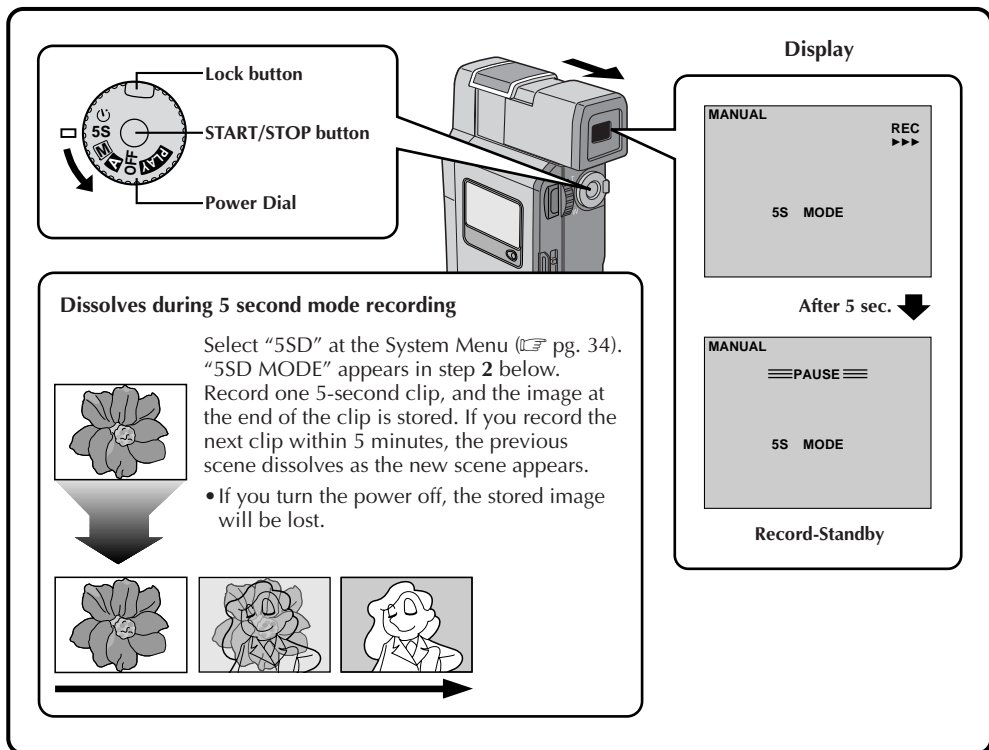
- 5 SET FUNCTION PARAMETERS**  
Cycle through the available settings of the selected functions by rotating the Select Dial and stop when the one you want is displayed. Then press it and the pointer and highlight bar automatically move to "RETURN".
- 6 CLOSE RECORDING MENU**  
Press the Select Dial twice. Selection is complete and the menu disappears.

### NOTES:

- Connect the camcorder to a TV and set "ON SCREEN" to "ON" in the Date/Time Menu. The display appears on the connected TV.
- The Indicator/Display function overrides these settings. Even if you have set "ON SCREEN" to "ON", pressing the IND.ON/OFF button for longer than 1 second removes the indications from the screen. Pressing it for longer than 1 second again makes the indications re-appear.

## Scene (5-second recording)

Record a vacation or an important event in 5-second clips to keep the action moving. The 5-Second function may also be activated during Full Auto operation. But the White Balance remains in the previously adjusted condition. While the 5-Second mode is activated, Fade/Wipe (☞ pg. 35), P.AE/Effects (☞ pg. 41) and other manual operations cannot be performed.



### 1 SELECT OPERATION MODE

Turn the Power Dial to "5S" while pressing down the lock button located on the dial.

### 2 PULL OUT VIEWFINDER

Pull out the viewfinder fully. "5S MODE" appears.

### 3 ENGAGE 5S MODE

Then press **START/STOP**. The tally lamp lights and beep sounds to indicate the start of recording, and after 5 seconds the camcorder enters Record-Standby mode.

- If you press and hold **START/STOP** within 5 seconds after recording starts, Record-Standby mode is not engaged.

### 4 END 5-SECOND MODE RECORDING

Set the Power Dial to the "A", "M" or "OFF" position.

#### To Take A Snapshot In The 5-Second Mode . . .

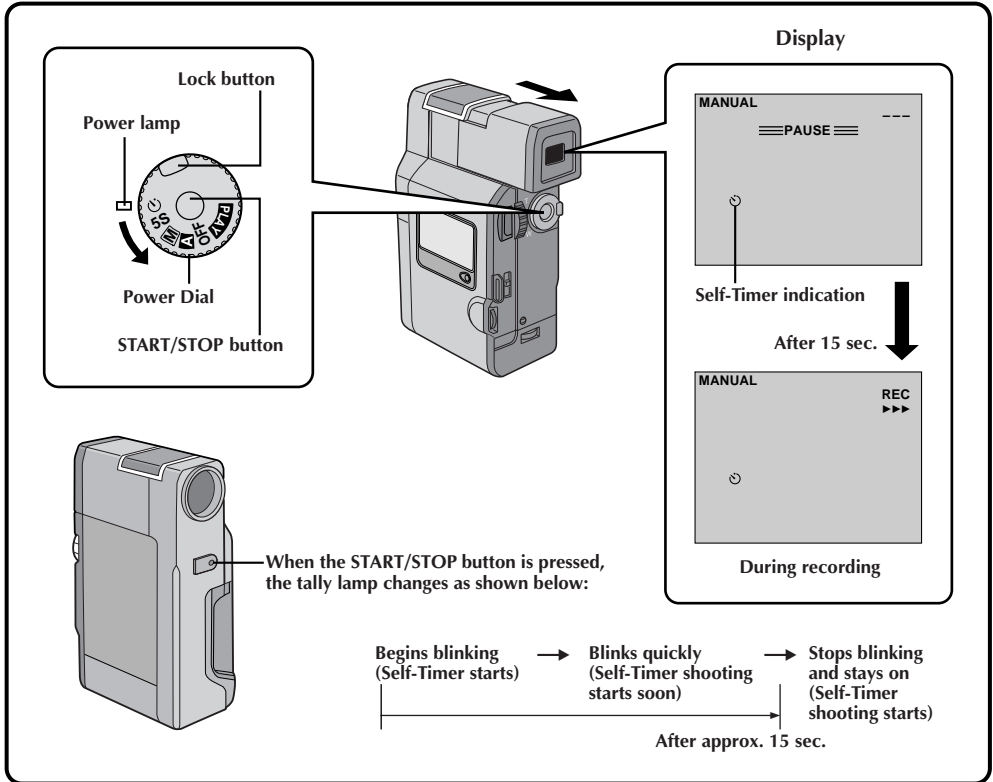
.... instead of pressing **START/STOP** in step 3, press **SNAPSHOT**. The camcorder records a 6-second still (☞ pg. 28). When "SCENE" is set to "ANIM." (☞ pg. 34), this function is not available.

#### NOTE:

When "SCENE" is set to "ANIM." in the System Menu, the 5-second recording function is not available. Animation recording of a 1/8-second clip is taken instead (☞ pg. 34).

## Self-Timer

Once the camcorder is set, the camcorder operator can become part of the scene in a more natural way adding the final touch to a memorable picture.



### 1 SELECT OPERATION MODE

Turn the Power Dial to “☺” while pressing down the lock button located on the dial.

### 2 PULL OUT VIEWFINDER

Pull out the viewfinder fully. The Self-Timer indication appears.

- The camcorder enters the Record-Standby mode.

### 3 ENGAGE SELF-TIMER MODE

Press START/STOP.  
After 15 seconds, the beep sounds and recording begins.

### 4 STOP SELF-TIMER RECORDING

Press START/STOP.

- The camcorder re-enters Record-Standby mode.

### 5 END SELF-TIMER RECORDING

Set the Power Dial to the “A”, “M” or “OFF” position.

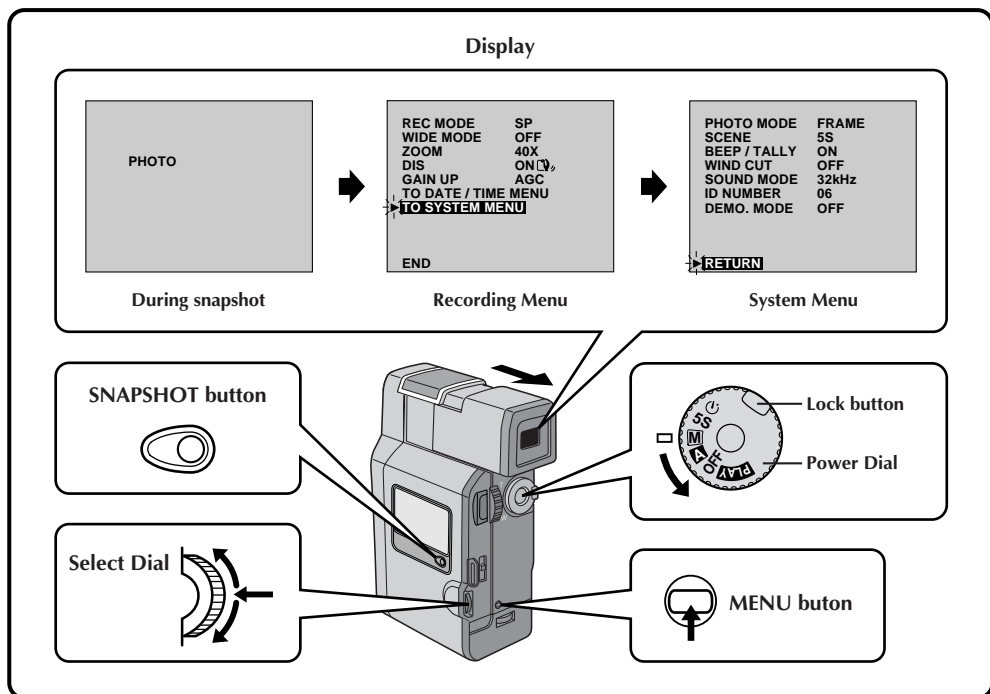
- When turning to “OFF”, it is not necessary to press down the lock button.

#### To Take A Snapshot In The Self-Timer Mode . . .

.... in step 3, press **SNAPSHOT** instead of **START/STOP**. After 15 seconds, a 6-second still is recorded. After that, the camcorder enters the Record-Standby mode.

## Snapshot

Use your camcorder like a regular camera and take a snapshot, or several of them in succession.



**1 SELECT OPERATION MODE**  
First turn the Power Dial to “M” while pressing down the lock button located on the dial. Make sure the viewfinder is pulled out.

**2 ACCESS RECORDING MENU**  
Press MENU. The Recording Menu appears.

**3 ACCESS SYSTEM MENU**  
Move the pointer and highlight bar to “TO SYSTEM MENU” by rotating the Select Dial. Press it and the System Menu appears.

**4 SELECT SNAPSHOT MODE**  
Move the pointer and highlight bar to “PHOTO MODE” by rotating the Select Dial. Press it and choose the appropriate mode among the five Snapshot modes (see pg. 29) by rotating it. Stop when the one you want is displayed and press it again. The pointer and highlight bar automatically move to “RETURN”. Press the Select Dial twice. Selection is complete and the menu disappears.

**5 TAKE SNAPSHOT**  
Press the SNAPSHOT Button.

*If you press during Record-Standby . . .*

.... “PHOTO” appears and a still image will be recorded for approx. 6 seconds, then the camcorder re-enters the Record-Standby mode.

*If you press during Recording . . .*

.... “PHOTO” appears and a still image will be recorded for approx. 6 seconds, then the normal recording resumes.

FULL\*  
(Snapshot mode  
with no frame)



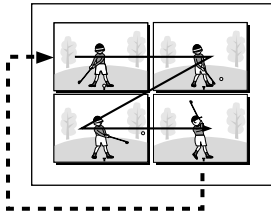
FRAME\*  
(Snapshot mode  
with frame)



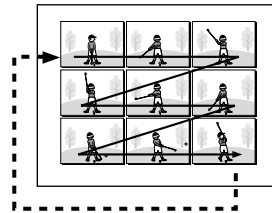
PIN-UP  
(Pin-Up mode)



MULTI 4  
(Multi-Analyzer 4)



MULTI 9  
(Multi-Analyzer 9)



\* : There is a momentary camera shutter-type blackout.

### Motor Drive mode:

Keeping the **SNAPSHOT** Button pressed provides an effect similar to serial photography. (The interval between the still pictures: approx. 0.7 seconds.)

### NOTES:

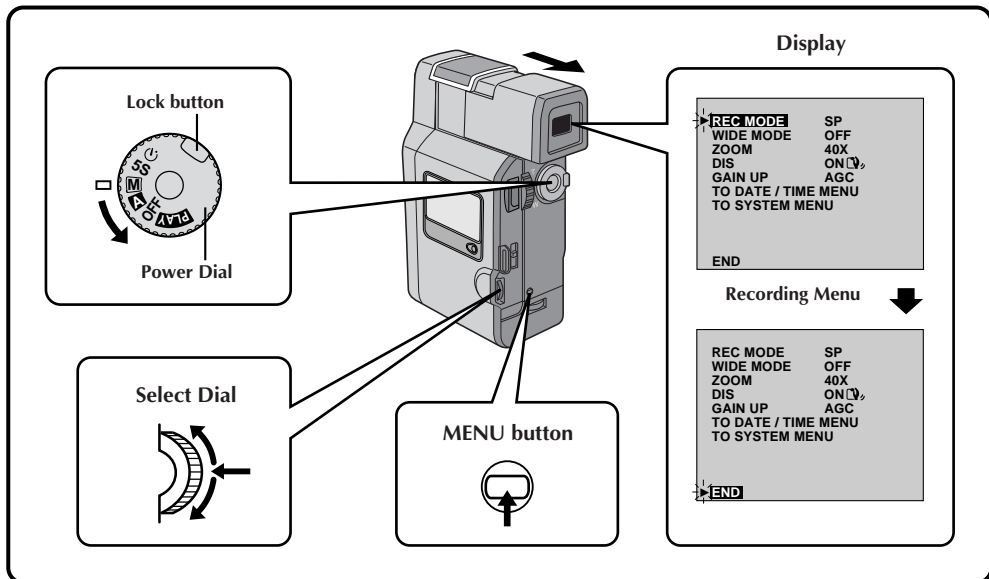
- In Full Auto mode, all Snapshot modes are available. However, the Snapshot mode cannot be changed.
- During playback as well, all Snapshot modes are available.
- However, during playback, "MULTI 4" and "MULTI 9" are not available when the "MONOTONE" or "SEPIA" playback effect (☞ pg. 51) is selected.
- The Snapshot mode is not possible while Digital Zoom (zoom magnification of over 10X, ☞ pg. 32) is activated.
- If certain P.AE/Effects (☞ pg. 42) are activated, some Snapshot modes cannot be used. If you select a Snapshot mode that is unusable in the current situation, the "PHOTO" indication blinks when you press the **SNAPSHOT** button.

## Menus

The Recording Menu allows you to set these functions:

Recording Mode, Wide Mode, Zoom Magnification, Digital Image Stabilizer, Gain Up, Date/Time Menu, System Menu. The following selection procedure applies to Recording Mode, Wide Mode, Zoom Magnification, Stabilization and Gain Up.

Please refer to pages 31, 32 for details.



### 1 SELECT OPERATION MODE

First turn the Power Dial to "M" while pressing down the lock button located on the dial, make sure the viewfinder is pulled out.

### 2 ACCESS RECORDING MENU

Press MENU. The Recording Menu appears.

### 3 SELECT FUNCTION

Move the pointer and highlight bar to the desired function by rotating the Select Dial, then press it. The pointer stops blinking, indicating that the function has been selected.

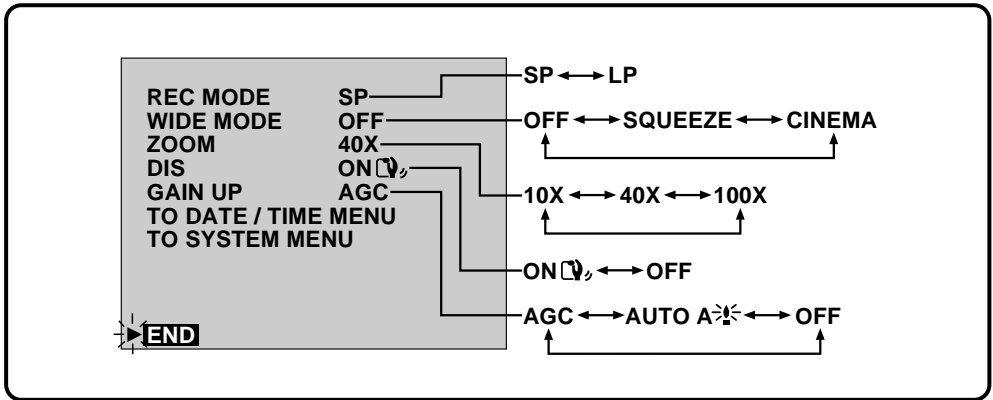
### 4 SET FUNCTION PARAMETERS

Cycle the available settings of the selected function by rotating the Select Dial. Stop when the one you need is displayed. Then press it, and the pointer and highlight bar automatically move to "END".

- To set the parameters for a different function, repeat steps 3 and 4.

### 5 CLOSE RECORDING MENU

Press the Select Dial. Selection is complete and the menu disappears.



## REC MODE (Recording mode)


You can change the tape recording speed. LP tape speed is slower than SP, allowing LP to record 1.5 times longer than SP.

### NOTES:

- Tapes shot in LP mode are recommended to be played back on this unit. Playback may not be successful on other units.
- When the Power Dial is set to "A", the manually adjusted recording mode is used.

## WIDE MODE

This recording mode is compatible with wide-screen TVs (16:9 aspect ratio). When using this mode, please refer to your wide-screen TV's instruction manual.

**SQUEEZE**—For playback on TVs with an aspect ratio of 16:9. Naturally expands the image to fit the screen without distortion.  appears. During playback/recording on 4:3 TVs/viewfinder, the image is elongated vertically.

**CINEMA**—Inserts black bands at the top and bottom of the screen. During playback on wide-screen TVs, the black bands at the top and bottom of the screen are cut and the screen ratio becomes 16:9. During playback/recording on 4:3 TVs/viewfinder, black bands are inserted at the top and bottom of the screen and the image appears like a letterboxed 16:9 movie.

**OFF**—Select "OFF" when you don't want to use either of the above modes.

### NOTES:

- When playing back a tape recorded in Squeeze and Cinema, Squeeze cannot be distinguished from Cinema during fast-forward or rewind.
- During Full-Auto operation, both Squeeze and Cinema modes are unusable.

## ZOOM (Zoom magnification)




You can select 10X, 40X, or 100X maximum zoom magnifications.

**10X**—Optical zoom that does not degrade the quality of the recording.

**40X**—Electronic processing (Digital zoom) that lets you get closer up.



**100X**—Electronically-processed images at 100-times magnification.

### NOTES:

- Even if 40X or 100X is selected, Digital Zoom (magnification of over 10X) cannot be used while functions done through Digital image processing (5SD mode,  pg. 26, Picture Wipe/Dissolve function,  pg. 37, Snapshot,  pg. 28, etc.) are activated.
- During Full-Auto mode, 40X is selected automatically.

## DIS (Digital Image Stabilizer)



When recording while holding the camcorder in your hand, or when shooting a subject with little or no contrast, subtle hand movements will cause shakiness in the recorded image.

**ON**  —Compensates for relatively small shakes that occur when shooting close up. “” appears during recording.

**OFF**—When shooting with the camcorder in a fixed position or on a tripod, set the Stabilizer to “OFF”.

If you leave it on and then move or turn the camera to follow a moving subject, unnecessary compensation occurs and this can result in an unnatural recorded image.



### NOTES:

- Even if the stabilizer is set to “ON ” in Manual mode, it is automatically set to “OFF” in Full Auto Mode.
- The Stabilizer cannot compensate for drastic hand movements while shooting.
- The Stabilizer will not work if the scene has little or no contrast.
- The “” indicator appears blinking if the Stabilizer cannot be used.

## GAIN UP

Bright, natural recordings can be taken even in areas with low or poor lighting.

**AGC**—This is automatically activated during Full Auto mode. The overall appearance is jagged, but the image is bright.

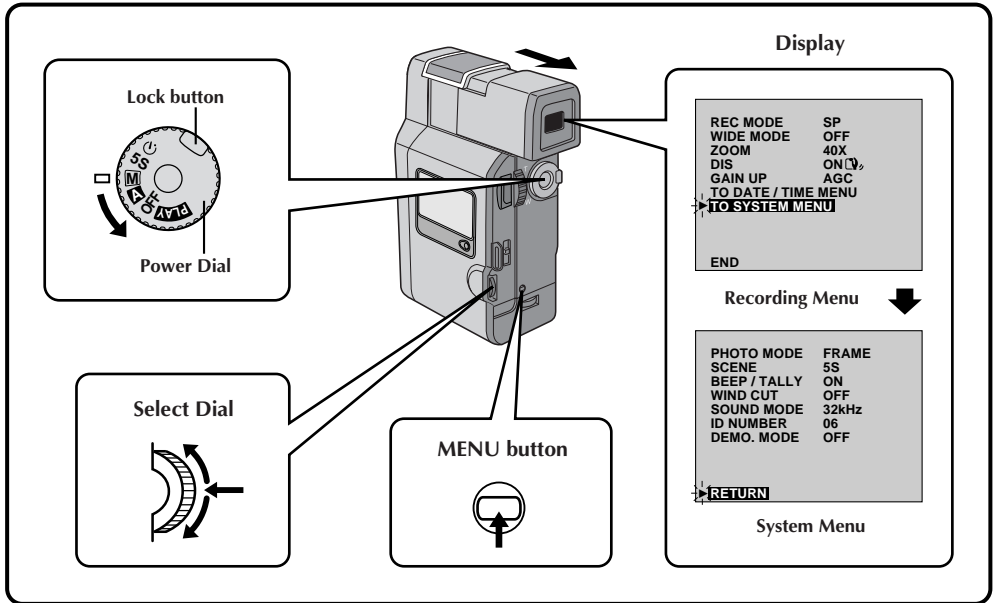
**AUTO**  —The shutter speed is automatically adjusted (1/30 — 1/200 sec.). Shooting a subject in low or poor lighting at 1/30 sec. shutter speed provides a brighter image than in the AGC mode, but the subject's movements are not smooth or natural. When set to this mode, “” is displayed.

**OFF**—Select this setting when lighting is not a problem. Enables recording of the actual brightness you see.



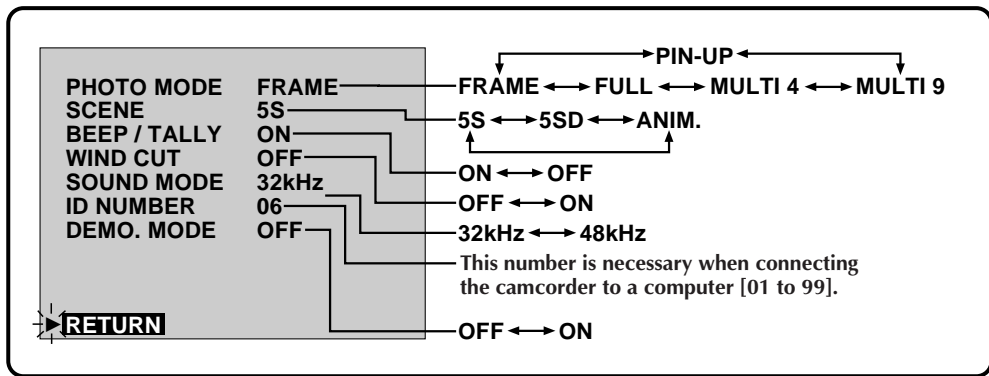
## System Menu

The System Menu allows you to set the following functions: *Snapshot*, *Scene*, *Beep/Tally*, *Wind Cut*, *Sound Mode*, *ID numbers* and *Demonstration Mode*.



- 1 SELECT OPERATION MODE**  
First turn the Power Dial to "M" while pressing down the lock button located on the dial, make sure the viewfinder is pulled out.
- 2 ACCESS RECORDING MENU**  
Press MENU. The Recording Menu appears.
- 3 ACCESS SYSTEM MENU**  
Move the pointer and highlight bar to "TO SYSTEM MENU" by rotating the Select Dial, then press it. The System Menu appears.
- 4 SELECT FUNCTION**  
Move the pointer and highlight bar to the desired function by rotating the Select Dial, then press it. The pointer stops blinking, indicating that the function has been selected.

- 5 SET FUNCTION PARAMETERS**  
Rotate the Select Dial to cycle through the available settings for the selected function, and stop when the desired setting appears. Then press it, and the pointer and highlight bar automatically move to "RETURN".
  - To set the parameters for a different function, repeat steps 4 and 5.
- 6 CLOSE SYSTEM MENU**  
Press the Select Dial twice. Setting is complete and the System Menu disappears.



## PHOTO MODE

See pages 28 and 29.

### SCENE (5-Second Mode) (pg. 26)

**5S**—Pressing **START/STOP** allows you to take a 5-second “clip”. Press repeatedly for a succession of short recordings.

**5SD**—If you record a 5-second clip within 5 minutes after the previous one, the end of the old scene dissolves and is replaced by the new scene over a 2-second period.

**ANIM. (Animation)**—Each time you press **START/STOP**, a 1/8-second recording is taken. By using an inanimate object and changing its position between shots, you can record the subject as though it's moving.

- *Animation is not available in the LP mode. If you tried to record in the LP mode after setting ANIM., the recording mode indicator "LP" begins to blink, and recording goes on in the SP mode.*

### NOTE:

*During use of SCENE effect, focus (pg. 43) and exposure control (pg. 44) enter Full Auto operation.*

## BEEP/TALLY

The beep sounds when the power is turned on or off, and at the beginning and end of recording. Tally lamp lights up during recording.

**ON**—To activate the beep and tally lamp.

**OFF**—To turn off the beep and tally lamp.

## WIND CUT

When activated, this mode helps cut down on noise created by wind.

**ON**—When shooting in high winds, set to “ON” to reduce noise.

- “” appears.
- The quality of the sound will change. This is normal.

**OFF**—This function is disabled.

### NOTE:

*The Wind Cut mode is disabled during Full Auto operation.*

## SOUND MODE

Sound signals can be sampled at 32 kHz or 48 kHz.

**32 kHz**—This setting enables recording of stereo sound on four separate channels, and is recommended for use when performing Audio Dubbing with another digital camcorder.

**48 kHz**—This setting enables recording of stereo sound on two separate channels.

### NOTE:

*A tape recorded at 48 kHz cannot be used for Audio Dubbing with another digital camcorder.*

## DEMO. MODE (Demonstration Mode)

This setting demonstrates certain functions such as P.AE/Effects (pg. 42), etc., and can be used to confirm how these functions operate. When the camcorder is turned off, “DEMO. MODE” is set to “OFF”.

### NOTE:

*If a tape is in the camcorder, the Demo mode cannot be turned on.*

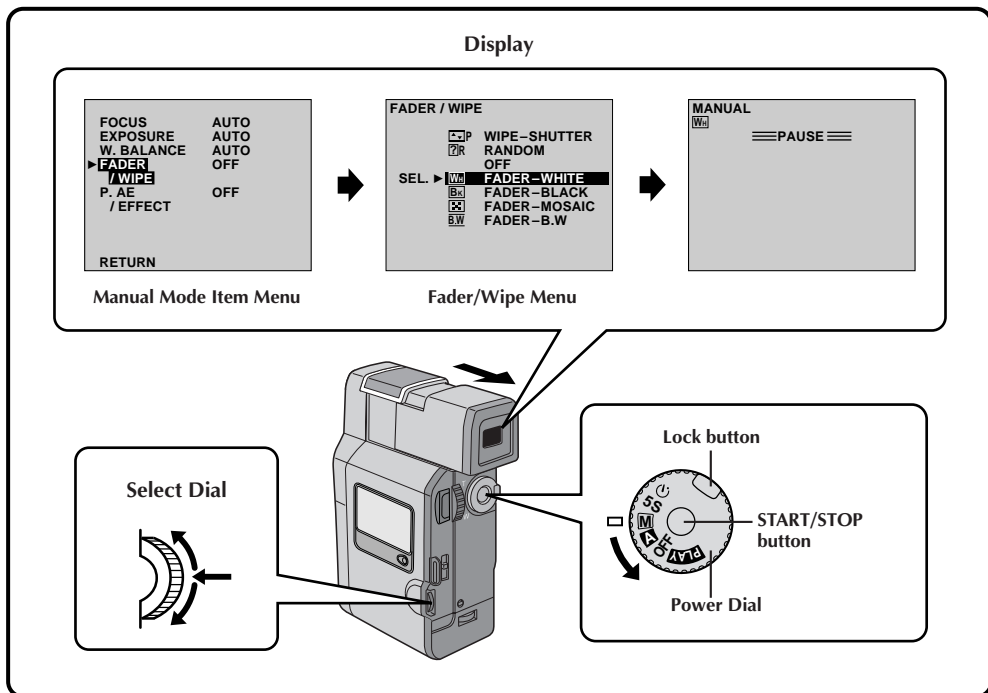
## FADE/WIPE Effects

### IMPORTANT:

If certain P.AE/Effects (☞ pg. 42) are activated, some Fade/Wipe Effects cannot be used. If you select a Fade/Wipe Effect that is unusable in the current situation, the indication blinks.

Use these to spice up the transition from one scene to the next. You can also vary transitions from scene to scene. Refer to pages 35 – 40 for Fade/Wipe effects and techniques.

Select any one effect from the Fader/Wipe Menu.



**1 SELECT OPERATION MODE**  
First turn the Power Dial to “M” while pressing down the lock button located on the dial, make sure the viewfinder is pulled out.

**2 ACCESS MANUAL MODE ITEM MENU**  
Press the Select Dial.

**3 ACCESS FADER/WIPE MENU**  
Move the pointer and highlight bar to “FADER/WIPE” by rotating the Select Dial and then press it. The Fader/Wipe Menu appears.

**4 SELECT EFFECT**  
Move the pointer and highlight bar to the desired effect by rotating the Select Dial, then press it.

• The Fader/Wipe Menu disappears and the effect is reserved. The indicator representing the selected effect appears.

**5 START RECORDING**  
Press START/STOP to start recording and activate fade- or wipe- in

OR . . .

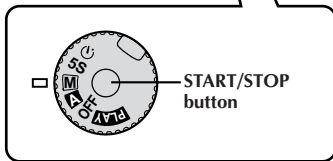
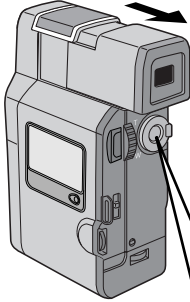
**END RECORDING**  
Press START/STOP to end recording and activate fade- or wipe- out.

**6 TO CANCEL FADE/WIPE EFFECTS**  
In step 4, move the pointer and highlight bar to “OFF”. Press the Select Dial.

## Fades and Wipes

A scene gradually appears on a black or white screen (Fade In/Wipe In), or disappears, leaving a black or white screen (Fade Out/Wipe Out). Select Fade or Wipe at the Fader/Wipe Menu (☞ pg. 35).

Select any one effect from **Wh**, **Bk**, **W**, **B.W**, **L**, **□**, **◀**, **▶**, **▲** and **▼** of the Fader/Wipe Menu.



START/STOP  
button

### FADE

Example **Wh** FADER – WHITE

Fade In



Fade Out

### WIPE

Example **▲** WIPE – SCROLL

Wipe In



Wipe Out

## 1 ACTIVATE FADE IN OR WIPE IN

Press **START/STOP** to start recording, and the Fade In or Wipe In occurs automatically.

## 2 ACTIVATE FADE OUT OR WIPE OUT

When you want to stop recording the scene, press **START/STOP**. Before the camcorder enters the Record-Standby mode, the Fade Out or Wipe Out occurs automatically.

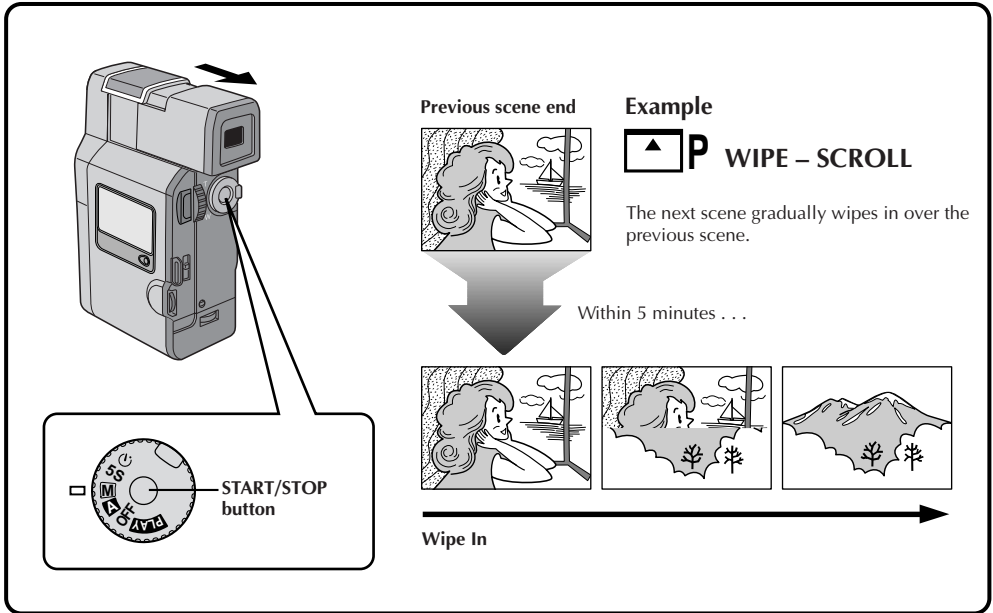
## NOTE:

You can extend the length of a fade or wipe by pressing and holding the **START/STOP** button.

## Picture Wipe/Dissolve

Combine the Picture Wipe and Dissolve functions for a professional transition effect. There are 6 Picture Wipe effects and 1 Dissolve effect. Select the Picture Wipe effect at the Fader/Wipe Menu (pg. 35).

Select any one effect from P, P, P, P, P, P and P of the Fader/Wipe Menu.



### 1 START RECORDING

Press START/STOP.

### 2 ENGAGE RECORD-STANDBY MODE

Press START/STOP when one scene is finished. The point at which the scene ended is stored in memory.

### 3 RESUME RECORDING

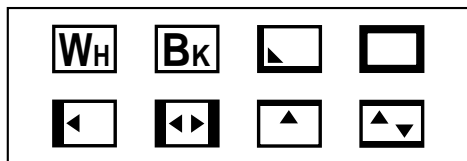
If you start recording a new scene within 5 minutes of the end of the previous recording (without having turned the camcorder's power off), the previous scene wipes out, revealing the new scene.

## NOTES:

- If the power is turned off after a scene is finished recording, the stored point is erased. This disables the Picture Wipe/Dissolve combination. When this happens, the Picture Wipe/Dissolve indicator blinks. Try recording again, but don't turn the power off when you're finished. Please be advised that power also shuts off automatically if 5 minutes elapse in the Record-Standby mode.
- The sound at the end of the last recorded scene is not stored.

## Random Variations

When **VR** is selected, the camcorder chooses one of the fades/wipes at random.



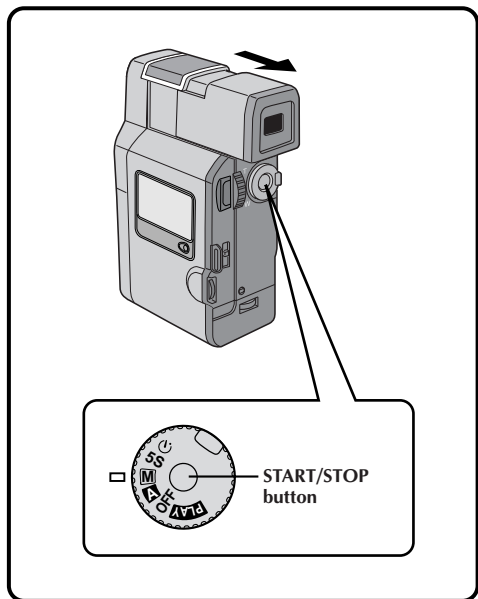
## 1 START RECORDING

Press **START/STOP**. The camcorder does the rest, selecting an effect at random.











- The recording starts with a Fade In or Wipe In. If you press **START/STOP** during recording, Record-Standby mode is preceded by a Fade Out or Wipe Out; when you resume recording, it begins with a Fade In or Wipe In.

### NOTE:









The Picture Wipe/Dissolve feature is not available when Random Fader is activated.



## FADER AND WIPE MENU

| MENU   | EFFECT  |
|--|---|
|  <b>FADER — WHITE</b>  | Fade in or out with a white screen.   |
|  <b>FADER — BLACK</b>  | Fade in or out with a black screen.   |
|  <b>FADER — MOSAIC</b> | Fade in or out with a full-screen mosaic effect.  |
|  <b>FADER — B.W</b>    | Fade in to a color screen from a black and white screen, or fade out from color to black and white.   |
|  <b>WIPE — CORNER</b>  | Wipe in on a black screen from the upper right to the lower left corner, or wipe out from lower left to upper right, leaving a black screen.                                    |
|  <b>WIPE — WINDOW</b>  | The scene starts in the center of a black screen and wipes in toward the corners, or comes in from the corners, gradually wiping out to the center.                             |
|  <b>WIPE — SLIDE</b>   | Wipe in from right to left, or wipe out from left to right.   |
|  <b>WIPE — DOOR</b>    | Wipe in as the two halves of a black screen open to the left and right, revealing the scene, or wipe out and the black screen reappears from left and right to cover the scene. |
|  <b>WIPE — SCROLL</b>  | The scene wipes in from the bottom to the top of a black screen, or wipes out from top to bottom, leaving a black screen.   |
|  <b>WIPE — SHUTTER</b> | Wipe in toward the center of a black screen from the top and bottom, or wipe out from the center toward the top and bottom, leaving a black screen.                             |

## FADER AND WIPE MENU (cont.)

| MENU   | EFFECT  |
|--|---|
|  <b>P DISSOLVE</b>       | The new scene gradually appears as the old one gradually disappears.  |
|  <b>P WIPE — CORNER</b>  | The new scene wipes in over the previous one from the upper right corner to the lower left corner.                                    |
|  <b>P WIPE — WINDOW</b>  | The next scene gradually wipes in from the center of the screen toward the corners, covering the previous scene.                      |
|  <b>P WIPE — SLIDE</b>   | The next scene gradually wipes in over the previous one from right to left.   |
|  <b>P WIPE — DOOR</b>    | The previous scene wipes out from the center to the right and left, like a door being pushed open to reveal the next scene.           |
|  <b>P WIPE — SCROLL</b>  | The new scene wipes in over the last one from the bottom of the screen to the top.  |
|  <b>P WIPE — SHUTTER</b> | The new scene wipes in over the previous one from the center toward the top and bottom of the screen.                                 |
|  <b>R RANDOM</b>         | When this function is activated, the camcorder randomly selects the effect used in scene transition (from the Fade and Wipe effects). |

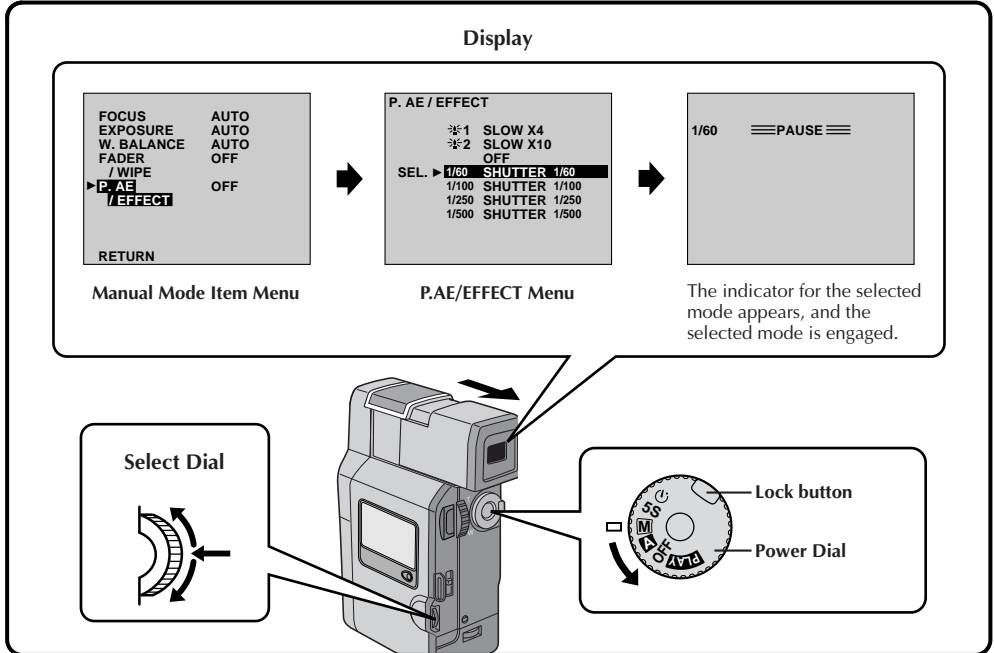


## P.AE/Effects

### IMPORTANT:

If certain Fades or Wipes (☞ pg. 39, 40) are activated, some P.AE/Effects cannot be used. If you select a P.AE/Effect that is unusable in the current situation, the effect's symbol begins flashing.

You can choose any one of the effects from the P.AE/Effect Menu.



### 1 SELECT OPERATION MODE

First turn the Power Dial to "M" while pressing down the lock button located on the dial, make sure the viewfinder is pulled out.

### 2 ACCESS MANUAL MODE ITEM MENU

Press the Select Dial and move the pointer and highlight bar to "P.AE/EFFECT" by rotating the Select Dial.

### 3 ACCESS P.AE/EFFECT SELECT MENU

Press the Select Dial. The P.AE/Effect Menu appears.

### 4 SELECT EFFECT

Move the pointer and highlight bar to the desired effect by rotating the Select Dial, then press it.

- The P.AE/Effect Menu disappears and the selected mode is activated. The symbol of the selected mode appears.

### 5 START RECORDING

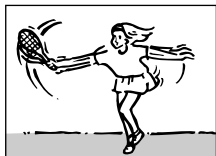
Press **START/STOP**. The image begins with the selected effect.

### 6 DISABLE P.AE/EFFECT

To turn off the selected effect, re-access the P.AE/Effect Menu and move the pointer and highlight bar to "OFF" by rotating the Select Dial. Then press it.

### NOTE:

*P.AE/Effects can be changed during recording or during Record-Standby.*

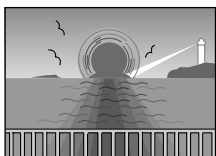


### SHUTTER (Variable Shutter Speed)

**1/60**—The shutter speed is fixed at 1/60th of a second. Black bands that usually appear when shooting a TV screen become narrower.

**1/100**—The shutter speed is fixed at 1/100th of a second. The flickering that occurs when shooting under a fluorescent light or mercury-vapor lamp is reduced.

**1/250, 1/500**—These settings allow fast-moving images to be captured one frame at a time, for vivid, stable slow-motion playback. The faster the shutter speed, the darker the picture becomes. Use the shutter function under good lighting conditions.



### TWILIGHT

Makes evening scenes look more natural. White Balance (☞ pg. 46) is initially set to ☀, but can be changed to your desired setting. When Twilight is chosen, the camcorder automatically adjusts the focus from approx. 10 m to infinity. From less than 10 m, adjust the focus manually.



### SEPIA

Recorded scenes have a brownish tint like old photos. Combine this with the Cinema mode for a classic look.

### B/W MONOTONE

Like classic black and white films, your footage is shot in B/W. Used together with the Cinema mode, it enhances the “classic film” effect.



### CLASSIC FILM

Gives recorded scenes a strobe effect.



### STROBE

Your recording looks like a series of consecutive snapshots.

### SLOW (Slow Shutter)

You can light dark subjects or areas even brighter than they would be under good natural lighting.



1 SLOW X4

The Shutter Speed is set to 1/15th of a second to quadruple the sensitivity.



2 SLOW X10

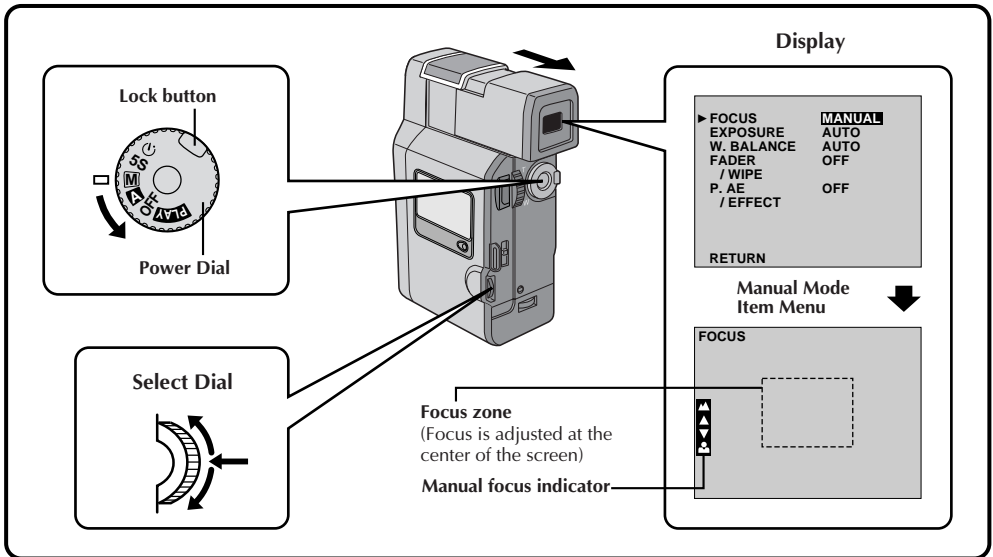
The Shutter Speed is set to 1/6th of a second to provide 10 times the sensitivity.

### NOTES:

- When using Slow Shutter, the image takes on a strobe-like effect.
- Use Slow Shutter only in dark areas.
- The Manual Focus indication may appear and flash when Slow Shutter is in use.
- If the image is out of focus, adjust manually. It is also recommended that you use a tripod, if possible.

## Manual Focus Adjustment

The camcorder, in most cases, adjusts the focus from approx. 5 cm to infinity automatically. However, when focusing is difficult or when the subject is not in the middle of the viewfinder, adjust the focus manually. Factory preset is "AUTO".



### 1 SELECT OPERATION MODE

First turn the Power Dial to "M" while pressing down the lock button located on the dial, make sure the viewfinder is pulled out.

### 2 ACCESS MANUAL MODE ITEM MENU

Press the Select Dial. The Manual Mode Item Menu appears.

### 3 ACCESS MANUAL FOCUS

Move the pointer and highlight bar to "FOCUS" by rotating the Select Dial, then press it. Rotate the Select Dial to display "MANUAL", then press it. The Manual Mode Item Menu disappears and "FOCUS" is displayed in the upper left corner. The focus is locked at this point.

### 4 ADJUST FOCUS

Rotate the Select Dial.

- "▲" blinks while rotating the Select Dial upward to focus on faraway targets, and "▼" blinks while rotating the Select Dial downward to focus on closer targets.
- When the focus reaches its near or far limit, the "▲" or "▼" will begin blinking.
- When focus cannot be adjusted manually, try zooming in or out, then try the manual focus adjustment again.

### 5 END ADJUSTMENT OF FOCUS

Press the Select Dial. Focus adjustment is complete. The indication changes from "FOCUS" to "MANUAL".

- If you want to reset the focus, repeat from step 2.

### To Change To Auto Focus . . .

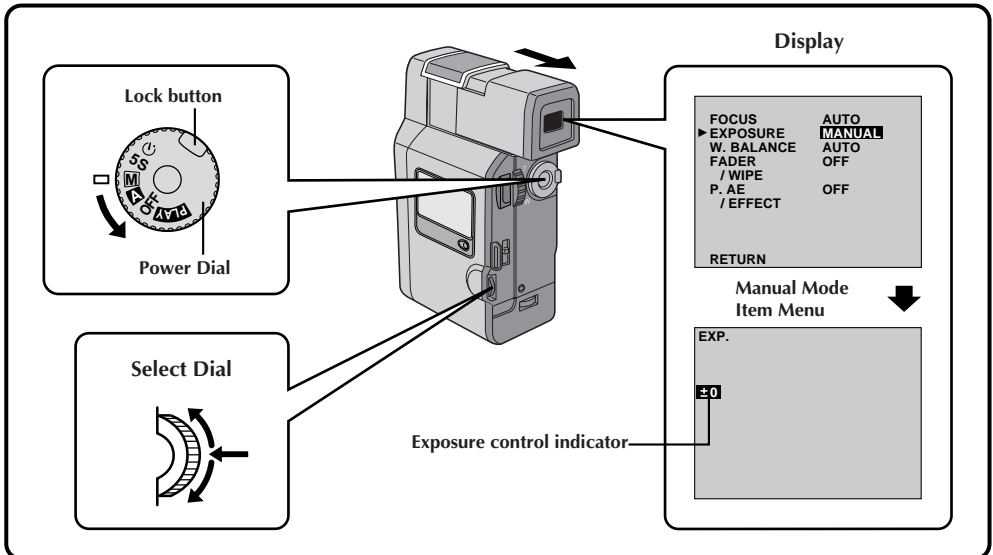
.... rotate the Select Dial to display "AUTO" then press it in step 3. The manual focus indicators disappear. Or set the Power Dial to "A".

### NOTES:

- After the Power Dial is set to "OFF", Manual Focus is reset to "AUTO".
- Manual focus is recommended in the following situations:
  - When shooting a flat wall, a blue sky or an object with little or no contrast.
  - When wire or other obstacles come between the camcorder and the subject.
  - When shooting objects with a detailed design or pattern.
  - When shooting under fluorescent or flickering lighting.

## Exposure Control

Usually this is adjusted automatically. However, when the background is too bright or too dark in comparison with the subject, the exposure could be corrected manually. Factory preset is "AUTO".



### 1 SELECT OPERATION MODE

First turn the Power Dial to "M" while pressing down the lock button located on the dial, make sure the viewfinder is pulled out.

### 2 ACCESS MANUAL MODE ITEM MENU

Press the Select Dial. The Manual Mode Item Menu appears.

### 3 ACCESS EXPOSURE CONTROL

Move the pointer and highlight bar to "EXPOSURE" by rotating the Select Dial, then press it. Rotate the Select Dial to display "MANUAL", then press it. The Manual Mode Item Menu disappears and "EXP." and the Exposure Control indicator are displayed.

### 4 ADJUST EXPOSURE

Rotate the Select Dial to brighten or darken the image.

- The adjustment range is from -6 to +6.

### 5 END ADJUSTMENT OF EXPOSURE

Press the Select Dial. Exposure adjustment is complete. The indication "EXP." changes to "MANUAL".

- If you want to reset the exposure, repeat step 2.

### To Return To Automatic Exposure Control . . .

.... rotate the Select Dial to display "AUTO" then press it in step 3. The Exposure Control indicator disappears. Or set the Power Dial to "A".

### NOTES:

- After the Power Dial is set to "OFF", Exposure Control is reset to "AUTO".
- Manual exposure adjustment is recommended in the following situations:
  - When shooting using reverse lighting or when the background is too bright.
  - When shooting on a reflective natural background such as at the beach or when skiing.
  - When the background is overly dark or the subject light.

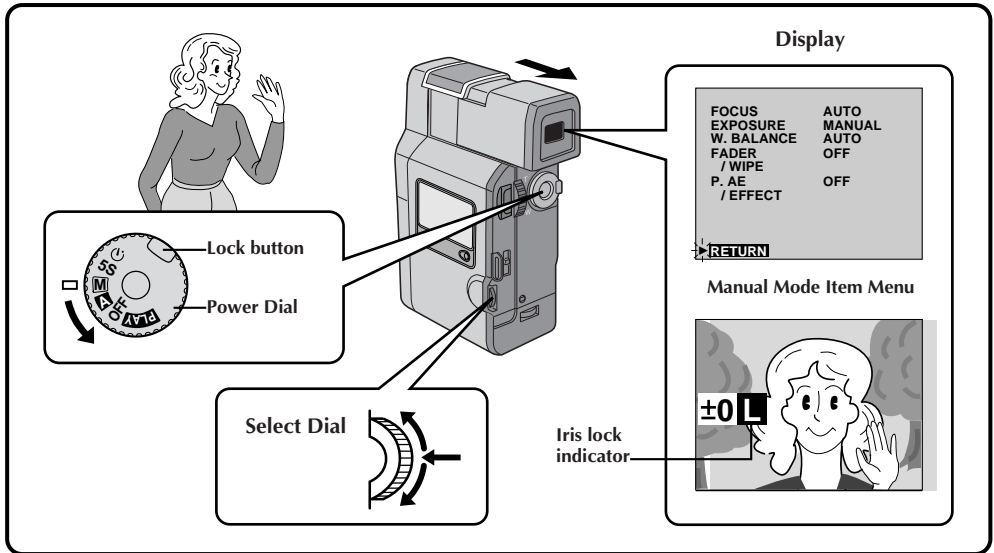
### Brightness control of the display

To adjust the brightness of the display, rotate the Select Dial (☞ pg. 21). Note that the actual recorded image's brightness can not be changed by rotating this dial.

## Iris Lock

Use this function when shooting a moving subject, when zooming, when the subject changes its distance (thus its size in the viewfinder), or when you want to lock the brightness level.

When the subject is close, keep the iris locked. Even when the subject moves away from you, the image will not darken.



- 1 SELECT OPERATION MODE**  
First turn the Power Dial to "M" while pressing down the lock button located on the dial, make sure the viewfinder is pulled out.
- 2 ACCESS MANUAL MODE ITEM MENU**  
Press the Select Dial. The Manual Mode Item Menu appears.
- 3 ACCESS EXPOSURE CONTROL**  
Move the pointer and highlight bar to "EXPOSURE" by rotating the Select Dial and then press it. Rotate the Select Dial to display "MANUAL", then press it. "EXP." is displayed.
- 4 CENTER SUBJECT, LOCK IRIS**  
Adjust zoom so that the subject fills the viewfinder, then press and hold the Select Dial for over 2 seconds. The exposure setting display and "L" appear, indicating that the iris is locked.  
Press the Select Dial. The indication displayed in the upper left corner changes from "EXP." to "MANUAL".

### To Return To Automatic Iris Control . . .

.... rotate the Select Dial to display "AUTO" then press it in step 3. The Exposure Control indicator and "L" disappear. Or set the Power Dial to "A".

### NOTES:

*Iris lock is recommended in the following situations:*

- When shooting on a reflective natural background such as at the beach or when skiing.
- When shooting objects under a spotlight.
- When the subject is backing away.
- When zooming.

### To lock the exposure control and the iris . . .

.... after step 3, adjust the exposure rotating the Select Dial. Then lock the iris in step 4. For automatic locking, rotate the Select Dial to display "AUTO", then press it in step 3. The iris becomes automatic after about 2 seconds.

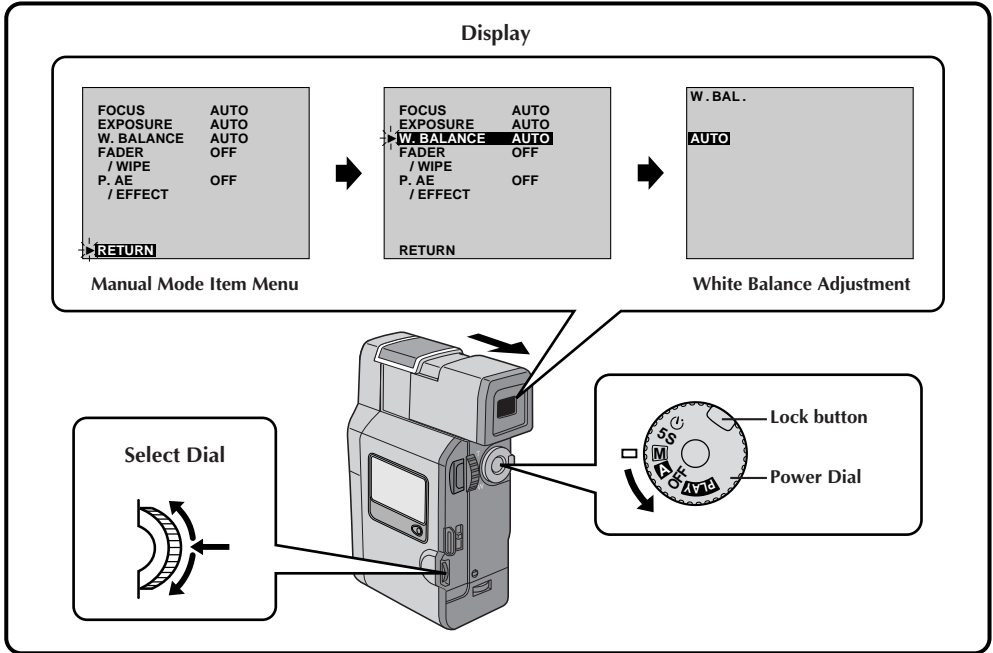
### Iris

Works like the pupil of the human eye. In a well-lit environment, the human pupil contracts to keep too much light from entering. In low lighting, the pupil dilates to allow more light in.

## White Balance Adjustment

A term that refers to the correctness of color reproduction under various lighting. If the white balance is correct, all other colors will be accurately reproduced.

The white balance is usually adjusted automatically. However, the more advanced camcorder operator would prefer to control this function manually and achieve a more professional color/tint reproduction.



### 1 SELECT OPERATION MODE

First turn the Power Dial to "M" while pressing down the lock button located on the dial, make sure the viewfinder is pulled out.

### 2 ACCESS MANUAL MODE ITEM MENU

Press the Select Dial. The Manual Mode Item Menu appears.

### 3 ACCESS WHITE BALANCE ADJUSTMENT

Move the pointer and highlight bar to "W.BALANCE" by rotating the Select Dial. Then press it. The Manual Mode Item menu disappears and "W.BAL." appears in the upper left corner and "AUTO" appears on the screen.

### 4 SET FUNCTION PARAMETERS

Cycle through the available settings of the selected functions by rotating the Select Dial, and stop when the one you want is displayed.

### 5 CLOSE WHITE BALANCE ADJUSTMENT

Press the Select Dial again. Selection is complete. The indication "W. BAL." changes to "MANUAL".

**To Return To Automatic White Balance . . .**  
 .... select "AUTO" in step 3. Or set the Power Dial to "A".

### NOTES:

- White balance cannot be used when P.AE/Effects Sepia or Monotone are activated.
- During 5-second recording, manually adjusted White Balance Adjustment settings are used, although other menu settings are the same as in Full Auto mode.

**AUTO**—The white balance is adjusted automatically. This is the factory preset position.

— When shooting with the white balance already having been set on the subject (☞ pg. 47).

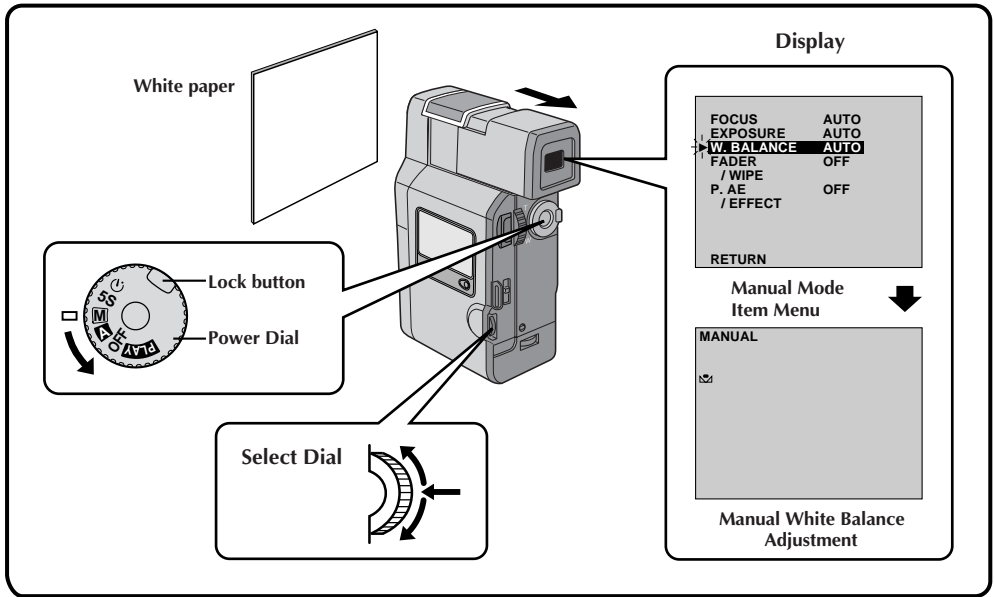
— When shooting outdoors on a sunny day.

— When shooting outdoors on a cloudy day.

— When using a video light or other similar type of lighting.



## Manual White Balance Operation


If the camera is operating in manual mode, perform a Manual White Balance when shooting under various types of lighting



**1 SELECT OPERATION MODE**  
Follow steps 1 through 4 of the white balance adjustment (pg. 46), select "MAN.".

**2 SET MANUAL WHITE BALANCE**  
Hold a sheet of plain white paper in front of the subject. Adjust zoom or position yourself so that the white paper fills the screen.

**3 ENTER SETTING**  
Press the Select Dial until the  begins blinking.  
• When the setting is completed, the  stops blinking.

**4 EXIT MANUAL WHITE BALANCE ADJUSTMENT**  
Press the Select Dial. The indication "W.BAL." changes to "MANUAL" and only the Manual White Balance indicator  is displayed.

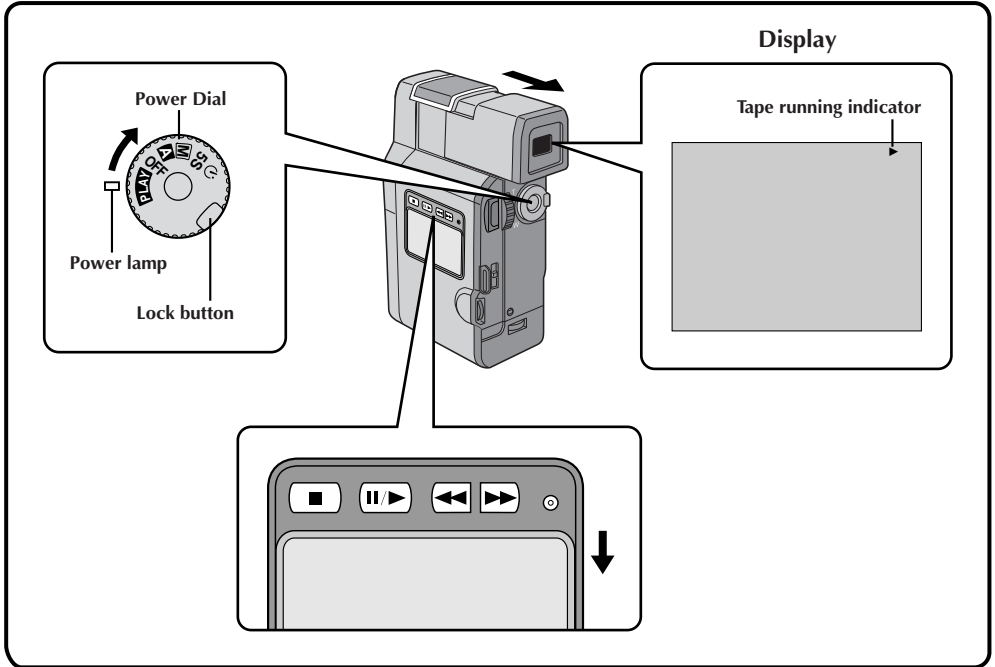
### To Change The Tint For Recording . . .

.... in step 2, substitute colored paper for white. The white balance is adjusted based on the color, changing the tint. Red paper — deeper green; blue paper — orange; yellow paper — deeper purple.

### NOTES:

- A subject can be shot under various types of lighting conditions indoors (natural, fluorescent, candlelight, etc.). Because the color temperature is different depending on the light source, the tint of the subject will differ depending on the white balance settings. Use this function for a more natural result.
- Once you adjust white balance during Manual White Balance operation, the setting is retained even if the power is turned off or the battery removed.

You can watch what you've recorded in the viewfinder.



**1 SELECT OPERATION MODE**  
Turn the Power Dial to "PLAY" while pressing down the lock button located on the dial. The Power lamp comes on.

**2 PULL OUT VIEWFINDER**  
Pull out the viewfinder.

**3 REWIND TAPE**  
Press ◀. ◀◀ is displayed. If you rewind all the way to the end of the tape, it stops automatically.

**4 VIEWING RECORDING**  
Press II>. ▶ appears and the recorded footage can be viewed. The sound is heard from the speaker.

**5 END PLAYBACK**  
Press ■. Set the Power Dial to "OFF".

- When turning to "OFF", it is not necessary to press down the lock button.



### To Perform High-Speed Search . . .

- .... press ◀◀ or ▶▶ after pressing II/▶. The tape will move at approximately 9 times the normal playback speed. Watch in the viewfinder and, when you reach the spot you want to see, press II/▶ and normal playback resumes.
- .... during playback, press and hold ◀◀ or ▶▶. The search continues as long as you hold the button. Once you release it, normal playback resumes.
- .... a slight mosaic effect appears on screen during High-Speed Search. This is not a malfunction.

### Still Playback

To temporarily stop playback, press II/▶. Press again to resume playback. If still playback continues for more than about 3 minutes, the camcorder's Stop mode is automatically engaged. After 5 minutes in the stop mode, the camcorder's power is automatically turned off.

### Slow-Motion Playback

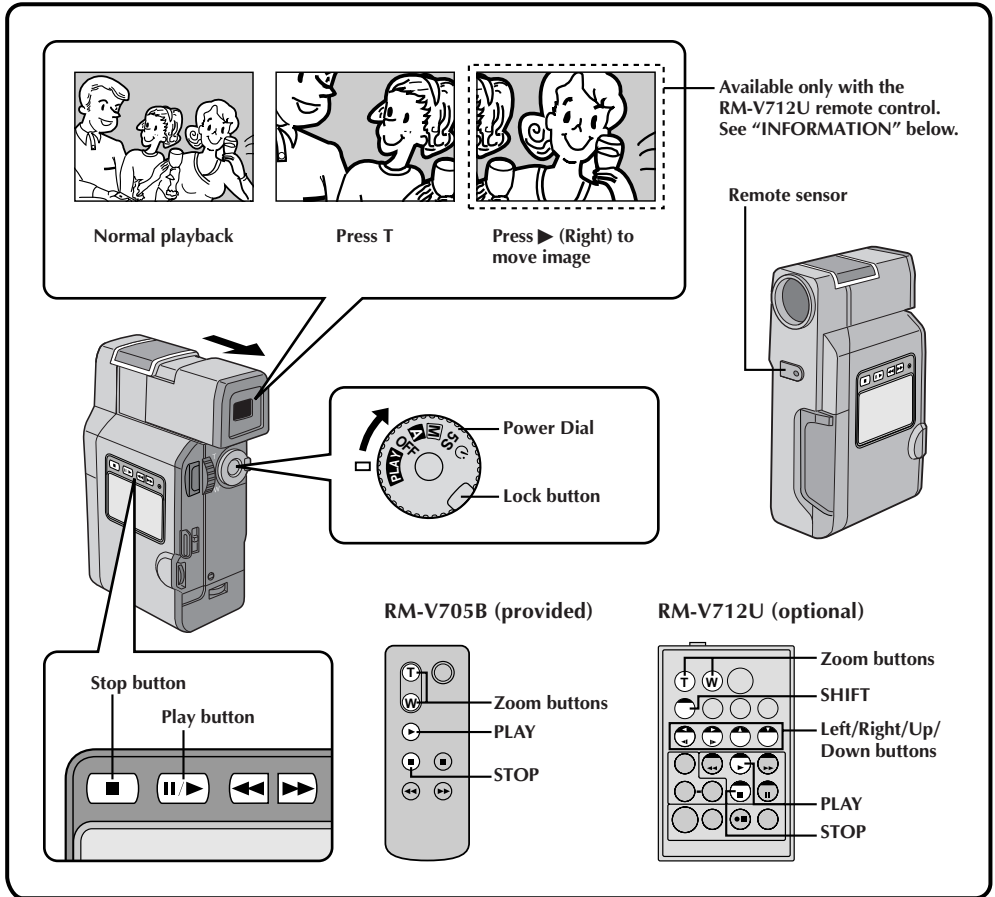
- To perform Slow-motion playback, the optional RM-V712U remote control is necessary.
- To change from normal to slow-motion playback, press the Pause button at the point where you want to start playback in slow motion, point the remote control at the remote sensor, and press the remote's Slow Rewind or Slow Forward button. After playing back for about 20 seconds in Slow Rewind or after playing back for about 60 seconds in Slow Forward, normal playback resumes. To stop slow-motion playback in progress, press the Play button.
- During slow-motion playback, due to digital image processing, the picture may take on a mosaic effect.
- After the Slow Rewind or Slow Forward button is pressed, the still image may be displayed for a few seconds, then the screen may become blue back for a few seconds. This is not a malfunction.
- There may be a small margin between the slow-motion playback start point you chose and the start point at which the camcorder actually begins playback in slow motion.
- During Slow-motion playback, there will be disturbances in video. This is not a malfunction.

### NOTES:

- *The sound is not available during High-Speed Search.*
- *Copy guarded tapes cannot be played back. The screen becomes blue back.*

## Playback Zoom

The recorded pictures can be magnified up to 10X at any time during playback.



### 1 FIND THE SCENE OF INTEREST

Press the Play button to start playback.

### 2 ACTIVATE ZOOM

Press the zoom buttons (T/W) on the remote control. Make sure the remote control is pointed at the camcorder's remote sensor.

- Pressing T zooms in.

### 3 END ZOOM

Press and hold W until magnification returns to normal. Or, press STOP and then press PLAY.

## NOTES:

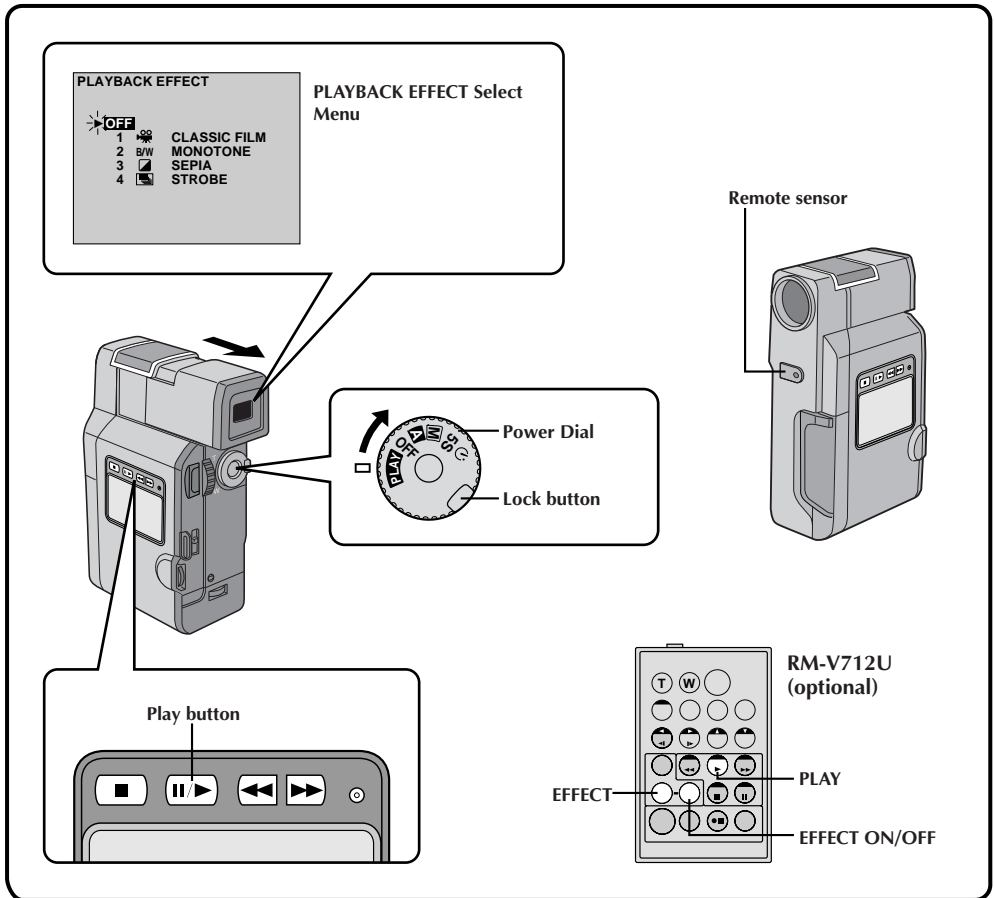
- Zoom can also be used during slow-motion and still playback.
- During digital image processing, the quality of the image may suffer.

## INFORMATION

The optional RM-V712U remote control (included in the VU-V63KITU Station Kit) enables you to move the image around on the TV screen to find a particular portion of the picture. While holding down SHIFT, press ◀ (Left), ▶ (Right), ▲ (Up) and ▼ (Down).

## Playback Effects

To use these playback effects, the optional RM-V712U remote control (included in the VU-V63KITU Station Kit) is necessary. These effects allow you to be creative with the playback picture. You can use any one of the 4 effects.



### 1 START PLAYBACK

Press the Play button (▶).

### 2 ACCESS PLAYBACK EFFECT SELECT MENU

Point the remote control at the camcorder's remote sensor and press **EFFECT**. The **PLAYBACK EFFECT Select Menu** appears.

### 3 SELECT PLAYBACK EFFECT

Move the pointer and highlight bar to the desired effect by pressing **EFFECT**. The selected function is activated and after 2 seconds the menu disappears.

## NOTES:

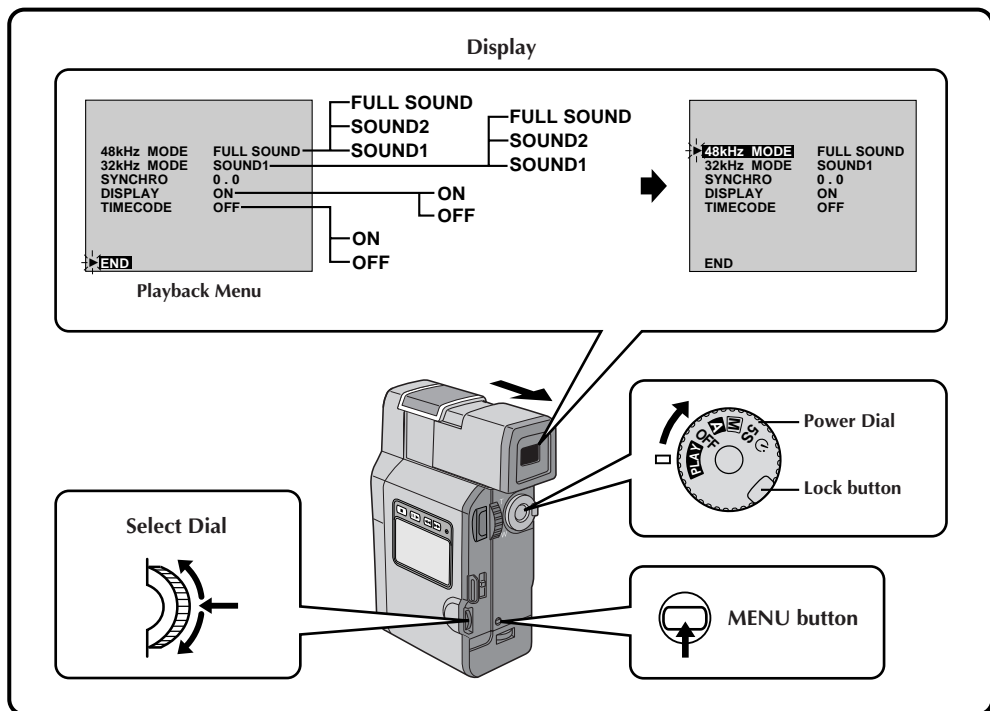
- To deactivate the selected effect, press **EFFECT ON/OFF** on the remote control. Pressing it again re-activates the selected effect.
- Repeat from step 2 when you want to change the selected effect.
- When "MONOTONE" or "SEPIA" is activated, the "MULTI 4" and "MULTI 9" Snapshot modes (pg. 29) are not available.

The effects that can be used during playback are *Classic Film*, *Monotone*, *Sepia* and *Strobe*. The effects work the same in playback as they did in recording. Refer to page 42 for more information.

## Playback Menu

The Playback Menu allows you to set the following functions:

Playback Sound (32 kHz, 48 kHz), Synchro Comp, Display and Time Code. The following procedure applies to all except Synchro Comp (☞ pg. 66, 67).



### 1 SELECT OPERATION MODE

First turn the Power Dial to "PLAY" while pressing down the lock button located on the dial. Pull out the viewfinder fully.

### 2 ACCESS PLAYBACK MENU

Press MENU. The Playback Menu appears in the viewfinder and on the connected TV.

### 3 SELECT FUNCTION

Move the pointer and highlight bar to the desired function by rotating the Select Dial. Press the Select Dial to activate.

### 4 SET FUNCTION PARAMETERS

Rotate the Select Dial to cycle through the available settings for the selected function, and stop when the desired setting appears. Then press the Select Dial, and the pointer and highlight bar automatically move to "END".

- To set parameters for other functions, repeat steps 3 and 4.

### 5 CLOSE MENU

Press the Select Dial again, and the menu disappears.

## Playback Sound

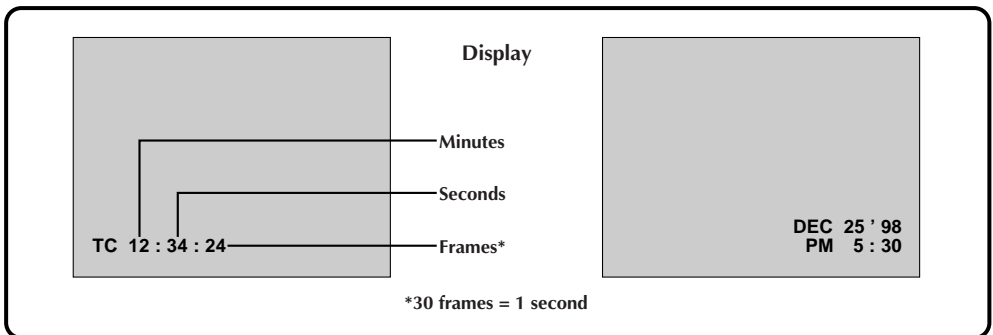
During playback, the camcorder detects the sound mode in which the recording was made, and plays the sound back. Select the type of sound to accompany your playback picture. (32 kHz is preset to "SOUND 1" and 48 kHz is preset to "FULL SOUND".)

| RECORDING SOUND | DISPLAY    | OUTPUT SOUND                         |
|-----------------|------------|--------------------------------------|
| 32 kHz          | FULL SOUND | Stereo sound                         |
|                 | SOUND 1    |                                      |
|                 | SOUND 2    |                                      |
| 48 kHz          | FULL SOUND | Stereo sound                         |
|                 | SOUND 1    | "L" sound is output on both channels |
|                 | SOUND 2    | "R" sound is output on both channels |

When watching a tape recorded at 32 kHz, if you want to change the output sound, access the Playback Menu and, in step 3 on page 52, select "32kHz MODE" and set it for "FULL SOUND", "SOUND 1" or "SOUND 2". When playing back a tape recorded at 48kHz, set in the same manner.

### NOTES:

- You can also use the optional RM-V712U remote control's **AUDIO MONITOR** button to change the output sound (without having to access the Playback Menu). Make sure you point the remote control at the camcorder's remote sensor. The RM-V712U remote control is included in the optional VU-V63KITU Station Kit.
- During playback, the camcorder detects the sound mode in which the recording was made. This detection cannot be made during fast-forward or rewind. During playback the sound mode is displayed in the upper left corner.



### TIME CODE (Displaying The Time Code During Playback)

You can display the Time Code on screen during playback. This is especially useful for editing. This function is preset to "OFF". To turn it on, select "TIME CODE" at the Playback Menu and change the setting (⏏ pg. 52).

**ON**– The Time Code is displayed on the playback screen.

**OFF**– The Time Code does not appear.

### DISPLAY (Displaying the Date During Playback)

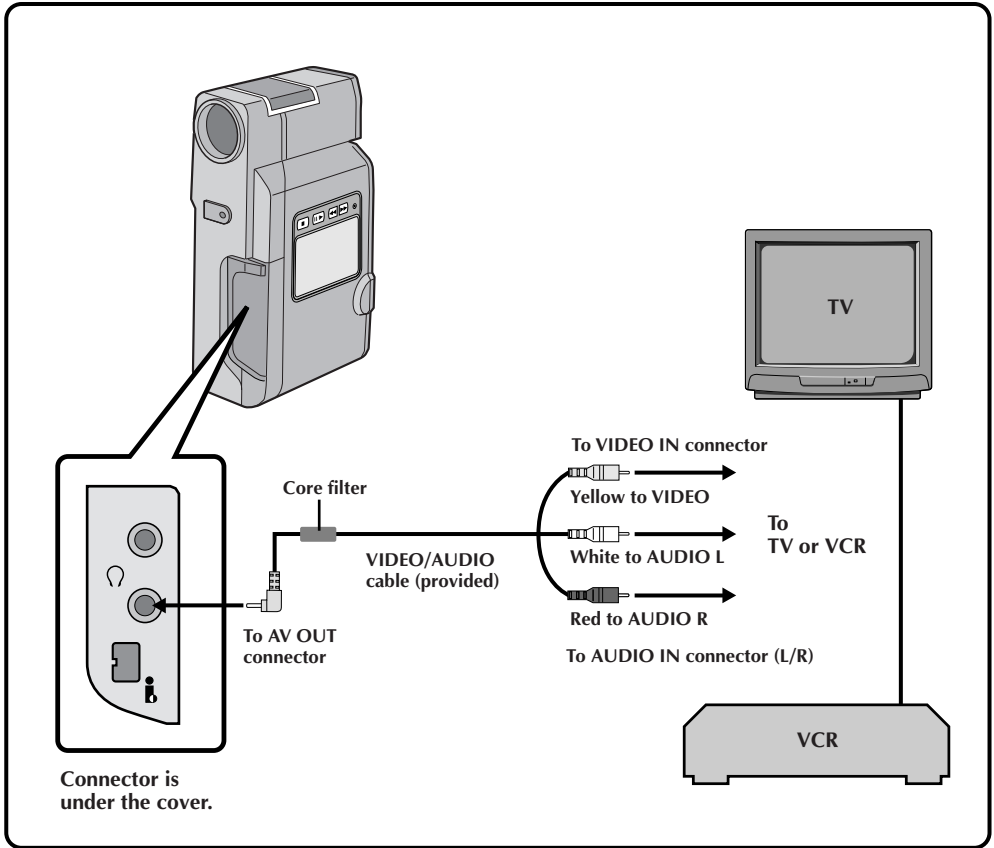
If the time has been set, the date is automatically recorded separately from the recorded video signal. You can display or remove the date anytime during playback. This function is preset to "ON". To turn it off, select "DISPLAY" at the Playback Menu and change the setting (⏏ pg. 52).

**ON**– The date is displayed on the playback screen.

**OFF**– The date is not displayed.

**VCR/TV Connection (when connecting directly to the camcorder)**

Please refer to your VCR and/or TV instruction manual(s) when connecting.



**1 CONFIRM POWER-OFF STATUS**

Make sure the camcorder's power is off.

**2 CONNECT CAMCORDER TO TV OR VCR**

Pull out the connector cover and open it.

Connect as shown in the illustration (☞ pg. 54).

*If Using A VCR . . . go to step 3.*

*If not . . . go to step 4.*

**3 CONNECT VCR OUTPUT TO TV INPUT**

Refer to your VCR's instruction manual.

**4 TURN ON POWER**

Turn the Power Dial to "PLAY" while pressing down the lock button located on the dial and turn on the TV/VCR.

**5 SELECT TV'S VIDEO MODE**

Set the TV to the channel or mode appropriate for video playback.

**NOTES:**

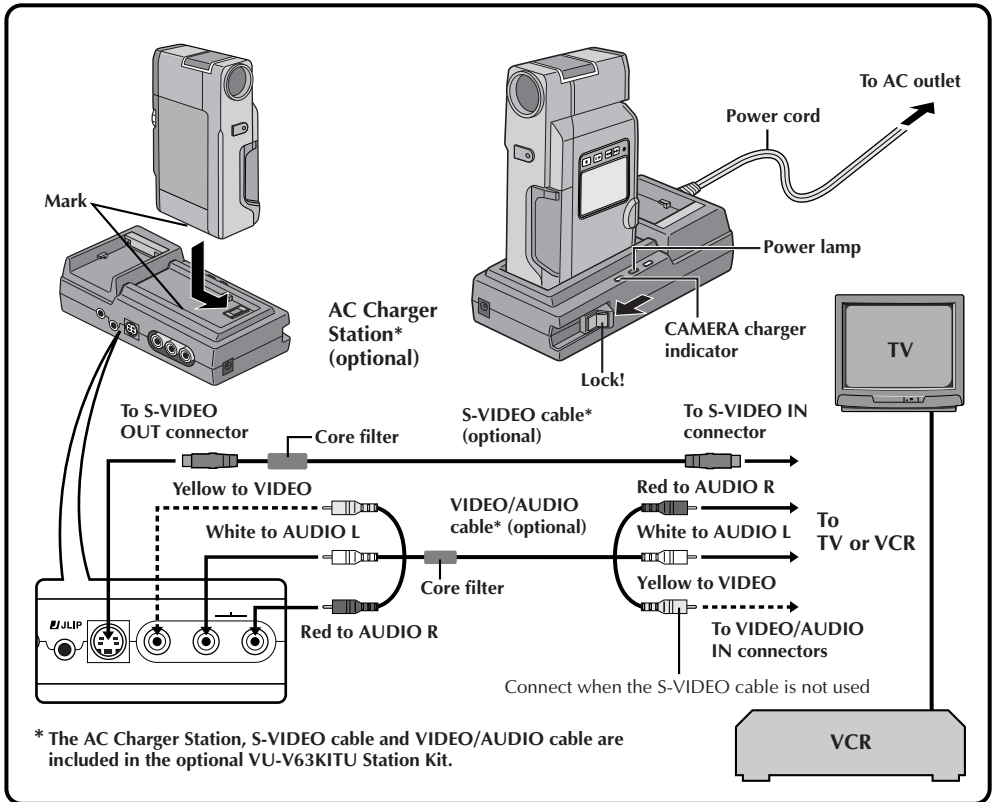
- *It is recommended to use the AC Power Adapter/Charger as the power supply instead of the battery pack. (☞ pg. 12)*
- *Never connect any other VIDEO/AUDIO cable than the provided VIDEO/AUDIO cable to the camcorder's AV OUT connector.*
- *When using the provided VIDEO/AUDIO cable, make sure you connect the end of the cable with the core filter to the camcorder. The core filter improves performance of equipment.*
- *Make sure you adjust the TV sound volume to its minimum level to avoid a sudden burst of sound when the camcorder is turned on.*
- *To keep the camcorder's display from appearing on the TV screen during playback, press the IND.ON/OFF button for longer than 1 second.*

*To choose whether or not the following displays appear on the connected TV . . .*

- Date/Time, Time Code  
.... set to "ON" or "OFF" in the Playback Menu (☞ pg. 52).
- Playback Sound Mode Display  
.... set the Power Dial to "M", press the MENU button, and set "ON SCREEN" in the Date/Time Menu (☞ pg. 13) to "ON" or "OFF". Then set the Power Dial back to "PLAY".

**VCR/TV Connection (using AC Charger Station\*)**

Please refer to your VCR and/or TV instruction manual(s) when connecting.

**1 CONFIRM POWER-OFF STATUS**

Make sure the camcorder's power is off.

**2 ATTACH AND LOCKS**

Align the mark on the camcorder with the one on the AC Charger Station and slide the camcorder to the AC Charger Station in the direction of the arrow. Slide the lock lever on the AC Charger Station in the direction of the arrow until it clicks. The camcorder and the AC Charger Station are now securely attached.

- When removing the camcorder, press the Release button and slide the lock lever in the opposite direction of the arrow and detach the camcorder in the opposite direction of the arrow.
- The AC Charger Station cannot function using the camcorder's battery pack.

**3 CONNECT AC CHARGER STATION TO TV OR VCR**

Connect as shown in the illustration above and plug the AC Charger Station's power cord into an AC outlet.

*If Using A VCR . . . go to step 4.*

*If not . . . go to step 5.*

**4 CONNECT VCR OUTPUT TO TV INPUT**

Refer to your VCR's instruction manual.

**5 TURN ON POWER**

Turn the Power Dial to "PLAY" while pressing down the lock button located on the dial and turn on the TV/VCR.

**6 SELECT TV'S VIDEO MODE**

Set the TV to the channel or mode appropriate for video playback.



**To choose whether or not the following displays appear on the connected TV . . .**

- Date/Time, Time Code  
.... set to "ON" or "OFF" in the Playback Menu (☞ pg. 52).
- Playback Sound Mode Display  
.... set the Power Dial to "M", press the MENU button, and set "ON SCREEN" in the Date/Time Menu (☞ pg. 13) to "ON" or "OFF". Then set the Power Dial back to "PLAY".

**NOTES:**

- Never touch the connector on the bottom of the camcorder or on the AC Charger Station. If the pins are damaged, the connectors will become unusable due to contact failure.
- **Never connect any cable other than those included in the optional VU-V63KITU Station Kit to the AC Charger Station's S-VIDEO, VIDEO and AUDIO OUT connectors.**
- When using the VIDEO/AUDIO cable or S-VIDEO cable included in the optional VU-V63KITU Station Kit, make sure you connect the end of the cable with the core filter to the AC Charger Station. The core filter improves performance of equipment.
- Make sure you adjust the TV sound volume to its minimum level to avoid a sudden burst of sound when the camcorder is turned on.
- To keep the camcorder's display from appearing on the TV screen during playback, press the IND.ON/OFF button for longer than 1 second.

**Charging The Camcorder Battery Pack**

If you attach the camcorder with the battery installed to the AC Charger Station, you can charge the battery pack. After doing steps 1 and 2 on pg. 56, plug the AC Charger Station's power cord into an AC outlet. The AC Charger Station's CAMERA charger indicator starts blinking to indicate that charging has begun. When it stops blinking but stays on, charging is complete. The charging time for one BN-V607U battery pack is approx. 100 minutes.

**Charging Two Battery Packs**

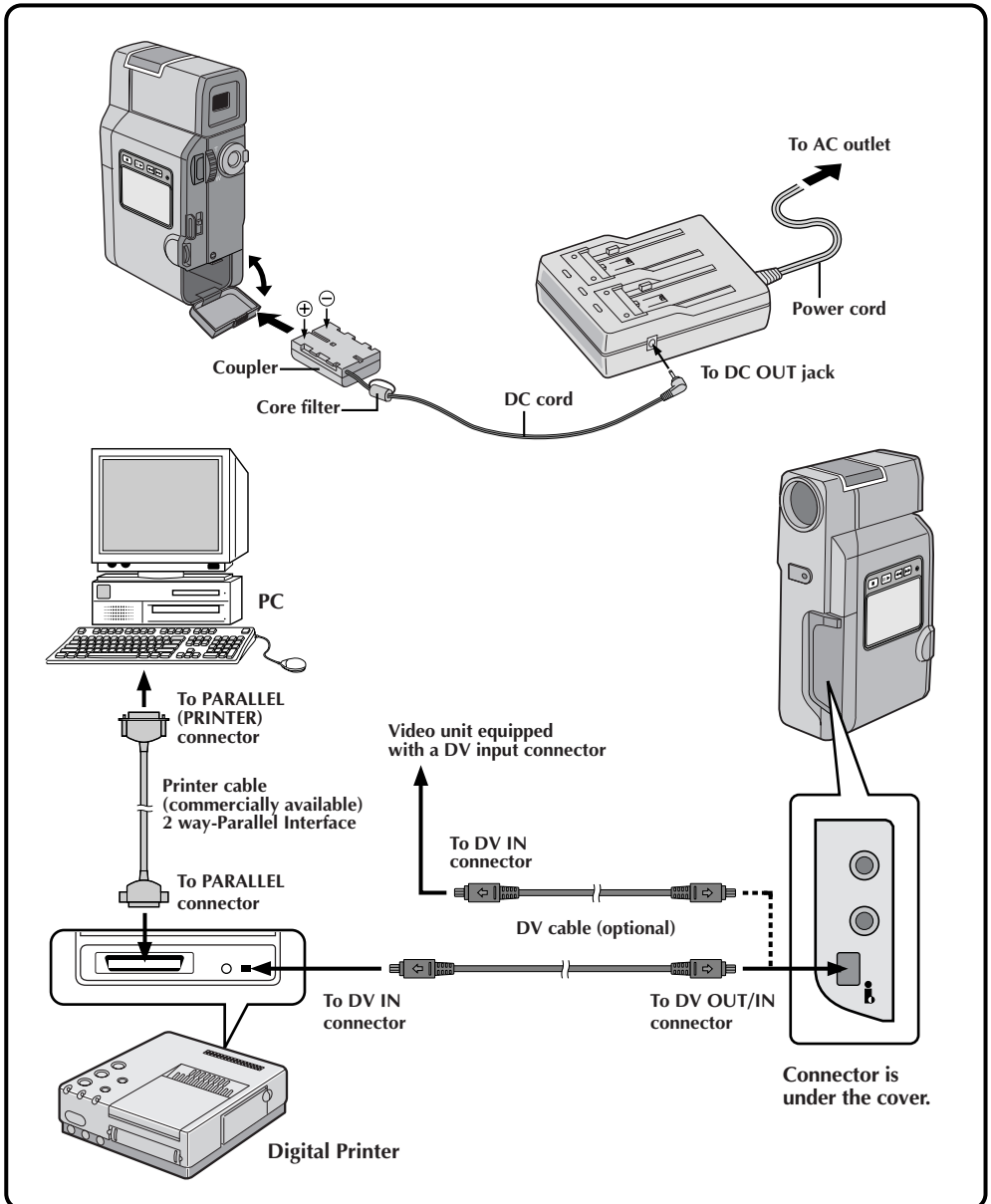
If two battery packs are attached to the AC Charger Station (one attached to the AC Charger Station and one in the camcorder attached to it), they will be charged in the order that they were attached. The charging time for two BN-V607U battery packs is approx. 190 minutes.

**NOTE:**

*To charge the battery pack installed in the camcorder, be sure to switch off the camcorder first. If it is not switched off, charging will not begin.*

### Connection To A Video Unit Equipped With A DV Connector

Connection to the Digital Printer GV-DT1 (optional) allows you to print out the images or to transfer the captured image from the Digital Printer to a personal computer. It is also possible to copy recorded scenes from the camcorder onto another video unit equipped with a DV connector. This function is called Digital Dubbing (see pg. 61), which offers virtually no image or sound deterioration.



**1 CONFIRM POWER-OFF STATUS**

Make sure all the units are turned off.

**2 CONNECT CAMCORDER TO PRINTER OR VIDEO UNIT EQUIPPED WITH DV INPUT CONNECTOR**

Pull out the connector cover and open it. Make connections to the device you want to connect to using the DV cable, as shown in the illustration.

**3 CONNECT PRINTER TO PC**

Connect the printer cable to the printer's PARALLEL connector and the PC's PARALLEL (PRINTER) connector.

**4 SUPPLY POWER**

Connect the camcorder to the AC Power Adapter/Charger using the DC cord then plug the AC Power Adapter/Charge's power cord into an AC outlet.

**5 TURN ON POWER**

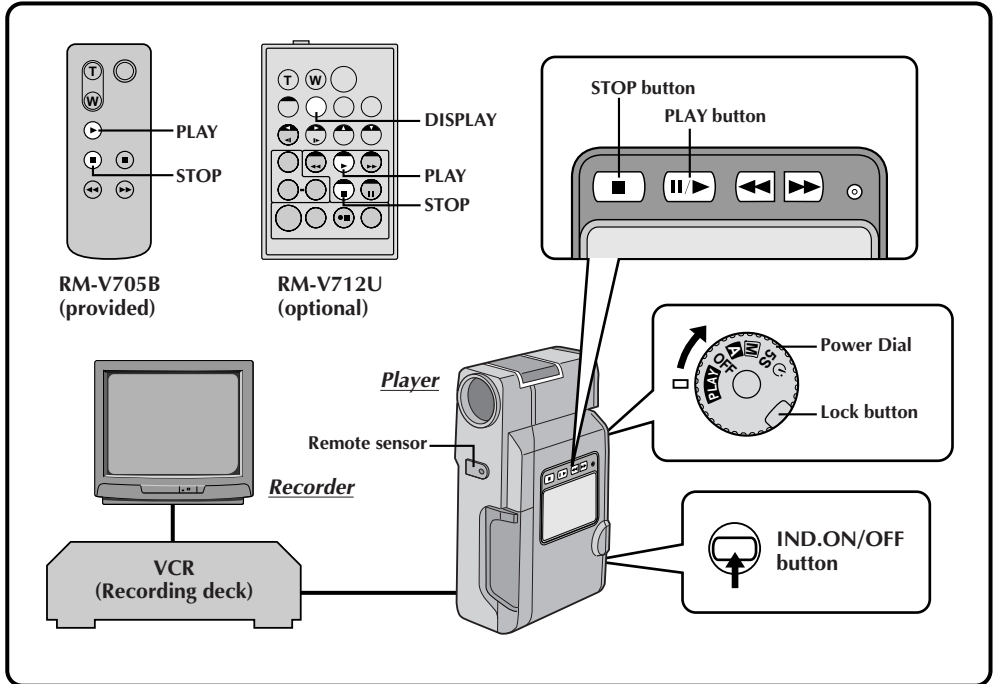
Turn the camcorder's Power Dial to "PLAY", "A" or "M" while pressing down the lock button located on the dial and turn on the other units.

**NOTES:**

- *You cannot use the battery pack installed in the camcorder as the power supply since a digital signal is output from the DV OUT/IN connector only when using the AC Power Adapter/Charger or the optional AC Charger Station.*
- *For Digital Dubbing, this camcorder can be connected only to one device at a time. This camcorder can also be used as a recorder (☞ pg. 61).*
- *Also refer to the instruction manuals of the connected units.*

## Dubbing

You can copy recorded scenes from the camcorder onto a videotape. Refer to your VCR's instruction manual for details.



### 1 MAKE CONNECTIONS

Connect the camcorder to your VCR as shown in the illustration on page 54 or 56. Please also refer to your VCR's instruction manual before dubbing.

### 2 START PLAYBACK

Press the Play button (▶) to play back the source tape.

### 3 START RECORDING

While watching on the connected TV, engage your VCR's record mode from the spot on the source tape you want to begin recording.

### 4 PAUSE RECORDING

Engage your VCR's pause mode to stop recording a segment.

### 5 END RECORDING

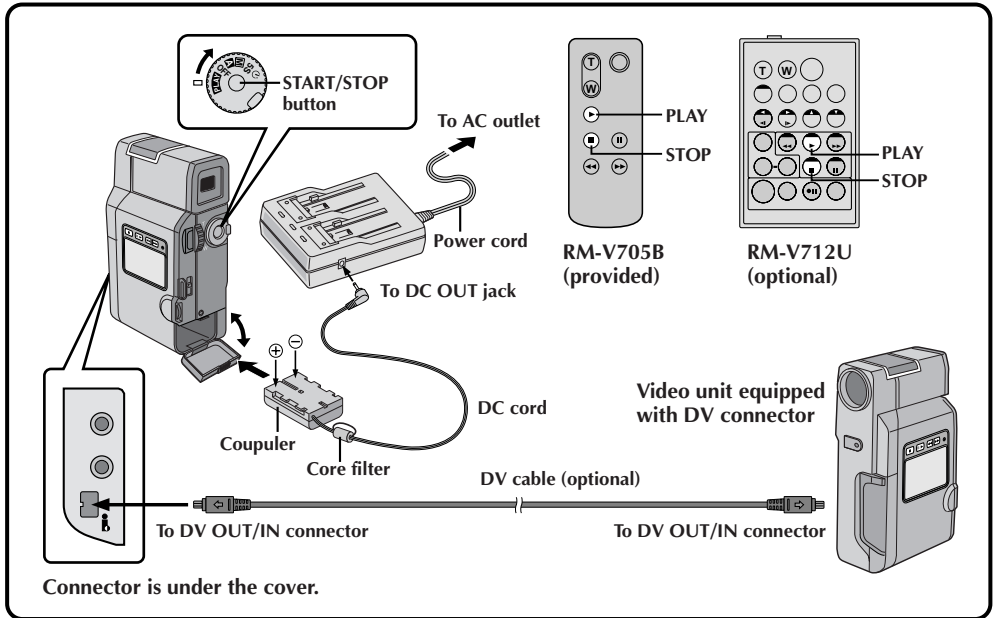
Press the Stop button (■) to stop the source tape, and engage the VCR's stop mode.

### NOTES:

- You can use Playback Zoom (☞ pg. 50) or Playback Effects (☞ pg. 51) in step 2.
- Before you start dubbing, make sure that the indications do not appear on the connected TV. If they do appear during dubbing, they are being recorded onto the new tape. To hide (or show) all indications, press the **IND.ON/OFF** button on the camcorder for longer than 1 second. To clear the Playback Sound Mode Display, the optional RM-V712U remote control (included in the VU-V63KITU Station Kit) is necessary. Press its **DISPLAY** button.
- Select "DISPLAY" and "TIME CODE" from the Playback Menu (☞ pg. 52) to show or hide the Date/Time and the Time Code on the recording.

## Digital Dubbing

It is also possible to copy recorded scenes from the camcorder onto other video unit equipped with a DV connector. Since a digital signal is sent, there is little if any image or sound deterioration.



### 1 CONFIRM POWER-OFF STATUS

Make sure the camcorder's power is off.

### 2 MAKE CONNECTIONS

Connect the camcorder to your video unit equipped with a DV connector using the DV cable (optional) as shown in the illustration.

### 3 START PLAYBACK

Press the Play button (▶) to play back the source tape.

### 4 START RECORDING

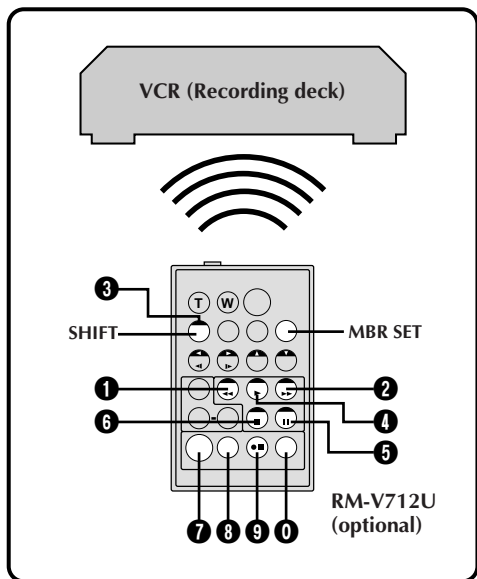
While watching the playback on the monitor, engage the DV connector-equipped video unit's record mode from the spot on the source tape you want to begin recording.

## NOTES:

- You cannot use the battery pack installed in the camcorder as the power supply since a digital signal is output/input from/to the DV OUT/IN connector only when using the AC Power Adapter/Charger or the optional AC Charger Station.
- If the remote control is used when both the player and recorder are JVC video units, both units will perform the same operation. To prevent this from happening, press the buttons on both units.
- For Digital Dubbing, this camcorder can be connected only to one device at a time. This camcorder can also be used as a recorder.
- If a blank portion is played back during dubbing, an unusual image may be dubbed.
- Even though the DV cable is connected correctly, sometimes the image may not appear in step 3. If the above occurs, turn off power and make connections again.
- The image with Digital Zoom, Fade/Wipe Effects, P.AE/Effects and Snapshot is not output from the DV OUT/IN connector. Only the original playback image is output from it.

### To use this camcorder as a recorder . . .

1. Select the recording mode (Ⓛ pg. 15).
2. Turn the Power Dial to "PLAY" while pressing down the lock button located on it.
3. Connect the DV cable as shown in the illustration and load a cassette to record on.
4. Press the **START/STOP** button to engage the Record-Pause mode. "DV IN" appears on the screen.
5. Press the **START/STOP** button to start recording. "DV IN" changes to "**DV IN**".
6. Press the **START/STOP** button again to engage the Record-Pause mode. "**DV IN**" returns to "DV IN".



To perform Random Assemble Editing (☞ pg. 63), the optional VU-V63KITU Station Kit is necessary. It contains the AC Charger Station, the RM-V712U remote control, an S-VIDEO cable, a VIDEO/AUDIO cable and an editing cable.

## Brand Setting

Before you can perform Random Assemble Editing (☞ pg. 63 – 65), or control the VCR using the RM-V712U remote control, you must set the VCR brand.

### SET REMOTE/VCR CODE

Before operation, make sure the lithium battery is installed in the remote control (☞ pg. 77).

#### 1 SET REMOTE TO OPERATE VCR

Turn off the power to the VCR and point the remote towards the VCR's infrared sensor. Then, referring to the VCR CODE LIST on the left, press and hold **MBR SET**, and press button (A) and then (B).

- The code is automatically set once you release the **MBR SET** button, and the VCR's power comes on.

#### 2 OPERATE VCR

Make sure the VCR's power is on. Then, while holding **SHIFT**, press the button on the remote for the desired function. The functions the remote can control are PLAY, STOP, PAUSE, FF, REW and VCR REC STBY (you don't need to press **SHIFT** for this one).

*You're now ready to try Random Assemble Editing.*

## IMPORTANT

Although the MBR is compatible with JVC VCRs and those of many other makers, it may not work with yours or may offer limited functions.

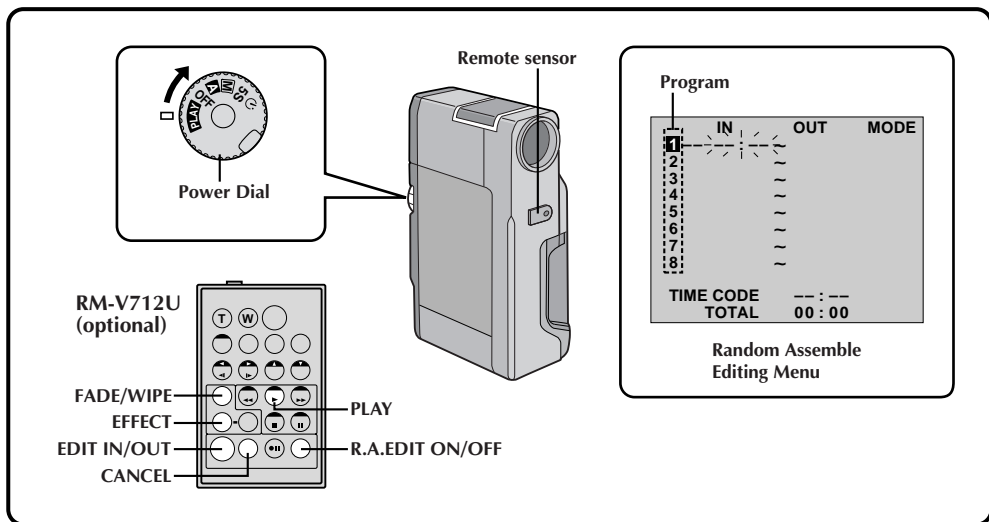
### NOTES:

- If the VCR's power doesn't come on in step 1, try another code from the VCR CODE LIST.
- Some brands of VCR don't come on automatically. In this case, turn the power on manually and try step 2.
- If the remote control is not able to control the VCR, use the controls on the VCR.
- When the remote control's battery runs out, the VCR brand you have set will be erased. In that case, replace the old battery with a new one to reset the VCR brand.

### VCR CODE LIST

| VCR BRAND NAME | BUTTONS (A) (B) | VCR BRAND NAME | BUTTONS (A) (B) |        |
|----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|--------|
| GE             | 1 1             | PHILIPS        | 3 3             |        |
|                | 9 2             |                | 7 2             |        |
|                | 9 0             | PANASONIC      | 1 3             |        |
|                | 9 4             |                | 1 7             |        |
| HITACHI        | 6 6             |                | 1 1             |        |
|                | 6 3             |                | 9 4             |        |
| JVC A          | 9 1             | 1 8            | RCA             |        |
|                | 9 6             | 9 2            |                 |        |
|                | B               | 9 4            |                 |        |
| C              | 9 3             | 6 6            |                 |        |
| MAGNAVOX       | 9 5             | 6 3            | 9 0             |        |
|                | 1 1             | SANYO          | 3 6             |        |
|                | 7 1             |                | 3 5             |        |
|                | 7 6             |                | SHARP           | 1 5    |
| 7 6            | 1 0             |                |                 |        |
| MITSUBISHI     | 6 7             | SONY           | 6 5             |        |
|                | 6 8             |                | 6 0             |        |
| NEC            | 3 7             |                | 3 9             | 3 1    |
|                | 3 8             |                | TOSHIBA         | 6 9    |
| PHILIPS        | 1 9             | 6 1            |                 | ZENITH |
|                | 9 5             | 1 6            |                 |        |
|                | 1 1             |                |                 |        |
|                | 9 4             |                |                 |        |
|                | 9 1             |                |                 |        |
| 9 6            |                 |                |                 |        |





#### 4 SET EDIT-IN POINT

At the beginning of the scene, press **EDIT IN/OUT** on the remote control. The Edit-In position appears on the Random Assemble Editing Menu.

#### 5 SET EDIT-OUT POINT

At the end of the scene, press **EDIT IN/OUT**. The Edit-Out position appears on the Random Assemble Editing Menu.

#### 6 USE FADE WIPE ON SCENE TRANSITION (IF NECESSARY)

Press **FADE/WIPE**.

- Cycle through the effects by pressing repeatedly, and stop when the one you want is displayed.
- If you select a Fade/Wipe effect for an Edit-Out point, the effect is automatically applied to the following Edit-In point.
- You can't use a Picture Wipe/Dissolve at the end of the last scene.
- When you use Fade/Wipe effects, that time is included in the total time (this does not apply to Picture Wipe/Dissolve).

#### 7 USE P.AE/EFFECT (IF NECESSARY)

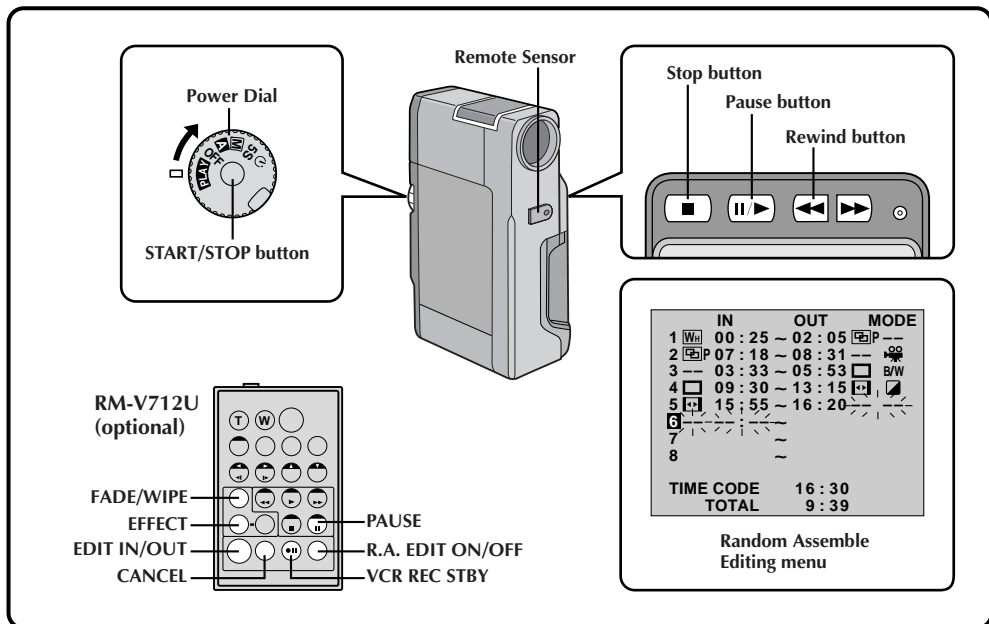
Press **EFFECT**.

- Cycle through the effects by pressing repeatedly, and stop when the one you want is displayed.
- You can use Classic Film, Monotone, Sepia or Strobe effects.

#### NOTES:

- To cancel the registered scene, press the **CANCEL** button on the remote control. Each time **CANCEL** is pressed, the latest registered scene is erased.
- When the source tape has more than 2 identical time codes (see pg. 23), the camcorder may not find the Edit-In point you chose and a malfunction may occur.
- When choosing a scene, set Edit-In and Edit-Out points so that there's a relatively large difference between them.
- If the search time for an in-point exceeds 5 minutes, the recording deck's Record-Standby mode will be cancelled and editing will not take place.
- If there are blank portions before or after the Edit-In and Edit-Out points, a blue-backed screen may be included in the edited version.
- Since time codes register time only as accurately as seconds, the time code total time may not match the total program time exactly.
- Turning off the camcorder's power erases all registered Edit-In and Edit-Out points.
- If you use Sepia or Monotone P.AE/Effects, you can't use the Dissolve or Black & White Fader. In this case the Dissolve or Black & White indicator begins blinking. Once the next Edit-In point is registered, the effect is turned off. To combine these effects, use Sepia or Monotone during recording, then use Dissolve or Black & White Fader during Random Assemble Editing.
- During Digital Dubbing, Fade/Wipe Effects and P.AE/Effects are not available.





## 8 REGISTER ADDITIONAL SCENES

Repeat steps 4 – 7 (☞ pg. 64).

- To change previously registered points, press **CANCEL** on the remote control. The registered points disappear, one at a time, from the most recently registered point.
- If you're not using Fade/Wipe or P.AE/Effects, repeat steps 4 and 5 only.

## 9 PREPARE SOURCE TAPE

Rewind the tape in the camcorder to the beginning of the scene you want to edit and press the Pause button (II).

## 10 ENGAGE VCR'S RECORD-PAUSE MODE

Point the remote control towards the VCR's remote sensor and press **VCR REC STBY**, or manually engage the VCR's Record-Pause mode.

## 11 START EDITING

Press the **START/STOP** button on the camcorder. Editing proceeds as programmed, right through to the end of the last registered scene.

- Pressing **START/STOP** on the remote control does not start editing.
- When dubbing is complete, the camcorder enters the Pause mode, and the recorder enters its Record-Standby mode.
- If you don't register an Edit-Out point, the tape will be dubbed all the way to the end automatically.

## 12 STOP EDITING

Engage the Stop modes for the camcorder and the VCR.

To make the R.A. Edit counter display disappear, press **R.A. EDIT ON/OFF** on the remote control.

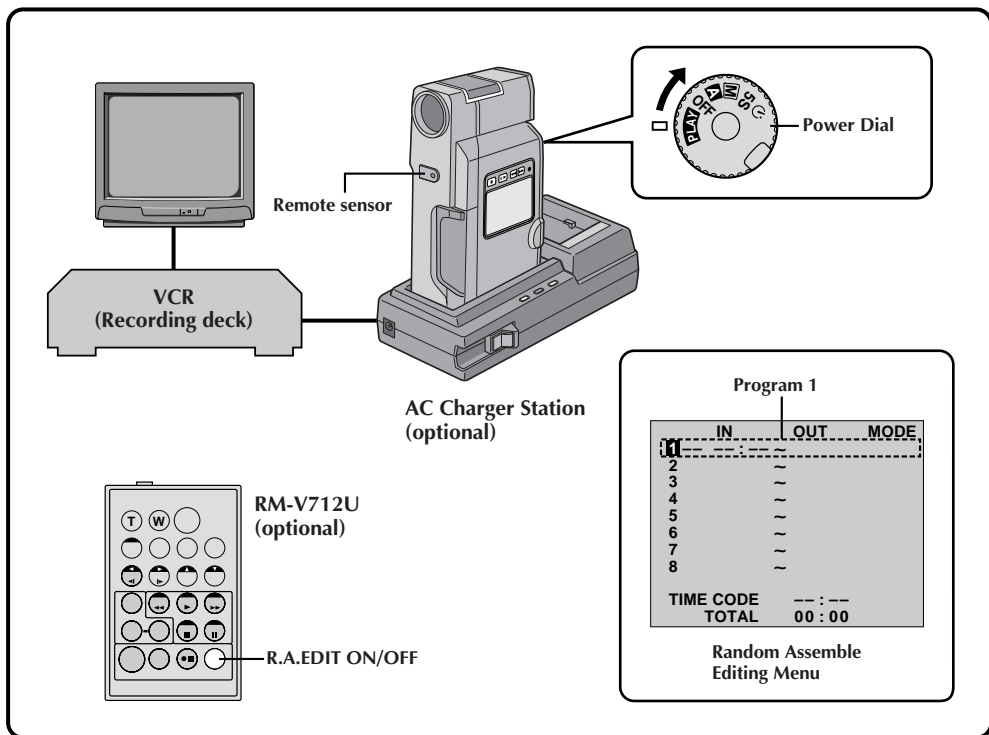
## NOTES:

- Pressing **R.A. EDIT ON/OFF** on the remote control clears all settings registered during Random Assemble Editing.
- When the editing cable is connected to the Pause terminal during dubbing, make sure the remote control is pointed at the VCR's sensor, and that the path between the two is unobstructed.
- If, during Random Assemble Editing, you press any button on the camcorder, its Record-Standby mode is automatically engaged.
- Random Assemble Editing may not function properly when using a tape including several duplicated Time Codes. (☞ pg. 23).

## For More Accurate Random Assemble Editing

Some VCRs make the transition from Record-Standby to Record mode faster than others. Even if you begin editing for the camcorder and the VCR at exactly the same time, you may lose scenes you wanted, or find that you've recorded scenes you didn't want. For a cleanly edited tape, confirm and adjust the timing of the camcorder against your VCR.

### Diagnosing VCR's against Camcorder Timing



### 1 PREPARE FOR R.A. EDIT

Play back the tape in the camcorder, then point the remote control at the camcorder's remote sensor and press **R.A. EDIT ON/OFF**.

- "Random Assemble Editing Menu" appears on the TV screen.

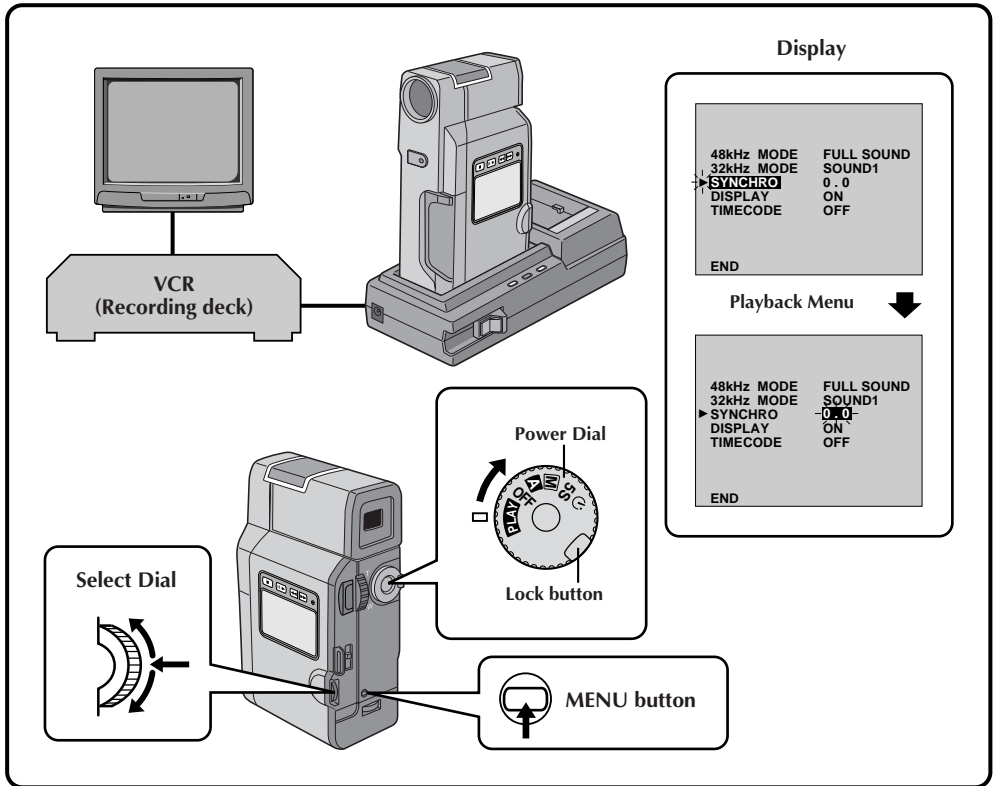
### 2 CHOOSE A SCENE

Perform Random Assemble Editing on Program 1 only. In order to check VCR and camcorder timing, select the beginning of a scene transition as your Edit-In point.

### 3 PLAY BACK DUBBED SCENE

- If any images from the scene prior to the transition you chose for your Edit-In point were recorded, that means your VCR moves quickly from Record-Pause to Record mode.
- If the scene you tried to dub starts in progress, the VCR is slow to start recording.

## Adjustment of VCR's against Camcorder Timing

**4 ACCESS PLAYBACK MENU**

Point the remote control at the camcorder's remote sensor and press **R.A. EDIT ON/OFF** to make the Random Assemble Editing menu disappear, then press **MENU**. The Playback Menu appears on the TV screen.

**5 SELECT FUNCTION**

Move the pointer and highlight bar to "SYNCHRO" by rotating the Select Dial, then press it. The value for "SYNCHRO" is highlighted.

**6 INPUT CORRECTION DATA**

Based on the diagnostics performed (see pg. 66), you can now increase the VCR's speed by rotating the Select Dial upward. You can also slow down the VCR's speed by rotating the Select Dial downward. The adjustment range is from -1.3 to +1.3 seconds, in 0.1-second increments.

**7 CLOSE MENU**

Press the Select Dial twice.

- Now perform Random Assemble Editing beginning with step 2 on page 63.

**NOTES:**

- Before performing actual Random Assemble Editing, do a few Random Assemble Editing trial runs to check whether the value you have input is appropriate or not, and make adjustments accordingly.
- Depending on the recorder, there may be situations where the timing difference cannot be fully corrected.

If, after following the steps in the chart below, the problem still exists, please consult your nearest JVC dealer.

| SYMPTOM  | POSSIBLE CAUSES   | CORRECTIVE ACTION   |
|--|---|---|
| 1. No power is supplied.                                   | 1. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The power is not connected properly.</li> <li>• The battery is dead.</li> <li>• The viewfinder is not pulled out when recording.</li> </ul>                                   | 1. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Connect the AC Power Adapter/Charger securely (☞ pg. 12).</li> <li>• Replace the dead battery with a fully charged one (☞ pg. 11).</li> <li>• Pull out the viewfinder.</li> </ul>   |
| 2. "SET DATE/TIME!" appears.                               | 2. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The built-in rechargeable clock lithium battery is discharged and the previously set date/time is erased.</li> </ul>  | 2. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Connect the camcorder to an AC outlet using the AC Power Adapter/Charger etc. for over 24 hours to charge the clock lithium battery (☞ pg. 13).</li> </ul>  |
| 3. Recording cannot be performed.                          | 3. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The tape's record safety tab is set to "SAVE".</li> <li>• The Power Dial is set to "PLAY".</li> <li>• "TAPE END" appears.</li> <li>• The cassette's cover is open.</li> </ul> | 3. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Set the tape's record safety tab to "REC" (☞ pg. 14).</li> <li>• Set the Power Dial to "A", "M", "5S" or "S" (☞ pg. 19).</li> <li>• Replace with new cassette (☞ pg. 14).</li> <li>• Close the cassette's cover.</li> </ul> |
| 4. There is no playback picture.                           | 4. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The camcorder is not getting power, or some other malfunction exists.</li> </ul>  | 4. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Turn the camcorder's power off and on again (☞ pg. 21).</li> </ul>  |
| 5. Some functions are not available using the MENU button. | 5. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Power Dial is set to "A".</li> </ul>  | 5. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Set the Power Dial to any position except "A" (☞ pg. 19).</li> </ul>  |
| 6. Some functions are not available using the Select Dial. | 6. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Power Dial is set to "A", "5S" or "S".</li> </ul>   | 6. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Set the Power Dial to any position except "A", "5S" or "S" (☞ pg. 19).</li> </ul>   |
| 7. The focus does not adjust automatically.                | 7. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Focus is set to "MANUAL".</li> <li>• The recording was done in a dark place, or the contrast was low.</li> <li>• The lens is dirty or covered with condensation.</li> </ul>   | 7. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Set Focus to "AUTO" (☞ pg. 43).</li> <li>• Clean the lens and check the focus again (☞ pg. 73).</li> </ul>  |
| 8. The cassette won't load properly.                       | 8. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The cassette is in the wrong position.</li> <li>• The battery's charge is low.</li> </ul>   | 8. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Set it in the right position (☞ pg. 14).</li> <li>• Install a fully charged battery (☞ pg. 11).</li> </ul>  |
| 9. Play, Rewind and Fast-Forward functions don't work.     | 9. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Power Dial is not set to "PLAY".</li> </ul>   | 9. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Set the Power Dial to "PLAY" (☞ pg. 48).</li> </ul>   |

| SYMPTOM  | POSSIBLE CAUSES   | CORRECTIVE ACTION  |
|--|---|--|
| <b>10.</b> The tape is moving, but there's no picture.                         | <b>10.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Your TV has AV input terminals, but is not set to its VIDEO mode.</li> <li>The cassette's cover is open.</li> </ul>   | <b>10.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Set the TV to the mode or channel appropriate for video playback (ⓘ pg. 54, 56).</li> <li>Close the cassette's cover (ⓘ pg. 14).</li> </ul>  |
| <b>11.</b> In the 5-Second mode, recording ends before 5 seconds have elapsed. | <b>11.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The 5-Second mode in the System Menu is set to "ANIM."</li> </ul>   | <b>11.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Select "5S" or "5SD" in the System Menu (ⓘ pg. 34).</li> </ul>   |
| <b>12.</b> Snapshot mode cannot be used.                                       | <b>12.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Squeeze mode is selected.</li> </ul>  | <b>12.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Disengage the Squeeze mode (ⓘ pg. 31).</li> </ul>  |
| <b>13.</b> Digital Zoom doesn't work.  | <b>13.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10X optical zoom is selected.</li> <li>Picture Wipe or Dissolve are being used in a scene transition.</li> <li>5-Second recording was done with the Power Dial set to "5S", and with "5SD" selected in the System Menu.</li> <li>Snapshot was attempted during Digital Zoom.</li> </ul>   | <b>13.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wait until the Picture Wipe or Dissolve effects are completed (ⓘ pg. 37).</li> <li>Change the setting of either the System Menu or the Power Dial (ⓘ pg. 33).</li> <li>Do not attempt to take a Snapshot when performing Digital Zoom (ⓘ pg. 28, 32).</li> </ul>                                   |
| <b>14.</b> P.AE/Effects and Fade/Wipe Effects don't work.                      | <b>14.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Power Dial is set to "A" or "5S".</li> </ul>  | <b>14.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Set the Power Dial to "M" (ⓘ pg. 19).</li> </ul>   |
| <b>15.</b> The Black & White Fader doesn't work.                               | <b>15.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Sepia or Monotone effects are activated.</li> </ul>   | <b>15.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Turn off Sepia and Monotone (ⓘ pg. 42).</li> </ul>   |
| <b>16.</b> The Dissolve function doesn't work.                                 | <b>16.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>P.AE/Effect Sepia, Monotone or Slow is activated.</li> <li>The Squeeze mode is selected.</li> <li>The previously selected P.AE/Effect was changed after the last selected scene for editing was registered.</li> </ul>  | <b>16.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Turn off Sepia, Monotone or Slow before adding Dissolve to a scene transition (ⓘ pg. 42).</li> <li>Make sure that the Squeeze mode in the Recording Menu is set to "OFF" (ⓘ pg. 31).</li> <li>Make sure you have selected the P.AE/Effects you want before starting editing (ⓘ pg. 42).</li> </ul> |
| <b>17.</b> Scene transition does not go as expected.                           | <b>17.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When using "Picture Wipe/Dissolve" (ⓘ pg. 37) or "Dissolves during 5 second mode recording" (ⓘ pg. 26), there is a delay of a fraction of a second between the previous record stop-point and the Dissolve start-point. This is normal, but this slight delay becomes especially noticeable when shooting fast-moving subject or during rapid panning.</li> </ul> | <b>17.</b>   |

| SYMPTOM   | POSSIBLE CAUSES  | CORRECTIVE ACTION   |
|---|--|---|
| <p><b>18.</b> The Picture Wipe and Dissolve functions don't work.</p>   | <p><b>18.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The last selected editing scene is ending.</li> <li>• At the end of the last selected scene for editing, the Power Dial was set to "OFF".</li> <li>• The power is off.</li> </ul> | <p><b>18.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Select Picture Wipe or Dissolve before beginning recording. The effects are then automatically activated (☞ pg. 37).</li> <li>• Do not turn off the camcorder's power after setting Edit-In and Edit-Out points, as they will all be erased (☞ pg. 37).</li> <li>• The camcorder automatically shuts off after 5 minutes have elapsed in the Record-Standby mode. Make sure you continue operations within 5 minutes after engaging Record-Standby mode (☞ pg. 37).</li> </ul> |
| <p><b>19.</b> The Picture Wipe function doesn't work.</p>   | <p><b>19.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Slow Shutter effect is activated.</li> <li>• The Squeeze or Cinema mode is selected in the Recording Menu.</li> </ul>   | <p><b>19.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Make sure the Squeeze mode, Cinema mode, or Slow Shutter effect is not activated when preparing to use the Picture Wipe function (☞ pg. 31, 42).</li> </ul>  |
| <p><b>20.</b> Even when Slow Shutter isn't selected, the image looks like it is activated.</p>                              | <p><b>20.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• When shooting in the dark, the unit becomes highly sensitive to light and the image takes on an effect similar to Slow Shutter.</li> </ul>  | <p><b>20.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If you want the lighting to look more natural, set GAIN UP to "AGC" or "OFF" in the Recording Menu (☞ pg. 32).</li> </ul>  |
| <p><b>21.</b> There is no strobe when the Classic Film or Strobe effect is activated.</p>                                   | <p><b>21.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Picture Wipe or Dissolve function is in use.</li> </ul>   | <p><b>21.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Do not try to use the Classic Film or Strobe effect during a scene transition (☞ pg. 42).</li> </ul>   |
| <p><b>22.</b> White Balance cannot be activated.</p>  | <p><b>22.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Sepia or Monotone effect is activated.</li> </ul>   | <p><b>22.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Turn off Sepia or Monotone before setting White Balance (☞ pg. 41).</li> </ul>   |
| <p><b>23.</b> When shooting a subject illuminated by bright light, vertical lines appear.</p>                               | <p><b>23.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This is a result of exceedingly high contrast, and is not a malfunction.</li> </ul>   | <p><b>23.</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">_____</p>  |
| <p><b>24.</b> When the screen is under direct sunlight during shooting, the screen becomes red or black for an instant.</p> | <p><b>24.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This is not a malfunction.</li> </ul>   | <p><b>24.</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">_____</p>  |

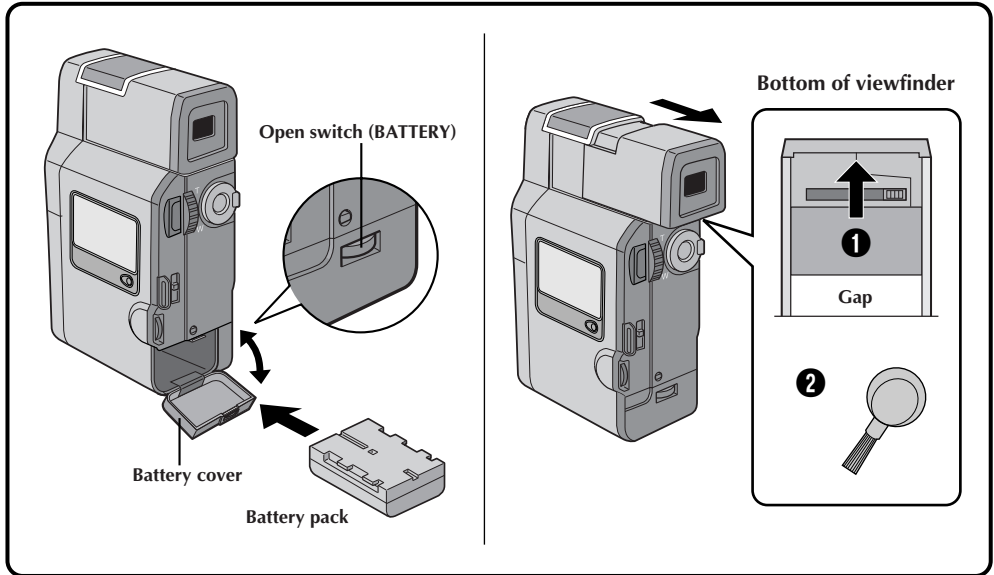
| SYMPTOM  | POSSIBLE CAUSES  | CORRECTIVE ACTION  |
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| 25. During recording, sound cannot be heard.             | 25. • The optional headphones are not connected to the headphones connector.   | 25. • Connect the optional headphones to the headphones connector (☞ pg. 74).  |
| 26. During recording, the date/time does not appear.     | 26. • “DISPLAY” is set to “OFF” in the Date/Time Menu.   | 26. • Set “DISPLAY” to “ON” in the Date/Time Menu (☞ pg. 13).<br>• Press the <b>IND.ON/OFF</b> button for longer than 1 second to make the indicators appear (☞ pg. 21).   |
| 27. The indicators and messages do not appear on screen. | 27. • “ON SCREEN” is set to “OFF” in the Date/Time Menu.   | 27. • Set “ON SCREEN” to “ON” in the Date/Time Menu (☞ pg. 25).<br>• Press the <b>IND.ON/OFF</b> button for longer than 1 second to make the indicators appear (☞ pg. 21). |
| 28. The indicators do not appear in the viewfinder.      | 28. • You have made the indicators disappear.  | 28. • Press the <b>IND.ON/OFF</b> button for longer than 1 second to make the indicators appear (☞ pg. 21).  |
| 29. The viewfinder indications blink.                    | 29. • Certain FADE/WIPE, P.AE/Effects, DIS and other functions that cannot be used together are selected at the same time.   | 29. • Re-read the sections covering FADE/WIPE, P.AE/Effects and DIS (☞ pg. 32, 35 – 42).   |
| 30. Colored bright spots appear all over the viewfinder. | 30. • The viewfinder is made with high-precision technology. However, black spots or bright spots of light (red, green or blue) may appear constantly on the viewfinder. These spots are not recorded on the tape. This is not due to any defect of the unit. (Effective dots: more than 99.99%) | 30.<br><br><hr/>   |

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| SYMPTOM  | POSSIBLE CAUSES  | CORRECTIVE ACTION  |
|--|--|--|
| 31. The viewfinder indications are distorted.  | 31. • During playback of the unrecorded portion, High-speed Search and still playback, viewfinder indications appear distorted. This is not a defect.    | 31.<br><br>_____   |
| 32. An unusual mark appears in the viewfinder.   | 32.<br><br>_____   | 32. • Check the section of the manual that explains the viewfinder indications (☞ pg. 78 – 80).  |
| 33. An error indication (E01 — E06) appears in the viewfinder.                                   | 33. • A malfunction of some kind has occurred. In this case the camcorder's functions become unusable.   | 33. • Remove the power supply (battery pack, etc.) and press RESET button, and wait a few minutes for the indication to clear. When it does, you can resume using the camcorder.<br>If the indication remains even though you repeat the above two or three times, please consult your nearest JVC dealer. |
| 34. The charge indicator on the AC Power Adapter/Charger does not light.                         | 34. • The temperature of the battery is extremely high/low.<br>• Charging is difficult in places subject to extremely high/low temperatures.             | 34 • To protect the battery, it is recommended to charge it in places with a temperature of 10°C to 30°C (50°F to 86°F) (☞ pg. 11).  |
| 35. The recording mode indicator "LP" blinks on the viewfinder.                                  | 35. • This occurs when recording in the LP mode is not available. After the indicator blinks, the recording mode switches to "SP" and recording goes on. | 35.<br><br>_____   |
| 36. When the image is printed from the printer, a black bar appears at the bottom of the screen. | 36. • This is not a malfunction.   | 36. • By recording with Digital Image Stabilizer set to "ON" (☞ pg. 32) this can be avoided.   |



## Cleaning The Camcorder



### 1 REMOVE POWER SUPPLY

Remove the battery pack or disconnect the AC Charger Station (☞ pg. 10 – 12).

### 2 CLEAN EXTERIOR

Wipe gently with a soft cloth.

- Put cloth in diluted mild soap and wring it well to wipe off heavy dirt. Then wipe again with a dry cloth.

### 3 CLEAN LENS

Blow it with a blower brush, then wipe gently with lens cleaning paper.

### 4 PULL OUT VIEWFINDER

Pull out the viewfinder fully.

### 5 CLEAN VIEWFINDER

Slide the cover in the direction of the arrow ①. Insert a lens blower or a soft cloth into the gap at the bottom of the viewfinder and clean the interior of the viewfinder with it ②.

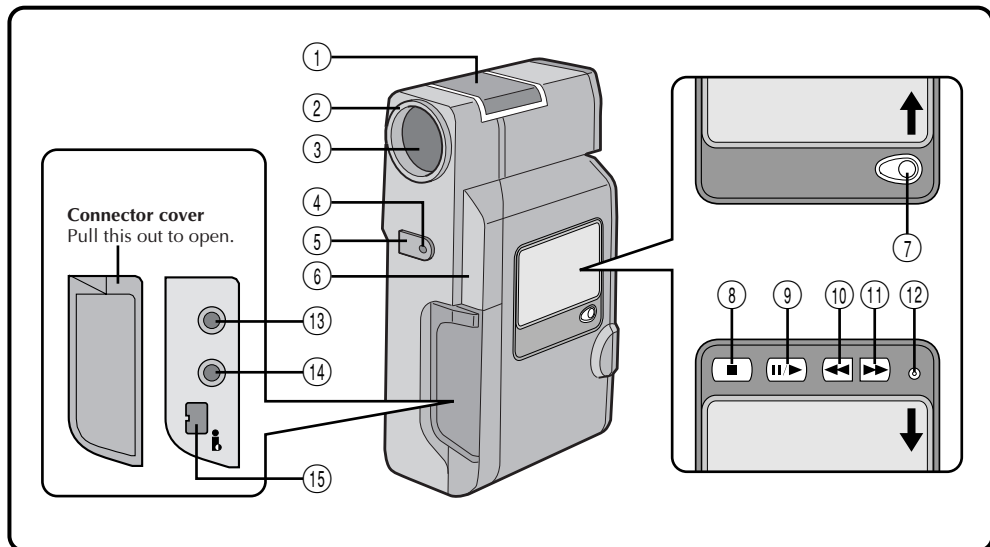
### 6 PUSH VIEWFINDER BACK IN

Slide the cover back to its original position and push the viewfinder back in.


### NOTES:

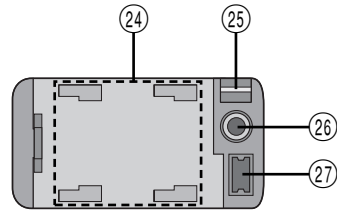
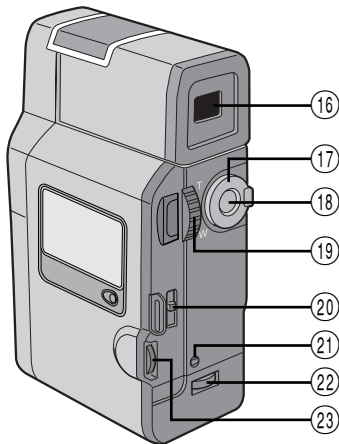
- Avoid using strong cleaning agents such as benzine or alcohol. This may damage the unit's body or cause malfunction.
- When using a cleaner or chemically treated cloth refer to the cautions of each product.

## Camcorder



- ① **Stereo microphone**  
For use when recording.
- ② **Lens hood**  
Turn this counterclockwise to release.
- ③ **Lens cover**  
Opens when the viewfinder is pulled out with the Power Dial set to any position except "PLAY" or "OFF".
- ④ **Tally lamp**  
Lights during recording.
- ⑤ **Remote sensor** (☞ pg. 50)  
Receives the signal from the remote control. When using the remote control, point it at the remote sensor.
- ⑥ **Camera sensor**  
Be careful not to cover this area; built-in here is the sensor necessary for shooting.
- ⑦ **SNAPSHOT button** (☞ pg. 28)  
Press when taking a snapshot.
- ⑧ **Stop button** (■) (☞ pg. 48)  
Stops playback of the tape.
- ⑨ **Play/Pause button** (II/▶) (☞ pg. 48)  
Plays back or stops the tape temporarily.
- ⑩ **Rewind button** (◀◀) (☞ pg. 48)  
Rewinds the tape.
- ⑪ **Fast-Forward button** (▶▶) (☞ pg. 48)  
Fast-Forwards the tape.
- ⑫ **Reset button** (☞ pg. 72)  
When a malfunction occurs, press this button after removing the power supply (battery etc.). Pressing this button also resets the date/time or various settings.
- ⑬ **External stereo microphone input connector (MIC)**  
If an optional microphone is connected, the built-in microphone is disabled.
- ⑭ **Video/audio output connector or headphones connector** (⌂/AV-OUT) (☞ pg. 54)  
The provided VIDEO/AUDIO cable (ø3.5) can be connected to a television etc. Using optional headphones, you can listen to the sound. However, headphones equipped with volume control cannot be used.
- ⑮ **DV OUT/IN connector (i.Link\*)** (☞ pg. 58, 61)  
Connect a video unit equipped with a DV connector.

\* i.Link refers to the IEEE 1394-1995 industry specification and extensions thereof. The  logo is used for products compliant with the i.Link standard.

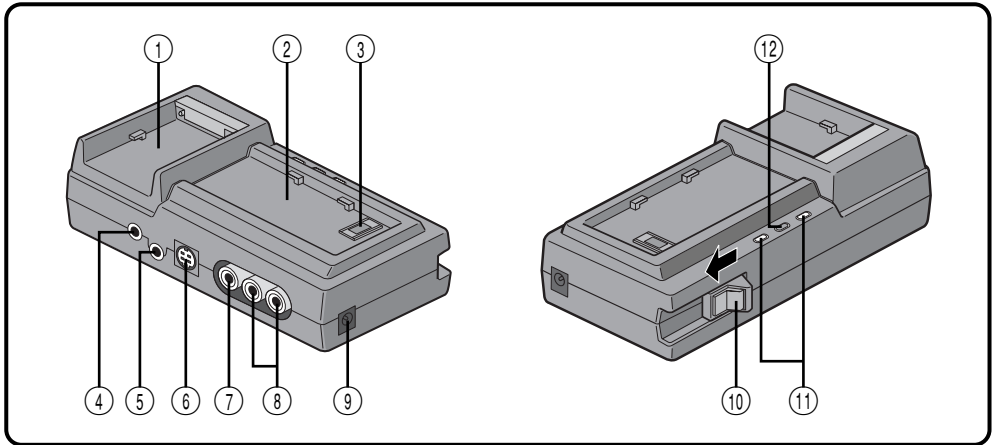


Bottom of camcorder

- ①⑥ **Viewfinder** (☞ pg. 17)  
Pull out when recording.
- ①⑦ **Power dial** (☞ pg. 19)  
Turning the camcorder on/off, recording or playback is possible.
- ①⑧ **START/STOP button** (☞ pg. 20)  
Starts recording or stops recording to make the camcorder enter the record-standby mode.
- ①⑨ **Zoom switch (T/W)** (☞ pg. 24)  
Adjusts zoom during recording.
- ②① **OPEN/EJECT switch** (☞ pg. 14)  
Slide the switch down when loading/unloading a tape.
- ②② **MENU button** (☞ pg. 30)  
Press this button to make the Menu appear.  
**IND.ON/OFF button** (☞ pg. 21)  
Press and hold this button for more than approx. 1 second to make the indications appear in the viewfinder.
- ②③ **Battery cover open switch (BATTERY)** (☞ pg. 11)  
Slide down to open the battery cover.
- ②④ **Function Navigator Dial (Select Dial)** (☞ pg. 21, 30)  
Adjusts the brightness of the display or selects the Menu etc. Referred to in this manual as "Select Dial".
- ②⑤ **When connecting to the AC Charger Station (optional) or the Battery Holder (optional), this part fixes the connection.**
- ②⑥ **Grip/Hand strap eyelet** (☞ pg. 16)
- ②⑦ **Tripod mounting socket** (☞ pg. 17)
- ②⑧ **AC Charger Station connector** (☞ pg. 12, 56)  
Connects to the AC Charger Station (optional) or the Battery Holder (optional).

## AC Charger Station (optional)

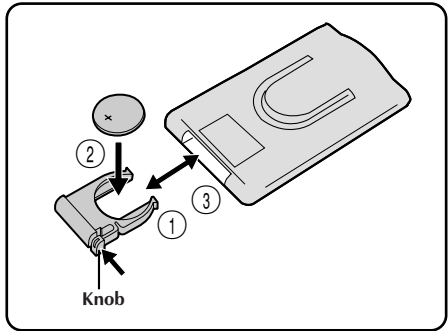
The AC Charger Station is included in the optional VU-V63KITU Station Kit.



- ① **DC charger**  
Attach the battery pack to charge.
- ② **Camcorder attachment part** (☞ pg. 56)  
Attach the camcorder to this part when charging the battery installed in the camcorder or when editing.
- ③ **Multi connector** (☞ pg. 56)  
The AC Charger Station can be connected with this camcorder through this connector. Never touch it with your hand or hit it with a hard object; if the pins are damaged, the connectors will become unusable due to contact failure.
- ④ **EDIT connector** (☞ pg. 63)  
Using an editing cable, connect to the remote control or VCR.
- ⑤ **JLIP (Joint Level Interface Protocol) connector**  
Connect to a JLIP-compatible camcorder or VCR to control it from the computer using JLIP Player Pack (optional) etc.  
**NOTE:**  
Make sure that the camcorder is turned on while connecting the camcorder to a PC using the AC Charger Station's JLIP connector. If the camcorder is turned off (because the Power Dial is set to "OFF" or due to Auto Shut Off\* etc.) while the JLIP program software is used, it will be impossible to control the connected devices from the computer. In such a case, first try turning the camcorder on again, or unplug the JLIP connection cable from the AC Charger Station's JLIP connector. Then, initialize or run the software again.  
\* **Auto Shut Off:**  
If 5 minutes elapse in the Record-Standby mode or in the Pause mode, the camcorder's power shuts off automatically to conserve energy.
- ⑥ **S-VIDEO OUT connector** (☞ pg. 56, 63)  
  - Outputs S-Video signal.
  - Connect to a video unit equipped with an S-Video connector.
- ⑦ **VIDEO OUT connector** (☞ pg. 56, 63)  
Connect to a TV or VCR using the VIDEO cable.
- ⑧ **AUDIO OUT connector [L/R]** (☞ pg. 56, 63)  
Connect to a TV or VCR using the Audio cable(s).
- ⑨ **DC OUT jack**  
Connect the DC cord and plug it into the camcorder.
- ⑩ **Lock lever (with release button)** (☞ pg. 56)  
Slide the lock lever in the direction of the arrow to connect to the camcorder. To detach the camcorder, press the release button and slide the lock lever in the opposite direction of the arrow.
- ⑪ **Charger Indicator (for camcorder or battery)** (☞ pg. 57)  
Blinks during charging. When charging is finished, this indicator stops blinking and stays lit. When the camcorder is turned on, charging is interrupted.
- ⑫ **Power lamp**

## Remote Control Unit (optional)

The RM-V712U remote control unit is included in the optional VU-V63KITU Station Kit.

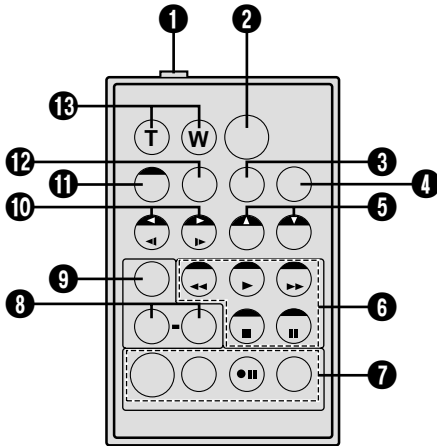


### Installing The Battery

- ① Pull out in the direction of the arrow while pressing the knob as shown.
- ② Insert the battery in the holder, and be sure to have the "+" mark visible.
- ③ Slide the holder back in until you hear a click.

### NOTE:

Read the caution concerning lithium batteries (pg. 2).



#### ① PAUSE IN connector (pg. 63)

Connects to a camcorder using an editing cable when performing Random Assemble Editing.

#### ② START/STOP button (pg. 20)

Starts recording, or stops recording and puts the camcorder in the record-standby mode.

#### ③ AUDIO MONITOR button (pg. 53)

Changes the sound output during playback.

#### ④ MBR SET button (pg. 62)

Enables VCR brand setting.

#### ⑤ Up/Down button (pg. 50)

Moves the image around on the display to find a particular portion of the picture.

#### ⑥ Operation buttons (pg. 48 – 51, 62)

Operates the camcorder or VCR.

#### ⑦ R.A. Edit buttons (pg. 63 – 67)

Allows you to make an original edited tape.

#### ⑧ EFFECT buttons (pg. 51)

Selects, activates and deactivates playback effects.

#### ⑨ FADE/WIPE button (pg. 63, 64)

Selects Fade/Wipe effects during Random Assemble Editing.

#### ⑩ SLOW Rewind/Forward buttons

(pg. 49, 50)

Performs slow-motion playback.

#### Left/Right buttons (pg. 50)

Moves the image around on the display to find a particular portion of the picture.

#### ⑪ SHIFT button (pg. 50, 62)

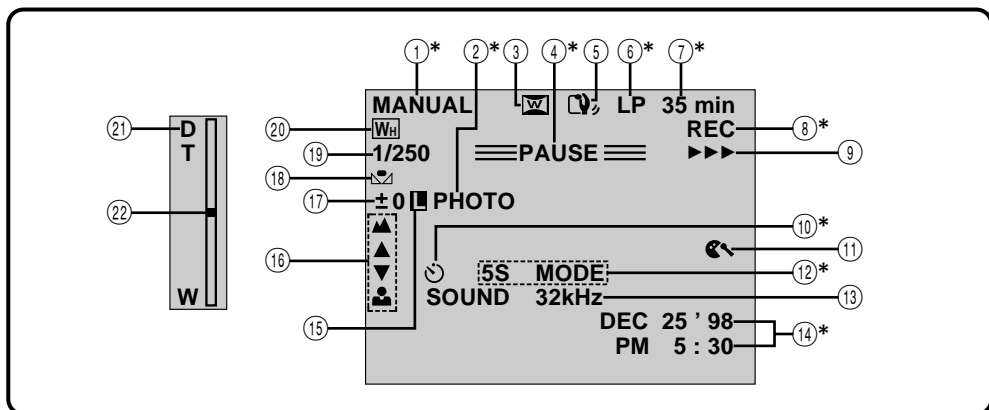
Enables the use of the Up/Down/Left/Right buttons during playback or the VCR Operation buttons.

#### ⑫ DISPLAY button (pg. 60)

Turns the display on or off on the connected TV.

#### ⑬ Zoom buttons (pg. 24, 50)

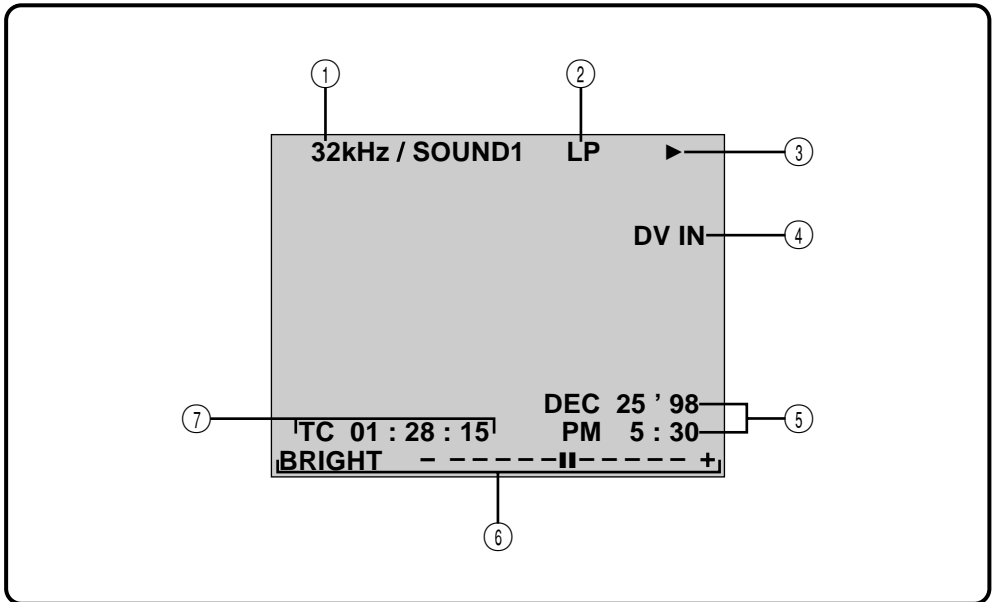
Magnifies the picture during recording or playback.



## Indications During Recording

| No. | FUNCTION   |
|-----|--|
| ①*  | Displays the operation mode position. (☞ pg. 19)   |
| ②*  | Appears when taking a Snapshot. (☞ pg. 28)   |
| ③   | Appears when in the Squeeze or Cinema mode. (☞ pg. 31)                                     |
| ④*  | Appears when in the Record-Standby mode. (☞ pg. 20)  |
| ⑤   | Appears when Digital Image Stabilizer is engaged. (☞ pg. 32)                               |
| ⑥*  | Displays the recording mode (SP or LP). (☞ pg. 15)   |
| ⑦*  | Displays the tape remaining time. (☞ pg. 21)   |
| ⑧*  | Appears during recording. (☞ pg. 20)   |
| ⑨   | Appears while the tape is running. (☞ pg. 20)  |
| ⑩*  | Appears during self-timer recording. (☞ pg. 27)  |
| ⑪   | Appears when the wind cut mode is engaged to cut down on noise created by wind. (☞ pg. 34) |
| ⑫*  | Displays the 5 second mode recording or animation recording mode. (☞ pg. 26)               |
| ⑬   | Displays the sound mode for approx. 5 seconds after turning on the camcorder. (☞ pg. 34)   |
| ⑭*  | Displays the date/time. (☞ pg. 25)   |
| ⑮   | Appears when the iris is locked. (☞ pg. 45)  |
| ⑯   | Appears when the focus is adjusted manually. (☞ pg. 43)                                    |
| ⑰   | Appears when the exposure is adjusted. (☞ pg. 44)  |
| ⑱   | Appears when the white balance is adjusted. (☞ pg. 47)                                     |
| ⑲   | Displays the selected P.AE/Effect. (☞ pg. 42)  |
| ⑳   | Displays the selected Fade/Wipe effect. (☞ pg. 39, 40)                                     |
| ㉑   | Appears when Digital Zoom is activated. (☞ pg. 32)   |
| ㉒   | Appears during zooming. (☞ pg. 24)   |

\* :Pressing **IND.ON/OFF** for longer than 1 second lets you remove indications marked with \* from the screen.


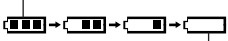







## Indications During Playback And Digital Dubbing

| No. | FUNCTION   |            |
|-----|--|------------|
| ①   | Displays the sound mode.   | (☞ pg. 53) |
| ②   | Displays the recording mode.   |            |
| ③   | Appears while a tape is running.<br>▶ : Playback<br>▶▶ : Fast-Forward/High-speed search<br>◀◀ : Rewind/High-speed search<br>   : Pause<br>  ▶ : Forward slow-motion<br>◀   : Reverse slow-motion<br>▶▶▶ : Recording* |            |
| ④   | Appears while in the digital dubbing mode.*  | (☞ pg. 61) |
| ⑤   | Displays the date/time.  | (☞ pg. 53) |
| ⑥   | Displays the brightness of the display.  | (☞ pg. 21) |
| ⑦   | Displays the time code.  | (☞ pg. 53) |

\* Appears during digital dubbing when this camcorder is used as a recorder (☞ pg. 61).

## Warning Indications

| INDICATIONS   | FUNCTION   |
|---|--|
|  | <p>Displays the battery remaining power.</p> <p>Remaining power level: high </p> <p>Remaining power level: exhausted </p> <p>As the battery power comes close to nil, the battery indicator  blinks. When the battery power is exhausted, power turns off automatically.</p> |
|  | <p>Appears when no tape is loaded, or when the erase protection tab is set to "SAVE". <span style="float: right;">(☞ pg. 14)</span></p>  |
|  | <p>Appears if dirt is detected on the heads during recording. (☞ pg. 82)</p>   |
|  | <p>Appears if condensation occurs. When this indication is displayed, the camcorder turns off automatically.</p>   |
| <p><b>TAPE!</b></p>   | <p>Appears for 10 seconds after power is turned on if there's no tape loaded.</p>  |
| <p><b>TAPE END</b></p>  | <p>Appears when the tape ends during recording or playback. <span style="float: right;">(☞ pg. 21)</span></p>  |
| <p><b>SET DATE/TIME!</b></p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Appears when the date/time is not set. <span style="float: right;">(☞ pg. 13)</span></li> <li>• Appears when the built-in rechargeable battery is discharged and the previously set date/time is erased. <span style="float: right;">(☞ pg. 13)</span></li> </ul>   |
| <p><b>E01 — E06</b></p>   | <p>The error indications (E01 — E06) show what type of malfunction has occurred. When an error indication appears, the camcorder turns off automatically. Press the reset button after removing the power supply (battery, etc.), and wait a few minutes for the indication to clear. When it does, you can resume using the camcorder. If the indication remains, consult your nearest JVC dealer. <span style="float: right;">(☞ pg. 72)</span></p>  |

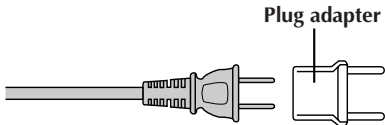


## When using the AC Power Adapter/Charger in areas other than the USA

- The provided AC Power Adapter/Charger features automatic voltage selection in the AC range from 110 V to 240 V.

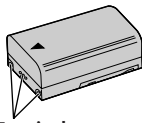
## USING HOUSEHOLD AC PLUG ADAPTER

In case of connecting the unit's power cord to an AC wall outlet other than American National Standard C73 series type use an AC plug adapter, called a "Siemens Plug", as shown. For this AC plug adapter, consult your nearest JVC dealer.



## Battery Packs

The supplied battery pack is a lithium-ion battery. Before using the supplied battery pack or an optional battery pack, be sure to read the following cautions:



### 1. To avoid hazard . . .

- .... **do not** burn.
- .... **do not** short-circuit the terminals.
- .... **do not** modify or disassemble.
- .... **do not** expose the battery to temperatures exceeding 60°C (140°F), as this may cause the battery to overheat, explode or catch fire.
- .... use only specified chargers.

### 2. To prevent damage and prolong service life . . .

- .... **do not** subject to unnecessary shock.
- .... charge in an environment where temperatures are within the tolerances shown in the chart below. This is a chemical reaction type battery—cooler temperatures impede chemical reaction, while warmer temperatures can prevent complete charging.
- .... store in a cool, dry place. Extended exposure to high temperatures will increase natural discharge and shorten service life.
- .... fully charge and then fully discharge the battery every 6 months when storing the battery pack over a long period time.
- .... remove from charger or powered unit when not in use, as some machines use current even when switched off.

## NOTES:

- *It is normal for the battery pack to be warm after charging, or after use.*
- ### Temperature Range Specifications
- |                 |                               |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|
| Charging .....  | 10°C to 35°C (50°F to 95°F)   |
| Operation ..... | 0°C to 40°C (32°F to 104°F)   |
| Storage .....   | -10°C to 30°C (-14°F to 86°F) |
- *Recharging time is based on room temperature of 20°C (68°F).*
  - *The lower the temperature, the longer recharging takes.*

## Cassettes

To properly use and store your cassettes, be sure to read the following cautions:

### 1. During use . . .

- .... make sure the cassette bears the Mini DV mark.
- .... be aware that recording onto prerecorded tapes automatically erases the previously recorded video and audio signals.
- .... make sure the cassette is positioned properly when inserting.
- .... do not load and unload the cassette repeatedly without allowing the tape to run at all. This slackens the tape and can result in damage.
- .... do not open the front tape cover. This exposes the tape to fingerprints and dust.

### 2. Store cassettes . . .

- .... away from heaters or other heat sources.
- .... out of direct sunlight.
- .... where they won't be subject to unnecessary shock or vibration.
- .... where they won't be exposed to strong magnetic fields (such as those generated by motors, transformers or magnets).
- .... vertically, in their original cases.

## Main Unit

### 1. For safety, DO NOT . . .

- .... open the camcorder's chassis.
- .... disassemble or modify the unit.
- .... short-circuit the terminals of the battery pack.  
Keep it away from metallic objects when not in use.
- .... allow inflammables, water or metallic objects to enter the unit.
- .... remove the battery pack or disconnect the power supply while the power is on.
- .... leave the battery pack attached when the camcorder is not in use.

### 2. Avoid using the unit . . .

- .... in places subject to excessive humidity or dust.
- .... in places subject to soot or steam such as near a cooking stove.
- .... in places subject to excessive shock or vibration.
- .... near a television set.
- .... near appliances generating strong magnetic or electric fields (speakers, broadcasting antennas, etc.).
- .... in places subject to extremely high (over 40°C or 104°F) or extremely low (under 0°C or 32°F) temperatures.

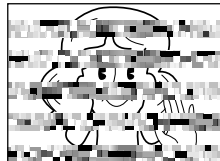
### 3. DO NOT leave the unit . . .

- .... in places of over 50°C (122°F).
- .... in places where humidity is extremely low (below 35%) or extremely high (above 80%).
- .... in direct sunlight.
- .... in a closed car in summer.
- .... near a heater.

### 4. To protect the unit, DO NOT . . .

- .... allow it to become wet.
- .... drop the unit or strike it against hard objects.
- .... subject it to shock or excessive vibration during transportation.
- .... keep the lens directed at extremely bright objects for long periods.
- .... expose the lens to direct sunlight.
- .... carry it by holding the viewfinder.
- .... swing it excessively when using the hand strap or the grip.
- .... swing the soft camera case excessively when the camcorder is inside it.

### 5. Dirty heads can cause the following problems:



- No picture and sound during playback (blue back screen).
- Blocks of noise appear during playback.
- During recording, the Head Clog Warning indicator "⊗" appears.

In such cases, use the optional Cleaning Cassette. Insert it and play back. If the cassette is used more than once consecutively, damage to the video heads may result. After the camcorder plays back for about 20 seconds, it stops automatically. Also refer to the Cleaning Cassette's instructions.

If, after using the Cleaning Cassette, the problems still exist, consult your nearest JVC dealer. Mechanical moving parts used to move the video heads and video tape tend to become dirty and worn out over time. In order to maintain a clear picture at all times, periodic check-ups are recommended after using the unit for about 1,000 hours. For periodic check-ups please consult your nearest JVC dealer.

**INFORMATION:**

This device complies with Part 15 of FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

(1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation. Change or modifications not approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment. This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

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

**About moisture condensation . . .**

- You have observed that pouring a cold liquid into a glass will cause drops of water to form on the glass' outer surface. This same phenomenon occurs on the head drum of a camcorder when it is moved from a cool place to a warm place, after heating a cold room, under extremely humid conditions or in a place directly subjected to the cool air from an air conditioner.
- Moisture on the head drum can cause severe damage to the video tape, and can lead to internal damage to the camcorder itself.

**Serious malfunctioning**

If malfunctioning occurs, stop using the unit immediately and consult your local JVC dealer.

The camcorder is a microcomputer-controlled device. External noise and interference (from a TV, a radio, etc.) might prevent it from functioning properly. In such cases, first disconnect its power supply unit (battery pack, AC Power Adapter/Charger, etc.) and press the RESET button and then re-connect it and proceed as usual from the beginning.

## CAMCORDER

**General**

|                                      |   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| <b>Power</b>                         | : DC 6.3 V $\text{---}$ (using AC Power Adapter/Charger)<br>DC 7.2 V $\text{---}$ (using Battery)                 |
| <b>Power consumption</b>             | : Approx. 6.5 W   |
| <b>Format</b>                        | : DV Format (SD mode)   |
| <b>Signal format</b>                 | : NTSC Standard   |
| <b>Video signal recording format</b> | : Digital Component Recording   |
| <b>Cassette</b>                      | : MINI DV Cassette  |
| <b>Tape Speed</b>                    | : SP: 18.8 mm/s<br>LP: 12.5 mm/s  |
| <b>Maximum recording time</b>        | : SP: 60 min.<br>LP: 90 min. (using M-DV60ME cassette)  |
| <b>Pickup</b>                        | : 1/4" CCD  |
| <b>Lens</b>                          | : F1.8, f = 3.6 to 36 mm, 10:1 Power Zoom Lens  |
| <b>Filter diameter</b>               | : $\varnothing$ 27 mm (with the lens hood attached)<br>$\varnothing$ 25.5 mm (with the lens hood detached)        |
| <b>Viewfinder</b>                    | : 0.55" color LCD, 113,000 pixels   |
| <b>Operating temperature</b>         | : 0 to 40°C (32°F to 104°F)   |
| <b>Operating humidity</b>            | : 35 to 80%   |
| <b>Storage temperature</b>           | : -20 to 50°C (-4°F to 122°F)   |
| <b>Dimensions</b>                    | : 45 (W) x 135 (H) x 81 (D) mm (1-7/8" x 5-3/8" x 3-1/4")<br>(with the viewfinder pushed back in)                 |
| <b>Weight</b>                        | : Approx. 380 g (0.84 lbs) (without cassette and battery)<br>Approx. 470 g (1.1 lbs) (incl. cassette and battery) |

**Video**

|                        |  |
|------------------------|--|
| <b>Output</b>          | : 1 V <sub>p-p</sub> , 75 $\Omega$ unbalanced, analog output<br>(via $\varnothing$ 3.5 mm AV output connector) |
| <b>DV output/input</b> | : 4-pin, IEEE1394 conformity, digital output/input   |

**Audio**

|                                  |   |
|----------------------------------|---|
| <b>Output</b>                    | : -8 dBs, 1 k $\Omega$ analog output (via $\varnothing$ 3.5 mm AV output connector) |
| <b>Headphone output</b>          | : Stereo (via $\varnothing$ 3.5 mm AV output connector)                             |
| <b>External microphone input</b> | : -62 dBs, high impedance unbalanced with $\varnothing$ 3.5 mm (stereo)             |

## AC ADAPTER/CHARGER

|                              |  |
|------------------------------|--|
| <b>Power</b>                 |  |
| U.S.A. and Canada            | : AC 120 V $\sim$ , 60 Hz  |
| Other Countries              | : AC 110 to 240 V $\sim$ , 50/60 Hz  |
| <b>Power consumption</b>     | : 20 W   |
| <b>Output power</b>          | : DC 7.2 V $\text{---}$ , 0.77 A (charge)<br>DC 6.3 V $\text{---}$ , 1.8 A (VTR) |
| <b>Operating temperature</b> | : 0°C to 40°C (32°F to 104°F)<br>(when charging, 10°C to 35°C (50°F to 95°F))    |
| <b>Dimensions</b>            | : 94 mm (W) x 35 mm (H) x 122 mm (D)<br>(3-3/4" x 1-7/16" x 4-13/16")            |
| <b>Weight</b>                | : Approx. 300 g (0.67 lbs)   |

*Specifications shown are for SP mode unless otherwise indicated. E & O.E. Design and specifications subject to change without notice.*

**Iris**

Works like the pupil of the human eye. In a well-lit environment, the human pupil contracts to keep too much light from entering. In low lighting, the pupil dilates to allow more light in.

**Color temperature**

A measurement in Kelvin degrees which indicates the color contents of a light source; bluish light has a higher color temperature than reddish light. To reproduce white as white under different types of lighting, the chrominance signal must be adjusted to match the light source's color temperature. (See "White Balance".)

**AC Power Adapter/Charger**

Used when charging the battery. Or, when connected directly to the camcorder, it can be used as a power supply.

**Auto focus**

Focus can be set for automatic adjustment, for beginners who find the adjustment difficult.

**On-screen display**

Displays in the viewfinder can be shown on a connected TV.

**Strobe**

In the early days of movie making, 1-second strobes were uncommon, so movies didn't have the smooth movement they have today. This function gives movies the old-film flicker effect.

**Record-Standby**

Engage this mode by pressing START/STOP during Stop or Record modes. It means that the camcorder, or your VCR, is paused and ready to record.

**CCD (Charge coupled device)**

Solid-state imaging device used in camcorders as the camera's image pickup; analogous to the eye's retina except that picture information is output as electric signals.

**Dew sensor**

If condensation forms inside the unit due to a temperature change, the indicator appears in the viewfinder, and the camcorder becomes unusable.

**Digital zoom**

10X Optical zoom image is taken and digitally processed to provide 40X or 100X magnified images.

**Digital Image Stabilizer**

When shooting while holding the camcorder in your hand, even if you think you're perfectly still, there is slight movement. This function compensates for that movement.

**Fade**

An effect used in scene transitions. Like movies or TV, the scene gradually goes black or white (fade out), or comes in from a black or white screen (fade in).


**White balance**

A term that refers to the correctness of color reproduction under various lighting. If the white balance is correct, all other colors will be accurately reproduced.


**Wipe**

An effect used in scene transitions. A scene disappears as though it's being wiped off the screen (wipe out), or appears as though it's wiped on (wipe in).






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









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