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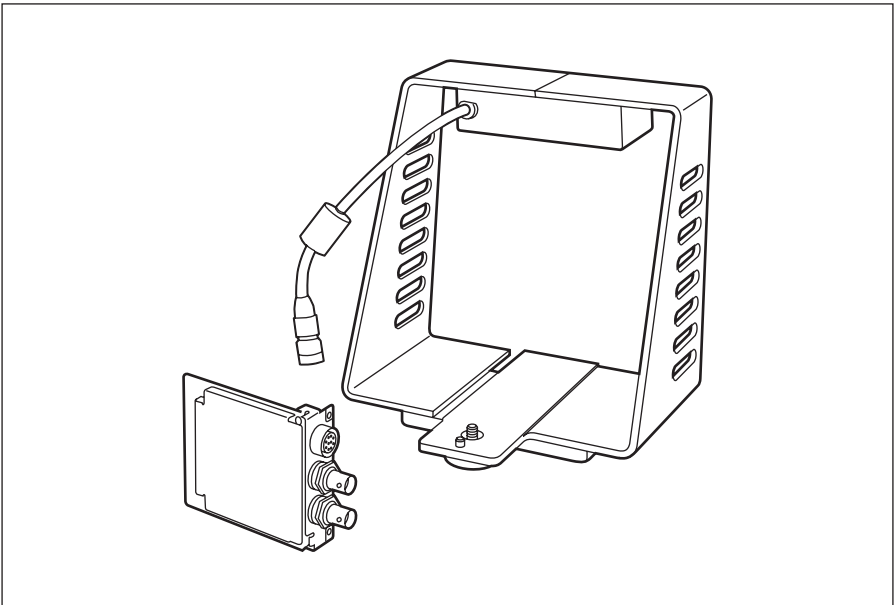
Operating Instructions

AW-PB506AN

This product consists of an SDI card and an interface bracket.

Before attempting to connect, operate or adjust this product, please read these instructions completely.

Safety precautions

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Safety precautions

WARNING:
- **TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE OR SHOCK HAZARD, DO NOT EXPOSE THIS EQUIPMENT TO RAIN OR MOISTURE.**
- **TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE OR SHOCK HAZARD, KEEP THIS EQUIPMENT AWAY FROM ALL LIQUIDS. USE AND STORE ONLY IN LOCATIONS WHICH ARE NOT EXPOSED TO THE RISK OF DRIPPING OR SPLASHING LIQUIDS, AND DO NOT PLACE ANY LIQUID CONTAINERS ON TOP OF THE EQUIPMENT.**

CAUTION:
TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE OR SHOCK HAZARD AND ANNOYING INTERFERENCE, USE THE RECOMMENDED ACCESSORIES ONLY.

CAUTION:
TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE OR SHOCK HAZARD, REFER CHANGES OF SWITCH SETTINGS INSIDE THE UNIT TO QUALIFIED SERVICE PERSONNEL.

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Introduction

Installing the SDI card in a convertible camera (such as the AW-E350, AW-E650, AW-E655, AW-E750 and AW-E860) and mounting the camera on the interface bracket makes it possible for a viewfinder and/or inter-communications headset to be used and thus enable the camera to be used as a studio camera. In addition, there are two signal outputs for SDI signals compliant with the SMPTE259M standard.

> **Notes**
> - The AW-PB506A cannot be installed to the following models; AW-E300, AW-E300A, AW-E300S, AW-E600, AW-E800, AW-E800A, AW-RP605, AW-PB605
> - When the SDI card unit is to be discarded at the end of its service life, ask a specialized contractor to dispose of it properly in order to protect the environment.

Characteristics

- Two signal outputs for SDI signals compliant with the SMPTE259M standard [BELDEN 8281 or equivalent coaxial cable; max. 656 ft. (200 m)] EDH (Error Detection and Handling) flags complying with the SMPTE RP165 standard can be added. (A switch can be used to enable or disable the addition of these flags.)

- An inter-communications headset can be used and its volume adjusted.

- The STANDBY/ON switch function of the viewfinder (WV-VF65B, AW-VF80) is incorporated.

- Output signals (brightness and composite video signals) to the viewfinder can be switched using the menu settings.

- Zebra pattern and safety zone displays appearing in the viewfinder can be switched using the menu settings.

- The VIDEO ON/OFF switch function of the viewfinder (AW-VF64) is incorporated. (In order to prevent CRT burn-in, the AW-VF64 does not come with a standby function.)

Precautions for use

- When connecting or disconnecting a cable from any unit, ensure that the power to that unit is turned off.

- Do not drop this product or subject it to strong shock or vibration, as this may cause it to malfunction.

- Avoid using the unit in very humid or dusty locations, as this may cause it to malfunction.

- Avoid using the product at a cold place below 14°F (−10°C) or at a hot place above 113°F (+45°C) because extremely low or high temperature will adversely affect the parts inside.

Major operating controls and their functions

■SDI card
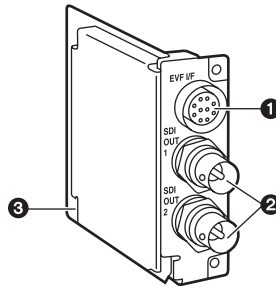
❶ **EVF I/F connector [EVF I/F]**
The EVF I/F cable ❾ from the interface bracket is connected here.

❷ **SDI output 1, 2 connector [SDI OUT 1, 2]**
SDI signals are output from here.

❸ **Setting switches**
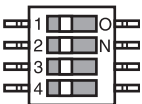
SW NO		OFF	ON
1	EDH	ENABLE	DISABLE
2	SETTING	E350	E860
3	DATA CLIP	NORMAL	CLIP
4	NTSC/PAL	NTSC	PAL

1: EDH <ENABLE/DISABLE>
(Factory setting: ENABLE)
An EDH flag is added to SDI output at the ENABLE setting.

2: Model selection <E350/E860>
(Factory setting: E350)
When the AW-E350, AW-E650, AW-E655 or AW-E750 is used, set this switch at the E350.
When the AW-E860 is used, set this switch at the E860.

3: DATA CLIP <NORMAL/CLIP>
(Factory setting: NORMAL)
At the NORMAL setting, signal input is output at the same level at which it was input.
At the CLIP setting, signal input at less than 0% is output at 0%, and signal input at more than 100% is clipped at 100%.

4: NTSC/PAL switching <NTSC/PAL>
(Factory setting: NTSC)
Leave this switch at the factory setting.

Major operating controls and their functions

■Interface bracket
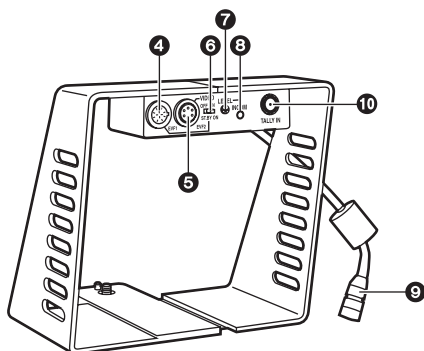
❹ EVF connector 1 [EVF1]
The viewfinder (WV-VF65B, AW-VF80) is connected here.

❺ EVF connector 2 [EVF2]
The viewfinder AW-VF64 is connected here.

> **Note**
> ● Do not connect EVFs to EVF connectors 1 and 2 (❹ and ❺) at the same time.

❻ EVF standby / VIDEO ON/OFF switch
[ST.BY / VIDEO ON/OFF]
<For the WV-VF65B, AW-VF80>
ST.BY: Places the viewfinder in standby mode.
ON: Outputs images to the viewfinder.
<For the AW-VF64>
VIDEO ON: Outputs images to the viewfinder.
VIDEO OFF: No images appear on the viewfinder.

※The AW-VF64 does not come with a standby function.

❼ Inter-communications level control [LEVEL]
This adjusts the sound level output to the inter-communications headset.

❽ Inter-communications jack (M3) [INCOM]
The inter-communications headset is connected here.
If the plug diameter does not match, use the adjuster plug (M6 ▶ M3) supplied with this product.
MIC: Dynamic (With Preamp) 50 Ω/–20 dB
Receiver: 150 Ω (max. 200 mW)

❾ EVF I/F cable
This is connected to the EVF I/F connector ❶ on the SDI card.

❿ TALLY input connector [TALLY IN]
This is the tally control external input connector.
OPEN: TALLY OFF
SHORT: TALLY ON

When using the AW-CB400 remote operation panel and AW-CA50T8G control cable for connecting to the convertible camera, connect the TALLY cable of the AW-CA50T8G to this connector.

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Installing the SDI card

> **Always ask your local dealer to install the SDI card.**

Before installing the SDI card:
● Release the static carried in the body of the person to perform the installation.
  Installation can be performed more safely if an anti-static wrist strap is worn.
  Touching the card without first releasing this static may cause malfunctioning.

● Do not allow the metal part of the card come in contact with any other metal parts.

Rear panel

Optional card slot cover

SDI card

2 screws 1/4" (6 mm)
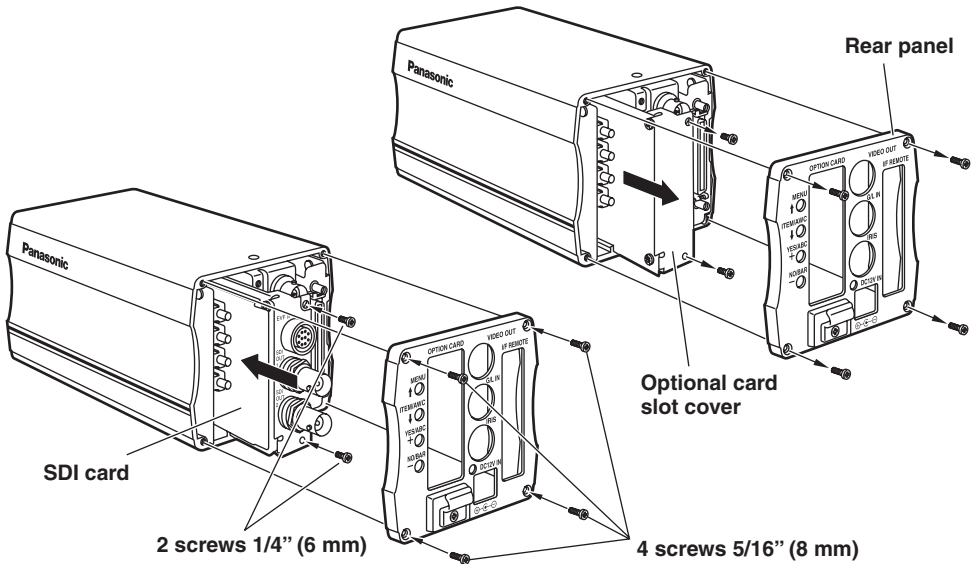
4 screws 5/16" (8 mm)

1 Turn the power to the camera off and remove any cables which are connected to the power connector or other connectors.

2 Loosen the 4 screws [5/16" (8 mm)] on the rear panel of the camera, then remove the panel itself.

3 Loosen the 2 screws [1/4" (6 mm)] on the optional card slot cover, then remove the cover.

4 Align the SDI card with the guides and insert it.
  Ensure the card is fully inserted.

5 Firmly tighten the 2 screws [1/4" (6 mm)] to the optional card slot.

6 Firmly secure the rear panel with the 4 screws [5/16" (8 mm)].

Note
● If the screws are misplaced, use the extra screws supplied with this product.

Interface bracket mountings

■Mounting the bracket on a tripod

1 Mount the interface bracket on the tripod. (Screw: 1/4 – 20UNC)
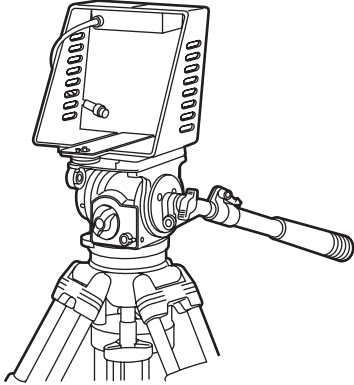
■Mounting the camera

2 Mount the camera (in which the SDI card has been installed) on the interface bracket.
Fasten the fixing knob to firmly secure the camera.

Fixing knob
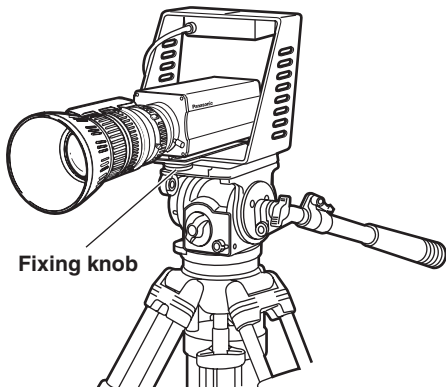
■Mounting the viewfinder on a bracket

3 Mount the mounting base that is supplied to the viewfinder onto the top of the interface bracket using the 2 screws provided.
(Mount the base securely so that it is not unsteady.)

Mounting base

2 screws
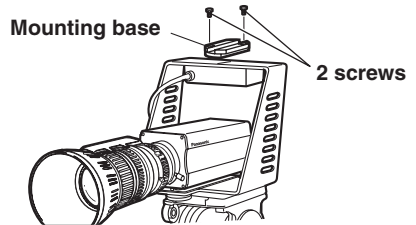
4 Slide the viewfinder onto the mounting base and tighten the fixing knob to secure it firmly.

5 Connect the viewfinder cable to the EVF connector 1 or 2 on the interface bracket.

6 Connect the EVF I/F cable from the interface bracket to the EVF I/F connector on the SDI card.

<WV-VF65B, AW-VF80, etc.>

Fixing knob

Fixing knob

<AW-VF64>
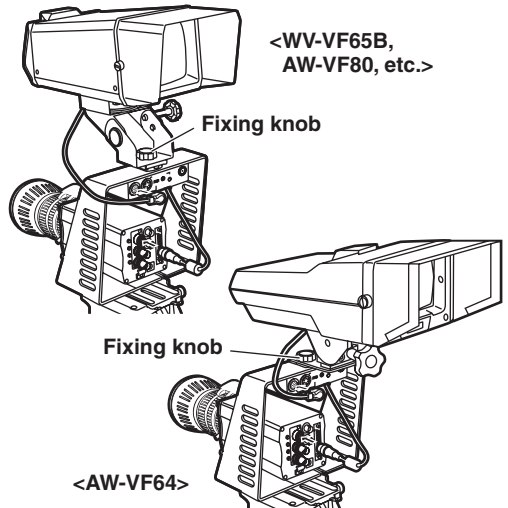
Connections

■When configuring a system with the remote control unit

Convertible camera:
  AW-E350, AW-E650, AW-E655,
  AW-E750, AW-E860, etc.

Viewfinder:
  WV-VF65B, AW-VF80, AW-VF64, etc.

Remote control unit (RCU):
  WV-RC700A, WV-RC550, AW-RC600,
  etc.

Inter-communications headset
Video monitor
SDI monitor

● Use the RCU cable (AW-CA50A26) to
  connect the remote control unit to the
  convertible camera.
  Power to the camera is supplied from the
  remote control unit.

Inter-communications headset

Viewfinder:
  WV-VF65B, AW-VF80,
  AW-VF64, etc.

Convertible camera:
  AW-E350, AW-E650, AW-E655,
  AW-E750, AW-E860, etc.

SDI monitor

SDI output

Coaxial cable:
  BELDEN 8281
  [max. 656 ft. (200 m)]

Remote control unit (RCU):
  WV-RC700A, WV-RC550,
  AW-RC600, etc.

Video monitor

Composite signals

Coaxial cable

Inter-communications headset

RCU cable:
  AW-CA50A26

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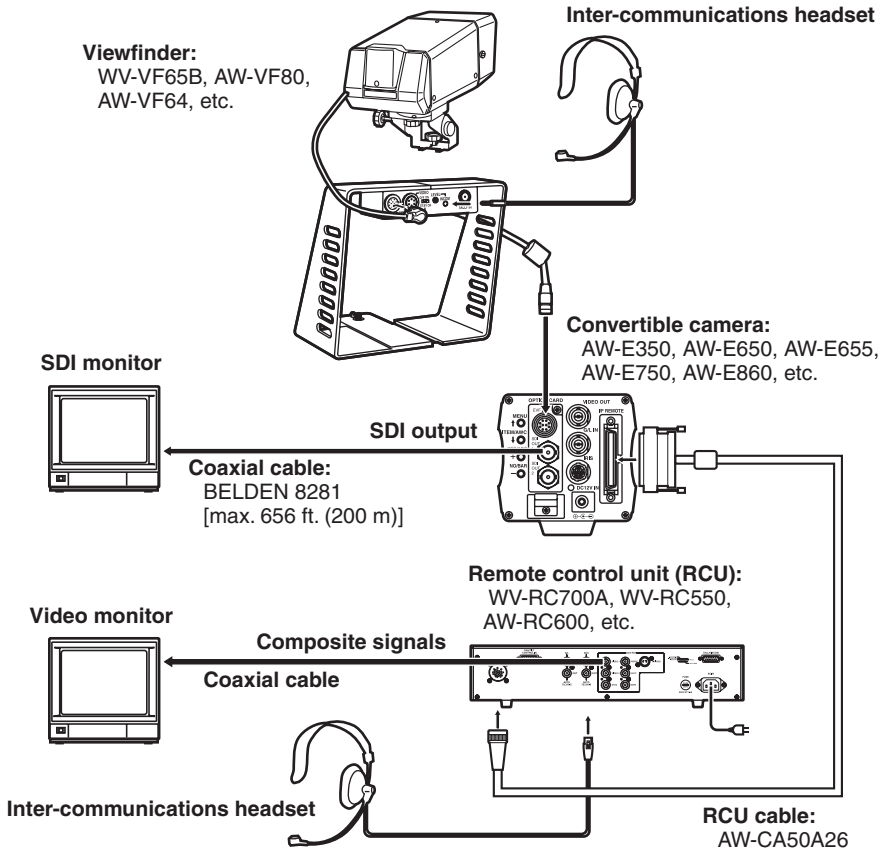
Connections

■When configuring a system with the remote operation panel

Convertible camera:
  AW-E350, AW-E650, AW-E655,
  AW-E750, AW-E860, etc.

Viewfinder:
  WV-VF65B, AW-VF80, AW-VF64, etc.

Remote operation panel:
  AW-CB400, etc.

Video monitor
SDI monitor

● Use the control cable (AW-CA50T8G) to connect the remote operation panel to the convertible camera.
  Use the AW-PS505A AC adapter, which is an optional accessory, for the power supply.

● Inter-communication between the remote operation panel and studio SDI card is not possible.

Viewfinder:
  WV-VF65B, AW-VF80,
  AW-VF64, etc.

TALLY cable

Convertible camera:
  AW-E350, AW-E650,
  AW-E655, AW-E750,
  AW-E860, etc.

SDI monitor

SDI output

Coaxial cable:
  BELDEN 8281
  [max. 656 ft. (200 m)]

AC adapter:
  AW-PS505A

Video monitor

Cable provided with AC adapter

Remote operation panel:
  AW-CB400, etc.

10BASE-T straight cable

Cable provided with AC adapter

AC adapter:
  AW-PS505A

Control cable:
  AW-CA50T8G
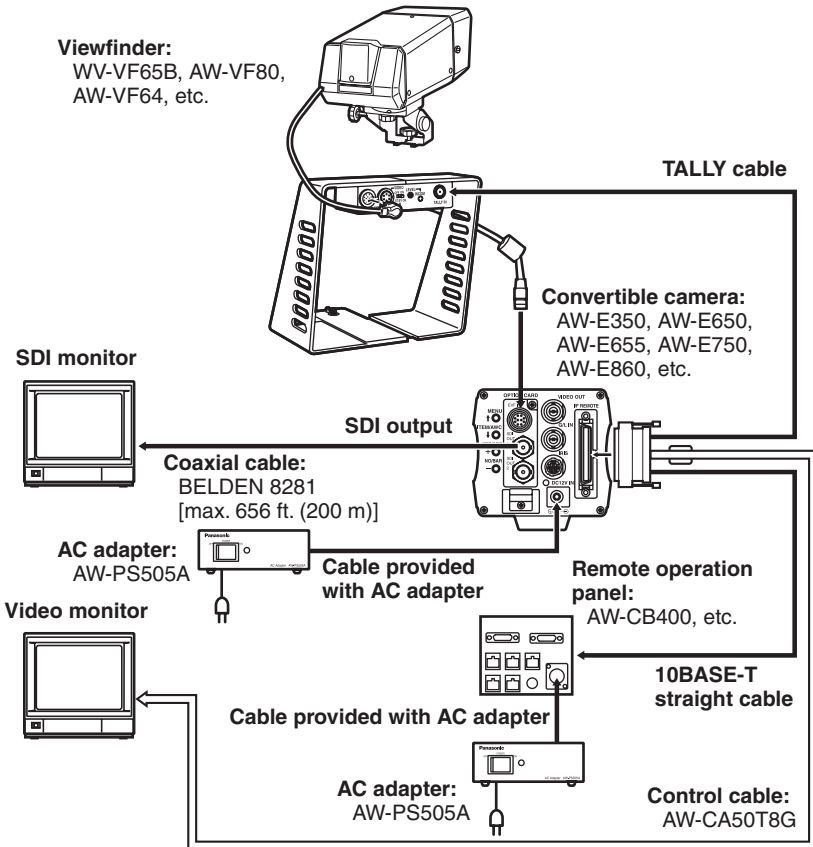
Setting and changing of menu items

- Camera settings to match the system configuration and filming conditions can be made using the menu screens.
  See the convertible camera operating instructions for more information on the settings.
- For details on the setting procedures when the remote control unit and remote operation panel are used, refer to the operating instructions of the unit and panel.

■Performing the settings

1 Display the main menu.

When performing the settings with the convertible camera:
Press the MENU switch continuously for at least 5 seconds.

When performing the settings with the remote control unit (AW-RC600):
Set the MENU switch to "ON".

- **Main menu for halogen light mode, fluorescent light mode and outdoor mode**

The mode selected is displayed here.

```
**Halogen Light Mode Set**

  Brightness Set
  Color Set
  G/L, Color Bar Set
  Color Sharpness(DTL)Set
  Other Set
  Option Card 1*
  Initialize Data

(End)
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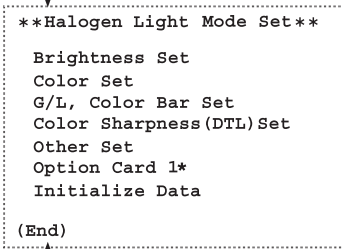
To return to filming mode
(This is displayed when the convertible camera is used to perform the settings.)

- **Main menu for user mode**

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**User Mode Set**

  Iris, Shutter, Gain Set
  Color Set
  G/L, Color Bar Set
  Detail Set1 Detail Set2
  Color Matrix Set
  Other Set1 Other Set2
  Option Card 1*
  Initialize Data

(End)
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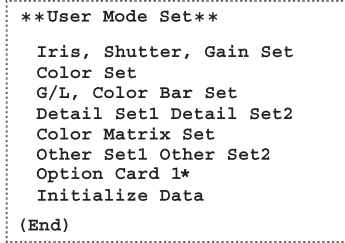
* "Option Card 2" is displayed on the menu when the optional card has been plugged into the optional card slot of the additional card box.

- **Convertible camera**

MENU switch
ITEM/AWC switch
YES/ABC switch
NO/BAR switch

- **Remote control unit (AW-RC600)**

MENU switch

ITEM UP switch
ITEM DOWN switch
DATA YES/UP switch
DATA NO/DOWN switch
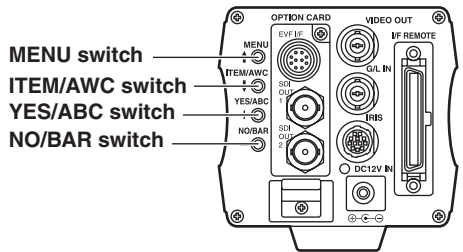
Setting and changing of menu items

2 Select "Option Card 1" to display the submenu.

When performing the settings with the convertible camera:
Press the MENU or ITEM/AWC switch to move the flashing to the setting item, then press the YES/ABC switch to display the submenu.

When performing the settings with the remote control unit (AW-RC600):
Press the ITEM UP or ITEM DOWN switch to move the flashing to the setting item, then press the DATA YES/UP switch to display the submenu.

3 Select the setting item and change the setting.

When performing the settings with the convertible camera:
Press the MENU or ITEM/AWC switch to move the flashing to the desired setting item, then press the YES/ABC or NO/BAR switch to change the setting.

When performing the settings with the remote control unit (AW-RC600):
Press the ITEM UP or ITEM DOWN switch to move the flashing to the desired setting item, then press the DATA YES/UP or DATA NO/DOWN switch to change the setting.

4 Return to filming mode.

When performing the settings with the convertible camera:
Press the MENU or ITEM/AWC switch and select "End" on the main menu, then press the YES/ABC switch.

When performing the settings with the remote control unit (AW-RC600):
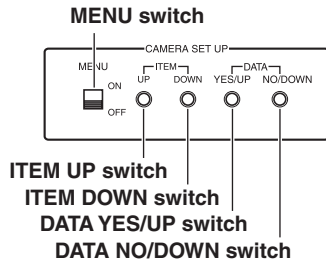Set the MENU switch to "OFF".

After being returned to filming mode, the convertible camera will operate as per the changed settings.

Setting and changing of menu items

■Optional card settings submenu

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**Option Card Set**
❶──── Zebra Indicator        ON
❷──── Level                 90%
❸──── Safety Zone             1
❹──── EVF Output              Y



   Return
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❶ Zebra indicator (ON, OFF)
This sets the zebra pattern display which appears in the viewfinder.

ON: Zebra patterns are displayed in the viewfinder.

OFF: Zebra patterns are not displayed in the viewfinder.

<Note>
Even if "ON" is selected for this setting, the zebra patterns will not be displayed in the viewfinder if "CVBS" has been selected as the EVF output ❹ setting.

❷ Level (70% to 110%)
The zebra patterns are displayed to use as a yardstick for the brightness level.

<Note>
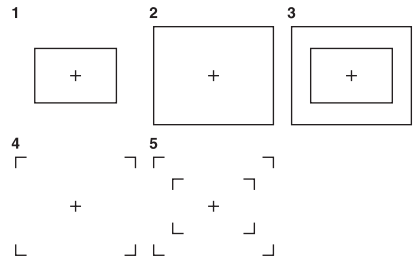These settings are available when "ON" has been selected for the Zebra indicator ❶ setting.

❸ Safety zone (1 to 4, OFF)
This selects the type of safety zone that is displayed in the viewfinder.
If "OFF" is selected, a safety zone will not be displayed.

<Note>
The safety zone and the center marker reflect the electrical positions which may differ from the optical positions.

The inner frame and the outer frame are approximately 90% and 95%, respectively, of the safety zone.

❹ EVF output (Y, CVBS)
This sets the signals to be output to the viewfinder.

Y: Brightness signals are output to the viewfinder.

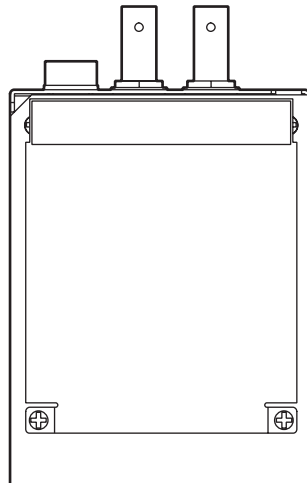**CVBS:** Color signals are output to the viewfinder.

<Note>
The zebra pattern is not displayed in the viewfinder when "CVBS" has been selected.

Appearance

■SDI card

3-5/8 (92)

4-3/8 (111)

EVF I/F

SDI OUT 1

SDI OUT 2

7/8 (21.5)

2-3/4 (70)

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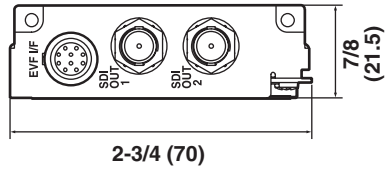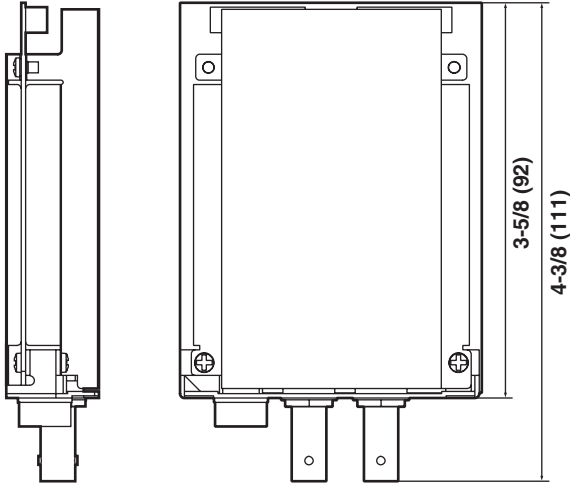
Appearance

■Interface bracket

Unit: inch (mm)

2-1/16 (50)

7-3/16 (183)

7-1/2 (190)

5-9/16 (141)   1-3/16 (30)

VIDEO
OFF ON LEVEL
STBY ON   INCOM
EVF1   EVF2   TALLY IN
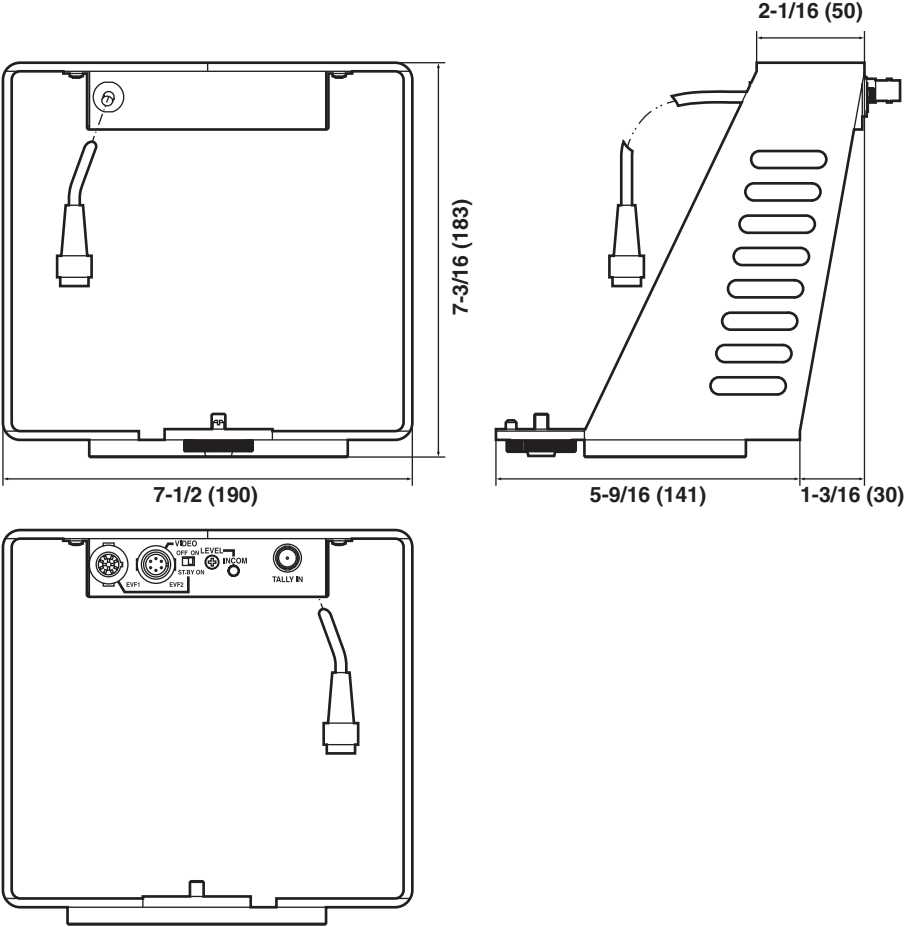
Specifications

> **Power requirements:** DC 12 V (supplied from convertible camera)
>
> **Power consumption:** 15 W (When WV-VF65B, AW-VF80 is connected)

⬜ indicates safety information.

Ambient operating temperature: +14°F to +113°F (–10°C to +45°C)

Ambient operating humidity: 30% to 90% (without condensation)

Dimensions (W×H×D):
  SDI card 7/8"×2-3/4"×3-5/8" (21.5×70×92 mm)
  (excluding protrusions)
  Interface bracket 7-1/2"×7-3/16"×6-3/4" (190×183×171 mm)
  (excluding protrusions)

Weight:
  SDI card 0.2 lbs. (0.10 kg)
  Interface bracket 2.3 lbs. (1.06 kg)

Input/output connectors:
  SDI card
    SDI OUT 1, 2 connector BNC, compliant with the SMPTE 259M standard
    EVF I/F connector 10-pin, round
  Interface bracket
    EVF connector 1 10-pin, round, composite signals/brightness, 1.0 V [P-P]
    EVF connector 2 6-pin, round, composite signals/brightness, 1.0 V [P-P]
    Inter-communications jack M3
    TALLY input connector BNC

Switch/control functions:
  SDI card • EDH ENABLE/DISABLE
    • Model selection E350/E860
    • DATA CLIP NORMAL/CLIP
    • NTSC/PAL switching NTSC/PAL
  Interface bracket EVF standby / VIDEO ON/OFF switch
    WV-VF65B, AW-VF80 ST.BY/ON
    AW-VF64 VIDEO ON/VIDEO OFF
    Inter-communications level control
  Menu screens Zebra indicator (ON/OFF)
    Level (70% to 110%)
    Safety zone (1/2/3/4/5/OFF)
    EVF output (Y/CVBS)

Weight and dimensions indicated above are approximate.
Specifications are subject to change without notice.

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