

Operating Instructions



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

Purchase Information

The serial number of these products may be found on the bottom of the Camcorder and on the surface of the AC Adaptor. No other has the same serial number as yours. You should record the number and other vital information here and retain this book as a permanent record of your purchase to aid identification in case of theft.

Safety Precautions

WARNING: TO PREVENT FIRE OR SHOCK HAZARD, DO NOT EXPOSE THIS EQUIPMENT TO RAIN OR MOISTURE.

Your Camcorder is designed to record and play back in Standard Play (SP) mode only. Your Camcorder will not perform normal playback for programs pre-recorded in Long Play (LP) or Super Long Play (SLP) mode.

Date of Purchase

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Model No.	PV-800D/PV-A25		
Serial No.			

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

This Camcorder is equipped with the HQ System to provide excellent video pictures, and is compatible with standard VHS equipment.

Only use those tapes with the VHS mark. It is recommended that only cassette tapes that have been tested and inspected for use in 2, 4, 6 and 8 hour VCR machines be used.





This symbol warns the user that uninsulated voltage within the unit may have sufficient magnitude to cause electric shock. Therefore, it is dangerous to make any kind of contact with any inside part of this unit.

This symbol alerts the user that important literature concerning the operation and maintenance of this unit has been included. Therefore, it should be read carefully in order to avoid any problems.

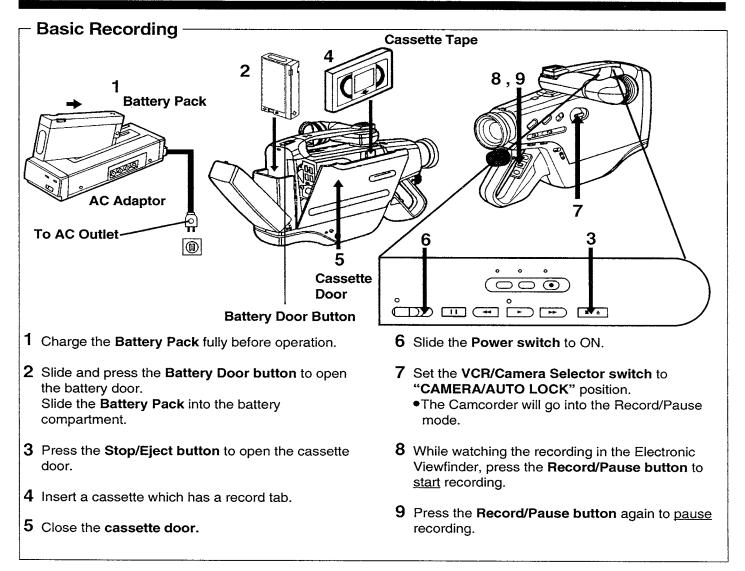
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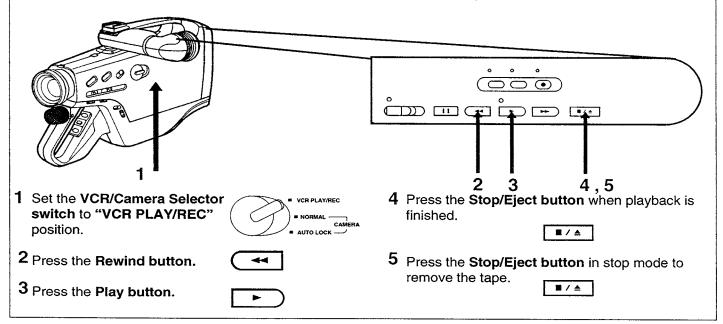
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Basic Steps

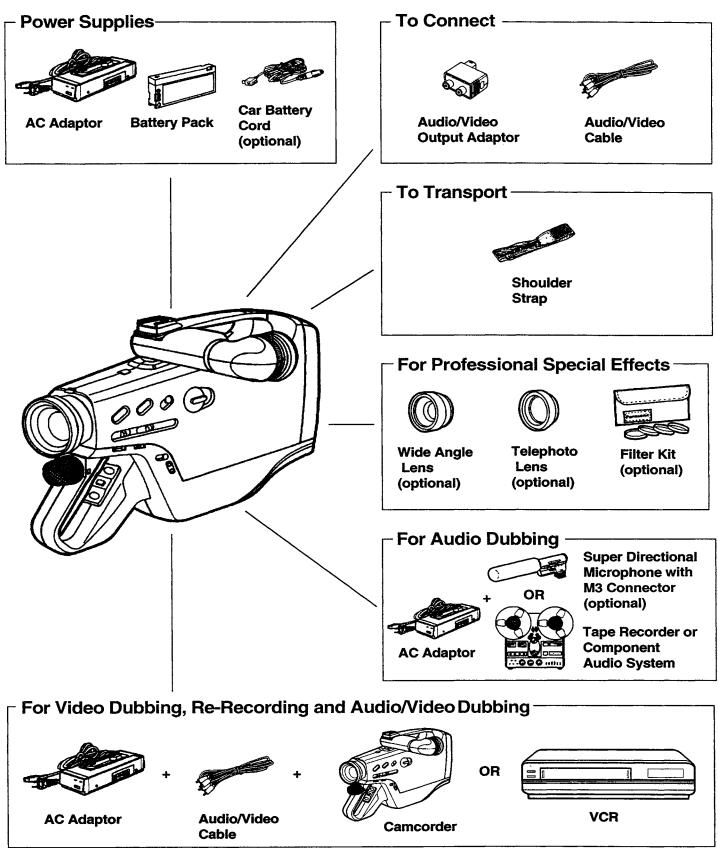


– To Watch Playback in the EVF (Electronic Viewfinder) –



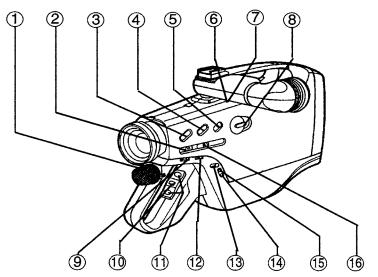
Camcorder System

Accessories to suit your every need!



Description of Controls

Front View



- Wind Buffer Switch Usually set to "NORMAL". Set to "WIND BUFFER" to reduce wind noise.
- (2) High Speed Shutter Switch Capable of recording action at 1/125,1/250, 1/500,1/1000,1/2000,1/4000 or 1/10000 of a second for still or slow motion playback.

③ Fade Button

When this button is pressed, the picture in the viewfinder and on the tape will fade out. When this button is released, the picture will automatically fade in.

4 Backlight Button

Press this button while recording your subject and the lens opening will automatically compensate for high contrast lighting conditions.

5 Date/Time Button

Used to display the date and time or the date only.

- 6 Select Button/(Tracking Control)* Used to select the date or time when the clock mode is selected.
- Set Button/(Tracking Control)* Used to set the date or time when the clock mode is selected.
- 8 VCR/Camera Selector Switch (with Auto Lock) Positions: VCR Play/Rec:

Select this position to use the VCR functions. CAMERA/Normal

Record: All of the buttons for camera recording can be used here.

Edit: In this position you can hold down the play and search buttons to view scenes. CAMERA/Auto Lock

Record: Used to lock-out the more advanced features for easier camera recording operation under most conditions. Edit: Functions as described above.

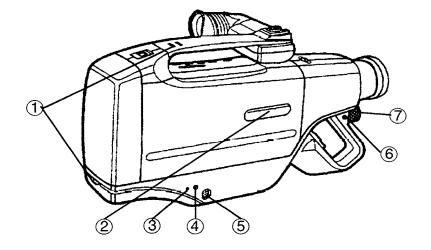
The manual Focus, Record Review, Backlight, Fade, White Balance, High Speed Shutter and Self Timer/Time Lapse buttons will not operate when in the "Camera/Auto Lock" mode.

- White Balance Switch The White Balance Switch in "AUTO" will automatically maintain the optimum color balance in either indoor or outdoor lighting conditions.
- Record/Pause Button Used to start or pause camera recording.
- Power Zoom Switch Used to "zoom-in" for a close up with telephoto ("T") or "zoom-out" with wide angle ("W").
- 12 Focus Switch (with Push-to-focus button) Use the "AUTO" position for constant auto focus. In the "MANUAL" position the focus remains fixed until you manually adjust the Lens Focus Dial, or use the Push-to-focus button.
- Record Review Button Press this button to review the last few seconds of your recording.
- Counter Display/Memory/Lap Time/Tape Remaining (DISPLAY) Button Used to display the battery charge status, tape counter, lap time counter, remaining tape time and to clear these displays from the EVF.
- (5) **Reset Button** Resets the Tape or Lap Time Counter.
- (16) Self Timer/Time Lapse Switch Selects a time delay before recording or selects a time lapse recording. See page 24 for details.

*Refer to Page 17 for details.

Description of Controls (continued)

Rear View



(1) Strap Attachment Rings

2 Cassette Compartment

Underside View

③ Synchro Edit/Remote Jack Connect this mini jack to the synchro edit jack on another VCR or Camcorder with a mini-plug cable in order to use the synchronized editing feature. Also used to connect the wired remote control.

4 Earphone Jack

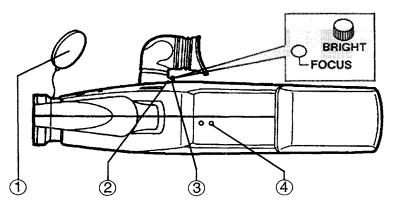
An earphone (not supplied) plugs in here to monitor the sound being recorded or played back.

(5) Adaptor Connector

6 External Microphone Jack

To connect an external microphone. The built-in microphone is automatically disconnected when an external microphone is plugged in.

7 Built-In Microphone



1 Lens Cap

Can be attached to the front of the hand grip with the built-in clip.

2 Focus Control

This control adjusts the focus of the image on the electronic viewfinder screen. **Note:**

 This control has been set at the factory. It is not necessary to adjust this control under normal circumstances. But, should it become necessary, be careful to make the focus adjustment with a small, slender screwdriver so as not to damage the miniature control.

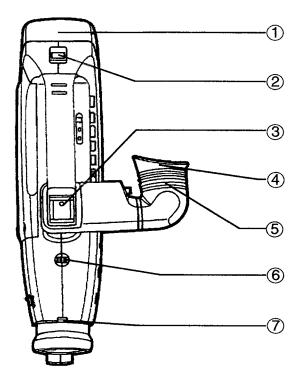
(3) Brightness Control

This control adjusts the brightness of the electronic viewfinder picture. If the picture is too dark or too bright, adjust this control to accommodate the brightness of the EVF to the surrounding light conditions.

④ Tripod Mounting Hole

Description of Controls (continued)

Top View



(1) Battery Compartment Insert a battery pack to use as the power supply.

2 Battery Door Button

To open the Battery Door for access of the battery.

- Accessory Mount A convenient mounting for an optional light.
- 4 Electronic Viewfinder(EVF)
- Vision Adjustment Ring
 Adjust the EVF image ring to your eyesight to
 assure good focus.
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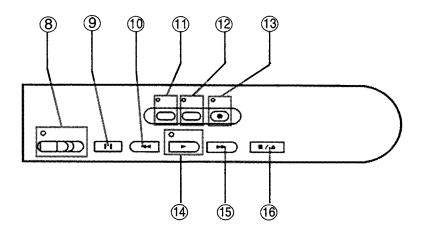
or after another person has used your Camcorder.

6 Lens Focus Dial

Rotate this dial to focus the picture manually.

7 Tally Light

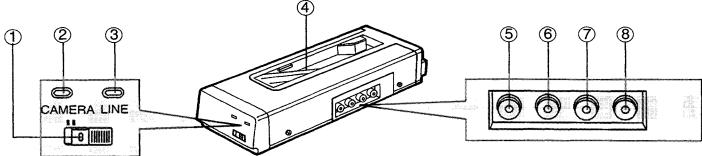
The red Tally Light alerts those being recorded that a recording is in progress.



- 8 Power Switch and Indicator
- Pause/Still Button Use this button to pause in Play or VCR Recording mode.
- 10 Rewind/Search Button
- Audio Dub Button and Indicator Use this button when performing an audio dubbing with the Camcorder. (See page 29.)
- Video Dub Button and Indicator Use this button when performing a video dubbing with the Camcorder. (See page 27.)
- Record Button and Indicator
 Use to record from a TV tuner or another VCR through the video and audio input terminals located on the AC Adaptor.
 Press the Record and Play buttons simultaneously on your Camcorder.
 See page 26 for details.
- (1) Play Button and Indicator
- (5) Fast Forward/Search Button (See page 17.)
- (16) Stop/Eject Button Use this button to stop the tape and press again to remove a cassette in the stop mode.

Description of Controls (continued)

AC Adaptor



 Input Signal Selector Select video and audio input to the Camcorder.

Input Signal Selector (on AC Adaptor) VCR/Camera Switch (on Camcorder)	Line Position	Camera Position	
VCR	Video: Line Input	Video: Not Recorded	(
	Audio: Line Input	Audio: Camcorder microphone	
	Video: Camera Lens	Video: Camera lens	(
Camera	Audio: Camera microphone	Audio: Camera microphone	

2 Power Indicator Lamp

This indicator lights up when the AC power plug of the AC adaptor is connected to an AC outlet.

③ Charging Indicator Lamp

Lights while the Battery Pack is charging. After charging, this light will go off.

- ④ Battery Charging Compartment For charging a Battery Pack.
- 5 Video Output Connector For connection to a video input connector on a TV Monitor or VCR.

6 Audio Output Connector

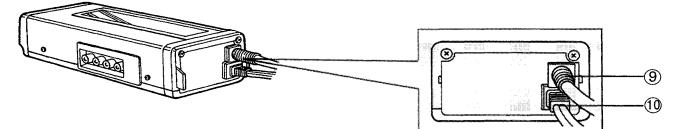
For connection to an audio input connector on a TV Monitor, VCR or an audio tape recorder.

⑦ Video Input Connector

For connection from a video output connector on another VCR, or TV, to record a TV program.

8 Audio Input Connector

For connection from an audio output connector on another VCR, TV, or other audio source.



9 Adaptor Cable

Connect this cable to the side of the Camcorder.

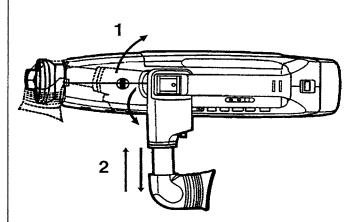
10 AC Power Cord

- CAUTION:

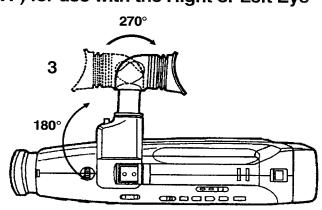
Operating at a voltage setting of 110/120/220/240V AC may require the use of a different AC plug. Please contact either a local or foreign electrical parts distributor for assistance in selecting an alternate AC plug. We recommend using the accessory power plug adaptor (VJSS0070) in an area which has special AC outlets.

Adjustments for Easy Handling

- How to Adjust the Electronic Viewfinder (EVF) for use with the Right or Left Eye -



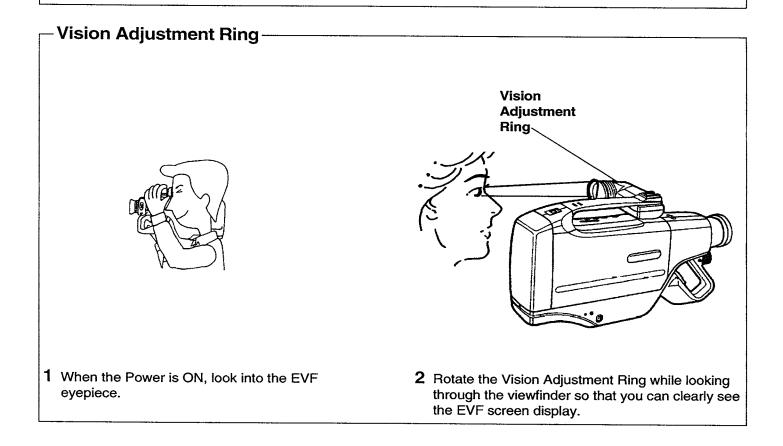
- 1 Swing the EVF to the left or right for comfortable viewing with either eye.
- 2 In the locked position you may extend or retract the EVF for comfortable left or right eye viewing.
- **3** The eyepiece can be rotated up or down (to about 270 degrees) to adjust for height.



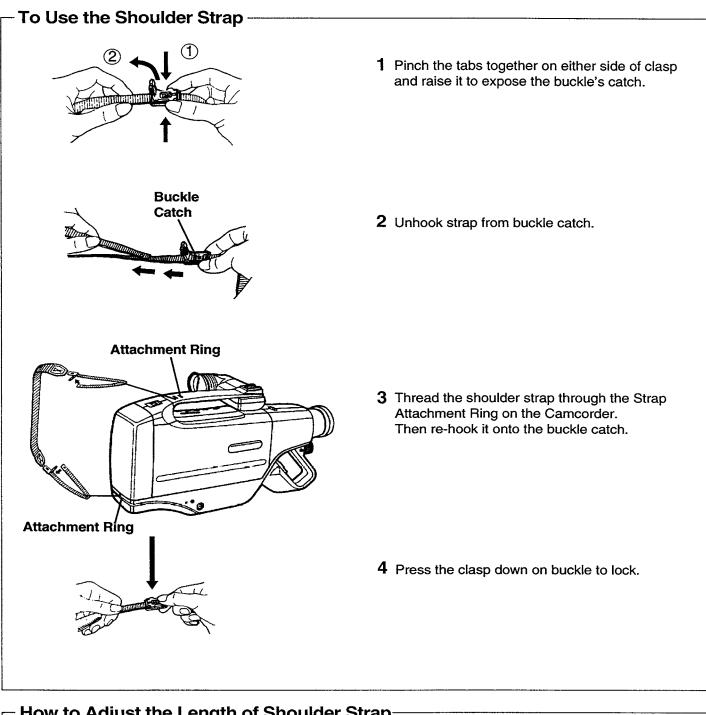
• Be sure to swing the EVF completely to position 2 or 3 as shown above to obtain the proper picture in the EVF.

To Store

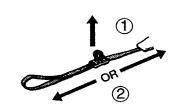
Return the EVF to position 1 as shown above.



Adjustments for Easy Handling (continued)



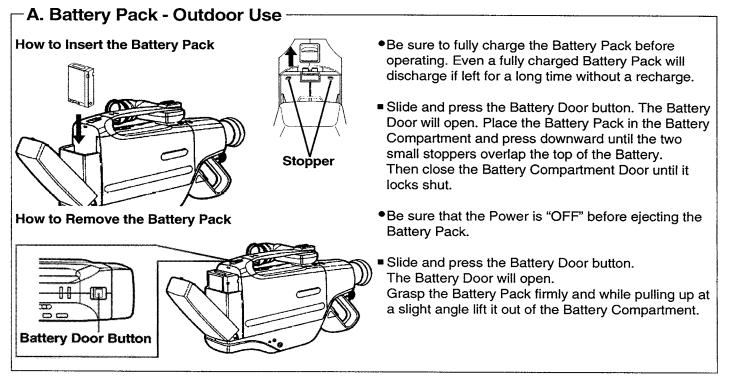
How to Adjust the Length of Shoulder Strap

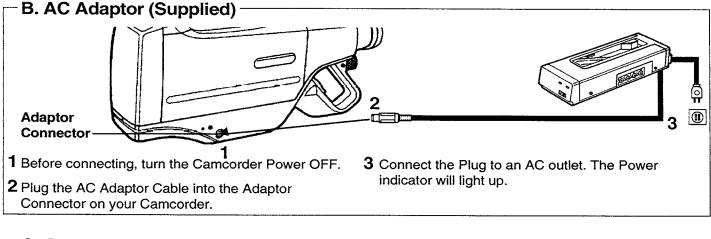


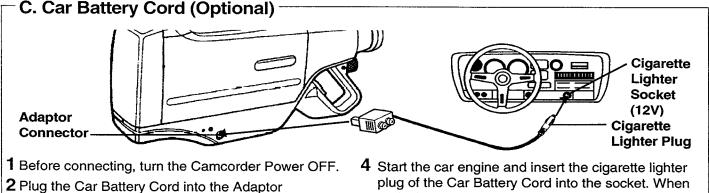
Pull a loop of the strap loose from its buckle, and then pull the strap firmly through the buckle to adjust its length.

Preparations

Power Supplies



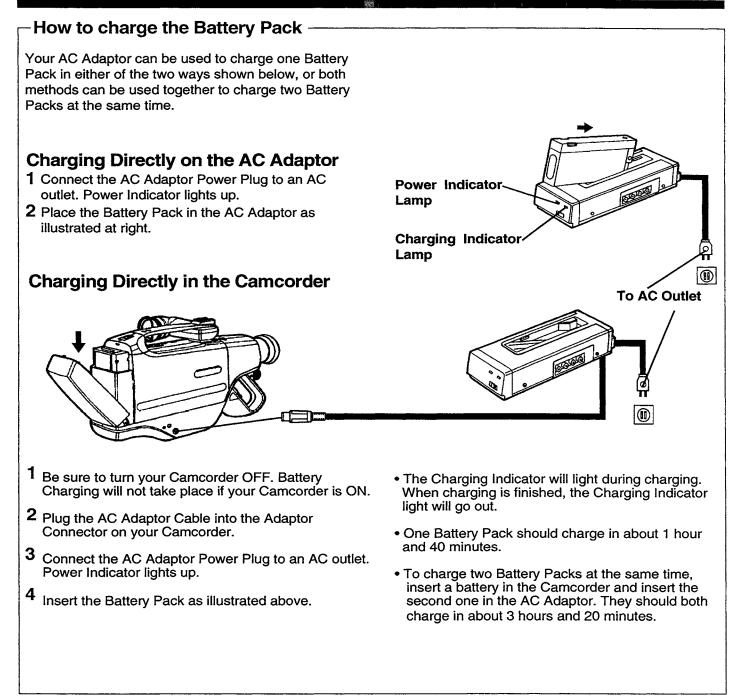




- Connector on your Camcorder.
- 3 Take the lighter out of its socket.

replacing the fuse in the plug, use one with the exact current rating (Amps).

Preparations (continued)



- A Word about Cassettes

A. Types of Video Cassettes

Tape Speed	Maximum Record/Playback Time		
SP(Standard Play)	T160	T120	T60
	2 Hours 40 Minutes	2 Hours	1 Hour

Use tapes with the **VHS** mark in this unit.

B. Erase Protection

Cassettes have a record tab to ensure that recordings are not accidentally erased.

• To prevent accidental erasure



- Break off the tab with a screwdriver

• To record again



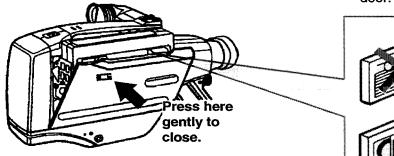
Cover the hole with cellophane tape

To Insert or Remove a Cassette -

The Camcorder may be ON or OFF when you insert or remove a cassette.

Stop/Eject button

Press the Stop/Eject button to open the door.



Note:

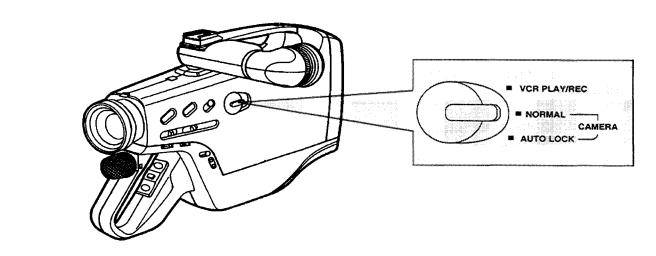
• If the EVF is positioned for left eye use, be sure it is fully extended before ejecting or loading a tape.

Video Cassettes can only be inserted with the window side of cassette facing the cassette door, and the arrow pointing down. Do not attempt to insert a cassette which is upside down or backwards.

-Auto Lock Mode

When the VCR/CAMERA Selector switch is set to the CAMERA/AUTO LOCK position, the white balance and focus are automatically adjusted while the more advanced features listed below are locked. Auto Lock

is especially helpful for the first time Camcorder user and ensures easier operation under most recording conditions.

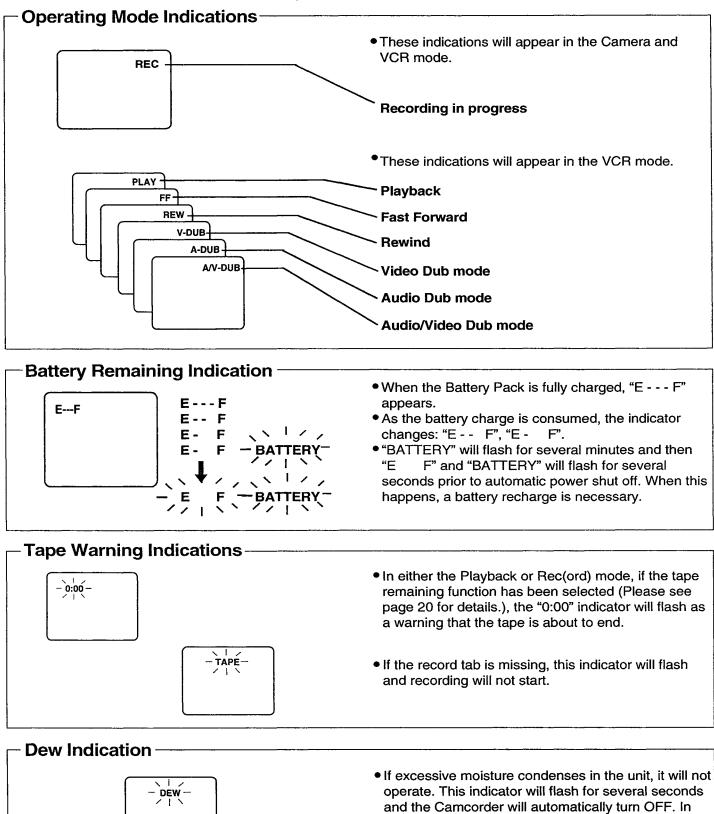


CAMERA	MODE
NORMAL	AUTO LOCK
AUTO OR MANUAL	Αυτο
FUNCTIONAL	NON FUNCTIONAL
FUNCTIONAL	NON FUNCTIONAL
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Note:

If you select the self timer or time lapse recording feature and then set the VCR/Camera Selector switch to the AUTO LOCK position, the feature will continue to operate until the end of your recording.

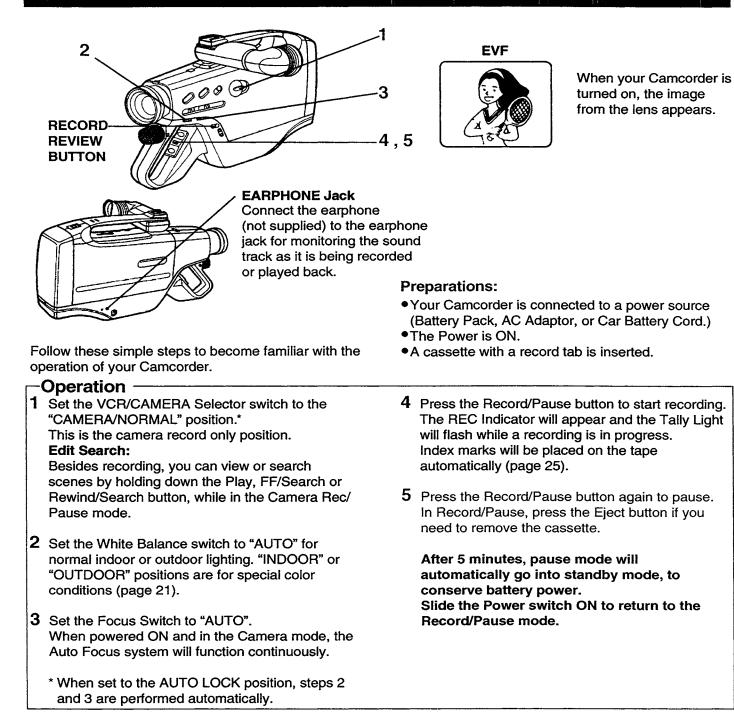
Electronic Viewfinder (EVF) Indications These indications will not be recorded on the tape.



this case, wait until the indicator no longer flashes

when your Camcorder is turned on again.

Camera Recording



- Automatic Easy Edit Standby -

If you stop recording, but plan to resume within 24 hours, you can leave the cassette in the Camcorder. Simply shut the Camcorder off at the Camcorder's Power switch after your recording has been completed. This allows the Easy Edit feature to make a smooth transition between one scene and the next. After 24 hours, the tape will retract into the cassette, making automatic editing impossible. For manual editing, see page 25 under "EASY EDITING".

-Record Review ---

Press the Record Review button in the Record/ Pause mode.

When you press this button, the last few seconds of your recording will play back on the viewfinder or monitor screen for review. Then you can start your recording from the Record/Pause mode in synchronization with the last segment recorded.

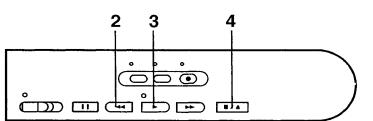
Playback

You can play back your Camcorder recordings immediately on the viewfinder by following the steps given below.

You may also play back your Camcorder recordings directly to a monitor or TV.

- Operation

- 1 Set the VCR/Camera Selector Switch to the "VCR PLAY/REC" position.
- 2 Press the Rewind button to rewind the tape to the desired location.

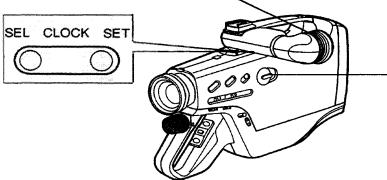


Preparations:

- Connect the Camcorder to a power source (Battery Pack, AC Adaptor, or Car Battery Cord).
- Turn the Power ON.
- Insert a cassette.

3 Press the Play button to view the recorded picture.

4 Press the Stop button when playback is finished.



Auto Tracking

With Auto Tracking there is usually no need for manual adjustments to minimize noise in playback for most tapes. Auto Tracking continuously analyzes the signal to adjust for optimum picture quality for each recording.

However, with some recordings you may get a better result using Manual Tracking.





-Tracking Control-

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Press the Set or Select button which is usually used for the Date/Time setting. Manual Tracking adjustment is intended for use during playback to minimize noise in the picture.

- Auto Playback -

When the Camcorder is in the VCR mode and a tape without a record safety tab is inserted, the Camcorder will begin to play automatically.

Special Effects in Playback Mode (Sound is Muted)

To Rapidly Locate A Particular Segment

- Press either Search buttons.
- A rapid forward or reverse picture search will continue.

Press the Search button or Play button to resume normal speed.

Search Speed

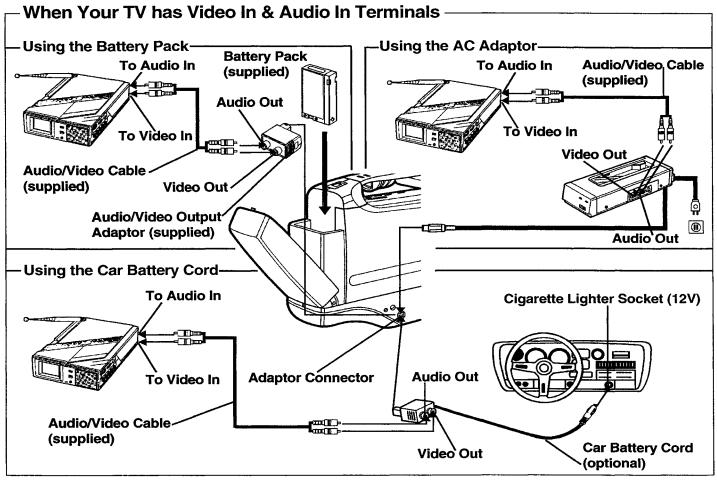
Standard Play (SP) Search is about 3 times normal speed.

To View A Still Picture

- Press the Pause/Still button. A freeze frame picture from the current playback appears.
- Press the button once more. This releases the still and playback continues.

To Monitor Your Recording

Your Camcorder may be connected to a TV to play back tapes or to monitor what you are recording. Follow the illustration below for hook-up.



- To Monitor

- Connect the AC Adaptor to an AC Outlet.
 When you use the supplied Audio/Video Output Adaptor instead of the AC Adaptor, be sure to insert a Battery Pack.
- 2 Turn your Camcorder and TV ON.

-Date/Time Display

To Display the Date and Time

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Your Camcorder is equipped with an automatic date function which operates by a built-in lithium battery. It calculates the date and time, including leap year, up to Dec. 31, 2086 even when the Camcorder is off. Before setting the date and time it is necessary to charge the lithium battery for 48 hours.

RESET

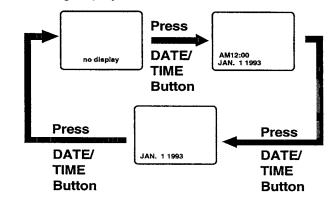
COUNTER

DISPLAY

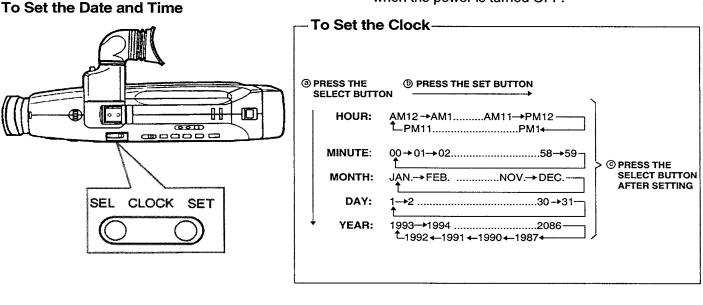
Date/Time Button

To do this simply insert the Battery Pack or attach the AC Adaptor. This will automatically charge the battery. Through normal use the battery will stay charged. If after initial charging the Camcorder is not used, the automatic date function will continue for about a year.

Turn your Camcorder ON and look into the EVF. Pressing the Date/Time button will provide the following displays in order.



The selected Date and Time mode will be saved when the power is turned OFF.



1 Press the Date/Time button in CAMERA Record/ Pause mode or Stop mode.

"AM 12:00 JAN. 1 1993" appears. Whenever "AM 12:00 JAN. 1 1993" appears, it indicates that the clock needs adjustment.

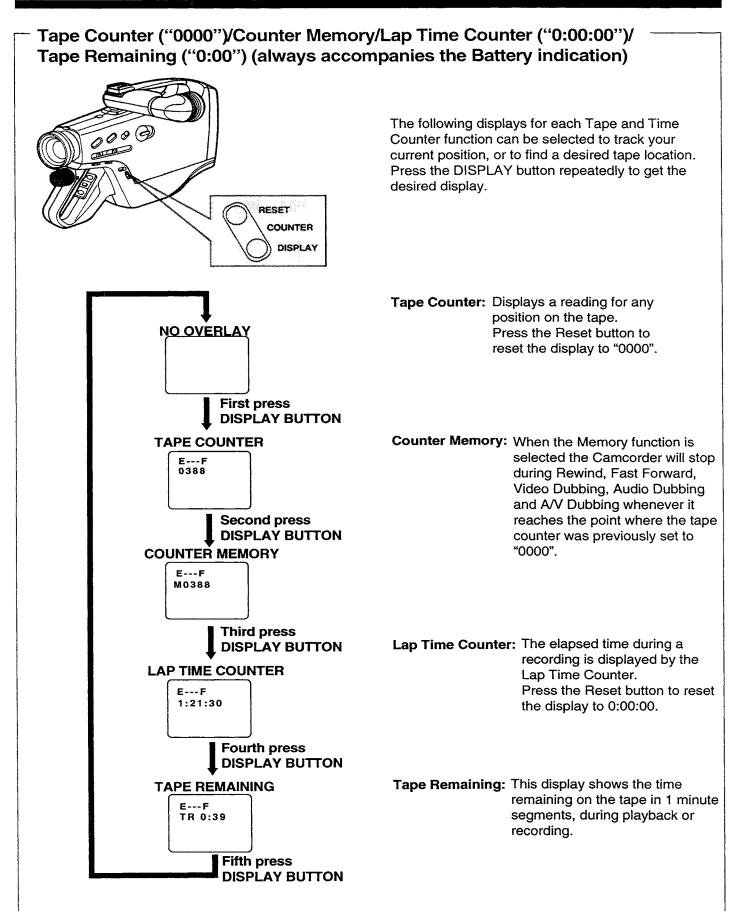
2 Press the Select button.

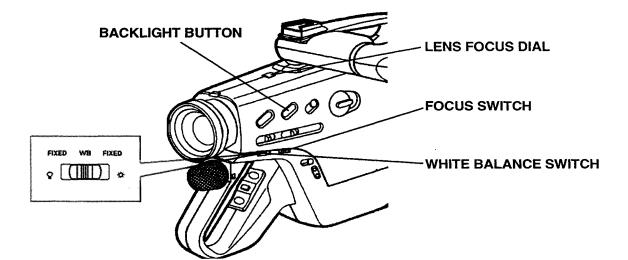
The first portion of the Date and Time display will flash.

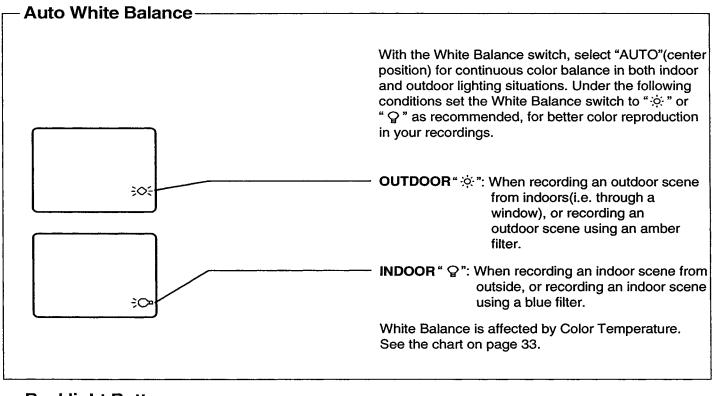
- **3** Press the Set button until the desired number(s) appear in the space you selected. Then press the Select button to fix that portion of the date and time.
- **4** Press the Select button again. This locks in all the settings you have made.

Note:

• If the Set button is held down, the numbers will advance rapidly.





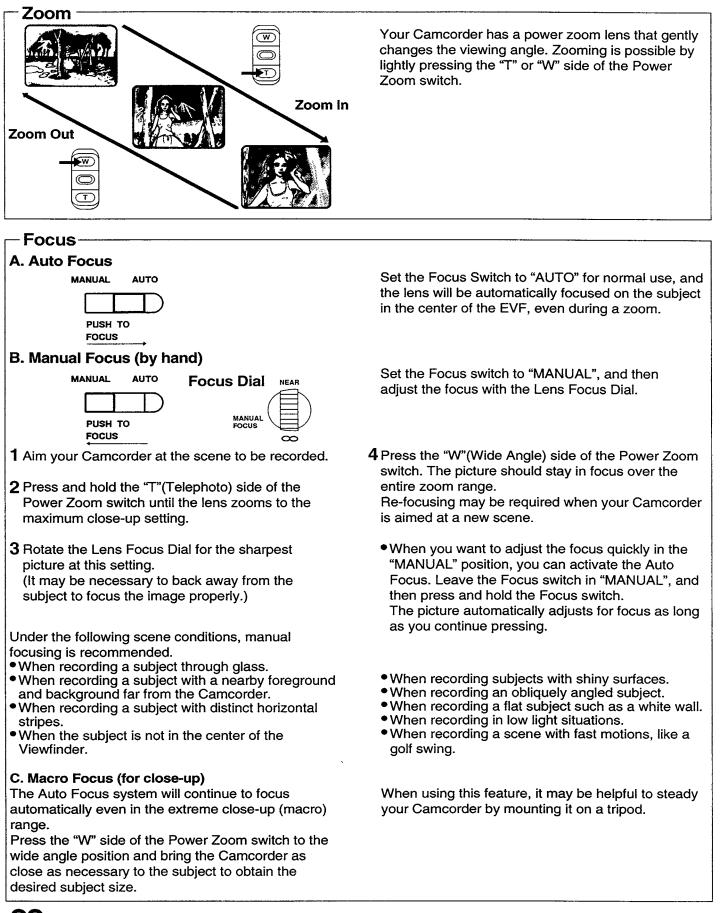


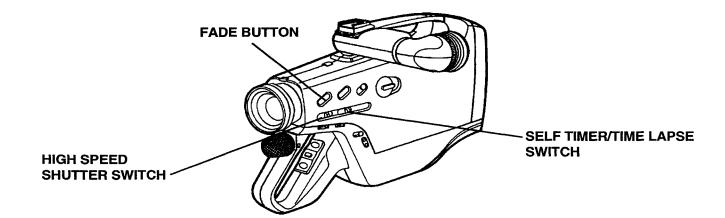
Backlight Button



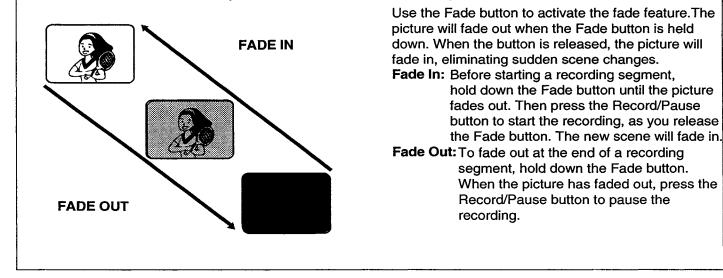
This button should be used when the subject is darker than the surrounding scene. You will find this backlight adjustment useful for recording a subject in a shadowed area or in front of strong backlight. Press the Backlight button while recording a high contrast scene, then release it when the lighting

condition changes.





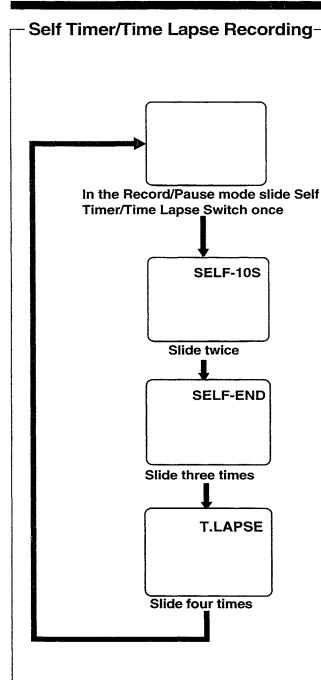
-Fade In/Out - Video only; Audio Is Not Affected By Fade Control



High Speed Shutter—

	image of high speed motion with the VHS Camcorder for fine point replay in still or slow mode, when
1/125	watching the tape on a Panasonic TECH 3 or TECH 4 VCR (3 or 4 head VCR).
1/250	Slide the switch to the right to activate while recording.
1/500	Slide repeatedly to obtain one of seven speeds 1/125th, 1/250th, 1/500th, 1/1000th, 1/2000th,
1/1000	1/4000th or 1/10000th. A still or slow motion playback will then depict images
1/2000	without trails or blurs (eg. like a tennis stroke).
1/4000	Note: The High Speed Shutter indicator flashes when the
1/10000	light level is inadequate. More light should be provided to achieve better picture quality and color. See page 32 for more information.
	1/250 1/500 1/1000 1/2000 1/4000

This switch may be used to record a clear, sharp



Note:

This camera is not designed for industrial use of the Time Lapse Feature. Please keep the following points in mind.

• Avoid using the unit solely for Time Lapse recording. A ten hour duration of Time Lapse recording will record 10 minutes of the Time Lapse special effect.

After this period, the unit will automatically turn itself off.

The Self Timer/Time Lapse switch slides to the right to select one of three recording overlays. Pressing the Record/Pause button activates the selected mode. When recording stops, the Camcorder will return to the Record/Pause mode.

Self Timer Recording

Select "Self-10S"

Indicates that a 10 second recording will begin 10 seconds after you press the Record/Pause button. Press the Record/Pause button again to cancel the recording in progress.

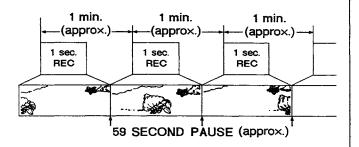
 Select "Self-End" Indicates that a continuous recording to the end of the tape will begin 10 seconds after you press the Record/Pause button. Press the Record/Pause button again to cancel the recording in progress.

Time Lapse Recording

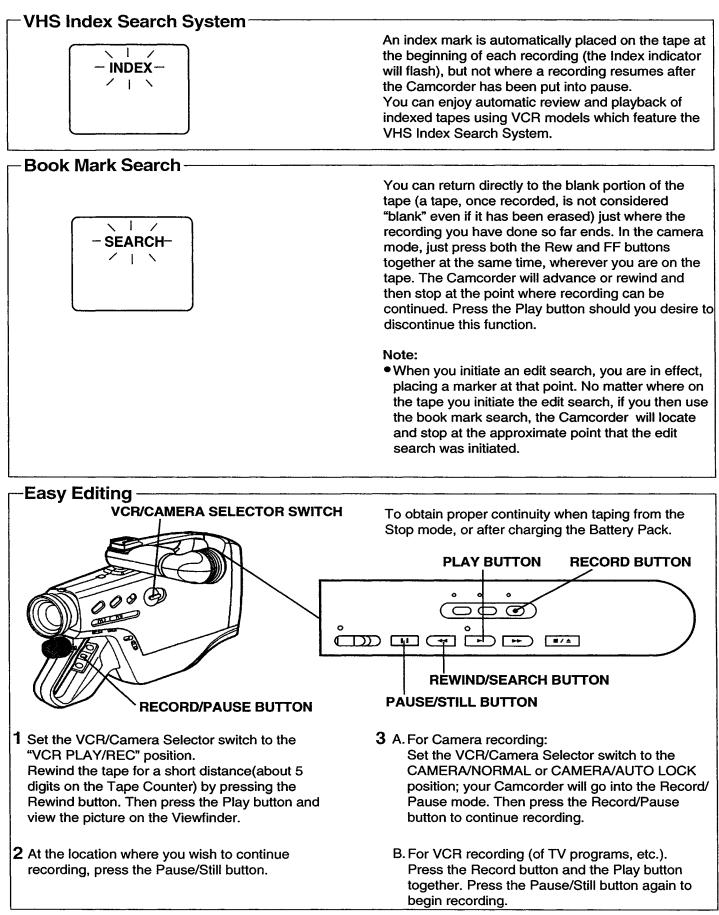
Select "T.LAPSE"

Press the Record/Pause button.

Your Camcorder will start to record at once. A one second frame of the scene will be recorded each minute. As shown in the diagram below, your recording will have continuous Time Lapse images of the scene. Press the Record/Pause button again to cancel the recording in progress.



- The battery pack is not designed for continuous Time Lapse use. For extended periods of time lapse recording it is recommended that an alternate power source be used.
- The Self Timer/Time Lapse switch has no effect if pressed during normal recording.



To Record a TV Program

Your Camcorder enables you to record a TV program through the AC Adaptor from a tuner source unit. Connect the AC Adaptor with the Audio/Video Cable to one of these tuner sources: 1) a TV which has Video Out and Audio Out Terminals, 2) the optional Tuner Adaptor, 3) another VCR.

-Operation-

- 1 Set the VCR/Camera Selector Switch to the "VCR/ PLAY/REC" position.
- 2 Turn the source unit on; select the channel to be recorded.

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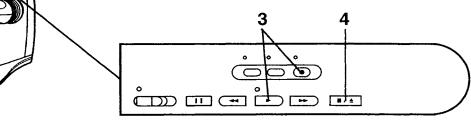
The selected channel will appear on the TV and in the EVF of your Camcorder.

Preparations:

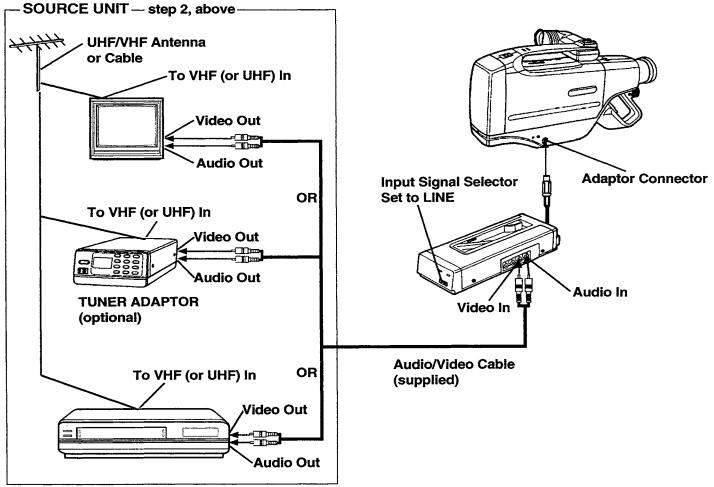
- Connect your Camcorder to the AC Adaptor.
- Turn the Power ON.
- Insert a cassette with a Record Tab.
- Slide the Input Signal Selector on the AC Adaptor to "LINE".
- **3** Press the Record button and Play button together on your Camcorder.

During recording, be sure the source unit power is on.

Press the Stop button.This ends the recording session.Use the Pause/Still button to pause recording.



Connections



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Video Dubbing

Your Camcorder uses advanced Flying Erase Head technology to produce exceptionally clean edits. When performing a Video Dub, you can replace existing video segments with new ones (the original audio segments will remain). Use two Camcorders, or use a VCR for the source and your Camcorder for the editing unit, as described below.

•Set up and connect the Camcorder (or VCR) as illustrated on the next page. (Be sure to connect the AC Power Plug of the AC Adaptor to an AC outlet).

- Operation

- 1 Set the VCR/Camera Selector Switch to the "VCR PLAY/REC" position on the Recording Camcorder.
- Press the Play button on the Recording Camcorder to locate the starting point for dubbing. Press the Pause/Still button where you want dubbing to begin. To use the Memory-Stop feature for Editing, see step 5.
- **3** Press the Video Dub button on the Recording Camcorder only. This puts the Camcorder in the Video Dub Pause mode.
- 4 If Neither Unit Has a Synchro Edit Jack Release the Pause buttons on both units simultaneously. This may require some practice beforehand.

Preparations:

• Press Power ON on both units.

At the Source VCR (or Camcorder):

• Insert the master cassette to be played. Put the source VCR (or Camcorder) in Play/Pause mode at the desired starting point.

At the Recording Camcorder:

- Insert a cassette (with tab) to be recorded. Set the AC Adaptor Input Signal Selector to "LINE".
- Turn the TV ON, and select CH 3 or 4, to monitor the dubbing, if desired.

4 Using the Synchro Edit Feature

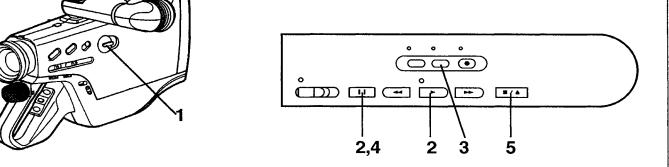
On the Recording Unit, press Pause to begin video dubbing (both units begin operation). Press Pause on the Recording Unit at the end of the recorded sequence (both units go into Pause). For the use of the Synchro Edit Feature refer to page 30.

5 Press the Stop button on both units to stop Video Dubbing.

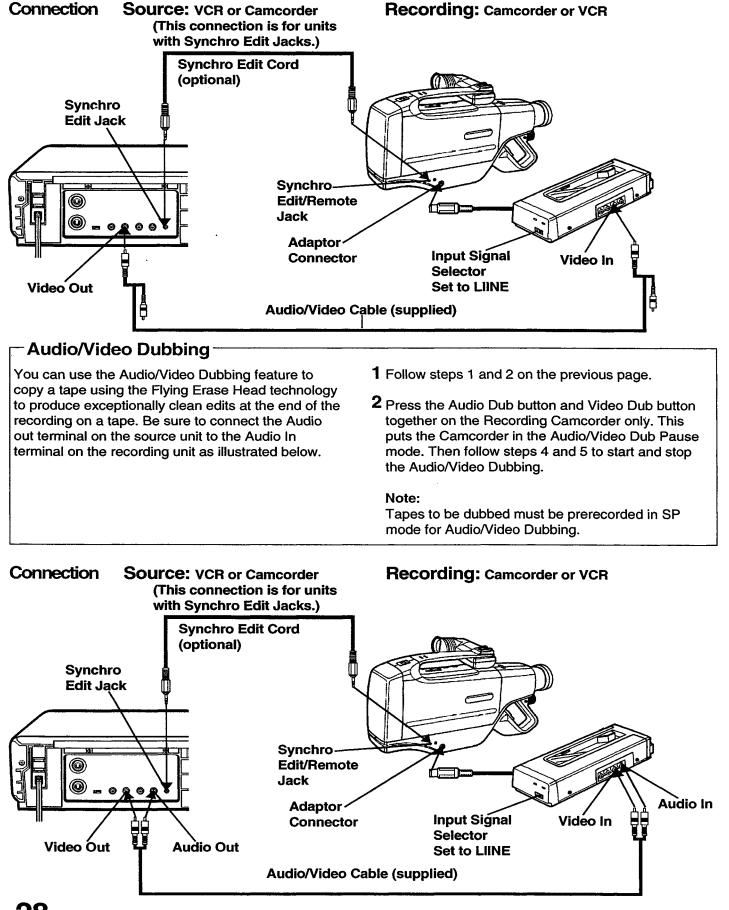
* Memory-Stop Editing:

Use the Display/Memory/Lap Time/Tape Remaining button to automatically stop Editing with the following preparations.

- (a) In step 2 on the Recording unit tape, locate the end of portion to be edited, then press the Memory Button and reset the tape counter to 0000.
- (b) Rewind to the editing start point, and continue steps 2-4.
- (c) The Recording Camcorder tape will stop when it reaches "0000".



Video Dubbing (continued)



Audio Dubbing

Your own soundtrack may be substituted onto a tape which is recorded in SP mode using a microphone, tape recorder, or your own component audio system.

Set up and connect the Camcorder and the other audio equipment as illustrated.
(Be sure to connect the AC Power Plug of the AC Adaptor to an AC Outlet.)

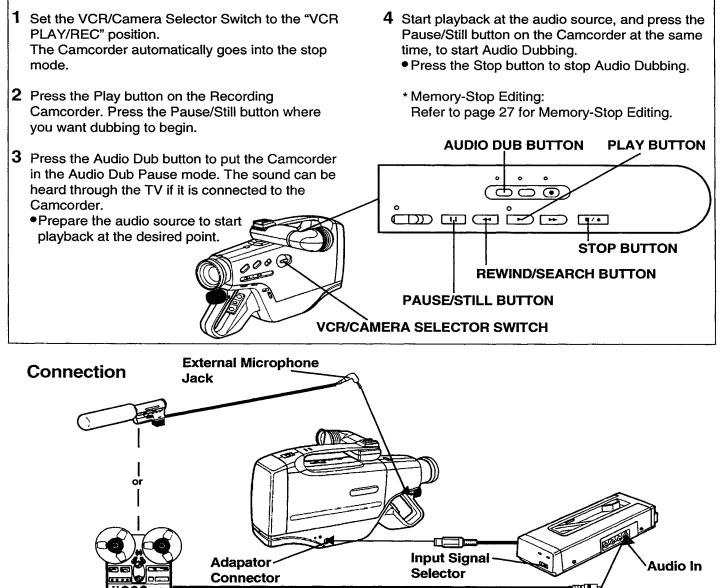
Preparations:

- Turn ON the Camcorder.
- At the Recording Camcorder:
- Insert a cassette (with tab) to be recorded.
- Set the AC Adaptor Input Signal Selector to the desired position: Select

CAMERA: The sound from the microphone will be recorded.

LINE: The sound from whatever source is connected to the AC Adaptor, through the Audio Input Connector will be recorded.

- Operation



Note:

- A rolling white pattern may appear if you have made a Display/Memory/Lap Time/Tape Remaining button selection without a video input to the unit. (See page 32.)
- When a microphone is used for dubbing, do not place it near the speaker of your TV while dubbing is being done. A howling noise (feedback) may occur.

Re-Recording (Video/Audio Dubbing)

With only the Pause button on the recording unit, you can control two Camcorders or a Camcorder and a VCR when you use their Synchro Edit jacks to copy a tape. The Synchro Edit feature starts and stops both the source and recording units together with the press of one button.

•Set up and connect the units as illustrated. (Be sure to connect the AC adaptor to an AC Outlet.)

If Both Units have Synchro Edit Jacks

- Operation -

On the Source Unit

- 1 Insert the master tape into the unit.
- 2 Press play to review the tape. Press Pause/Still where you want to start the playback of the master recording to copy it. The source unit is now in Play/Pause.

On the Recording Unit

- 3 Insert the blank tape (or one you want to record over) into the unit.
- Press Play to review the tape.
 Press Pause/Still where you want the recording to begin to make the copy of the master tape. The recording unit is now in Play/Pause.
- 5 Press the Play and Rec buttons together. The unit is now in Record/Pause.

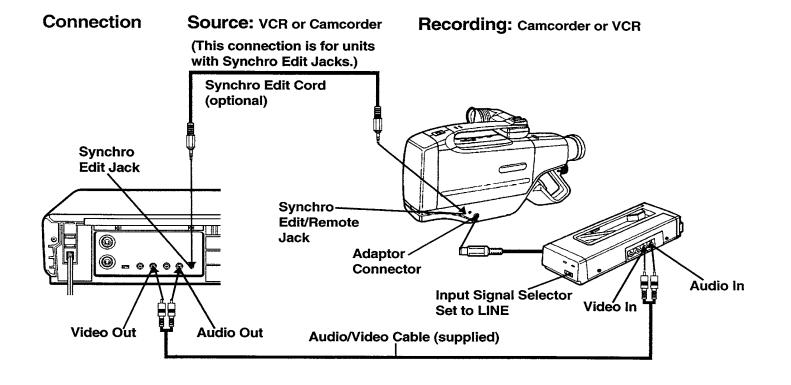
Preparations:

- •Turn ON both units.
- •Set the AC Adaptor Input Signal Selector on the Recording Camcorder to "LINE". (Or set the recording VCR's Input Signal Selector to "LINE".)
- Set the VCR/Camera Selector switch on the Camcorder to the "VCR PLAY/REC" position.

To Synchro Edit

The Synchro Edit feature simultaneously releases the Pause mode on both units, so playback and recording begin at the same time.

- 6 On the recording unit, press Pause to begin the re-recording (both units begin operation).
- 7 Press Pause at the end of the recorded sequence (the source unit goes into Play/Pause).
- 8 Press the Stop button on both units to stop dubbing after completion.



If Either Unit Does Not Have A Synchro Edit Jack

• Set up and connect the units as illustrated. (Be sure to connect the AC Adaptor to an AC Outlet).

Preparations:

- Turn ON both units.
- Set the recording VCR's Input Signal Selector to "LINE".

(Or set the AC Adaptor Input Signal Selector on the Recording Camcorder to "LINE".)

 Set the VCR/Camera Selector switch on the Camcorder to the "VCR PLAY/REC" position.

- Operation -

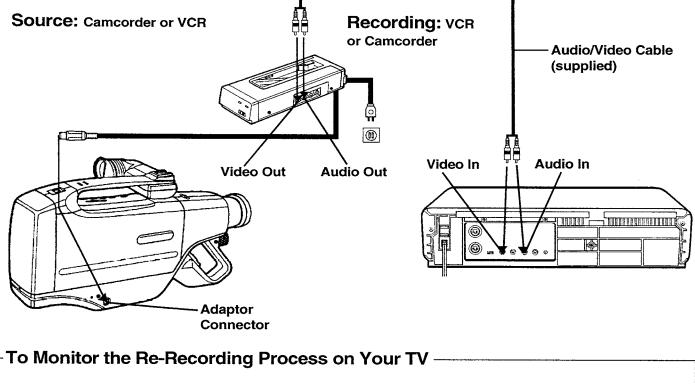
1 Insert a pre-recorded tape into the source unit.

- 2 Insert a blank tape, or one you want to record over into the recording unit.
- **3** Press the Play button on the source unit. AND

The Record and Play buttons on the recording unit all at the same time.

• To finish dubbing, press the Stop button on both units.

Connection



• Turn TV ON and select its VCR channel (either CH3 or CH4).

CAUTION:-

Unauthorized exchanging and/or copying of copyrighted recordings may be copyright infringement.

• Set the VCR/TV Selector on the recording VCR to "VCR".

Notes on Operations

Battery Pack (P.11)

- Store the Battery Pack in a cool, dry, dark place.
- Do not drop it or subject it to strong jolts.
- Always charge the Battery Pack soon after full use. Discharging for a long time may make its life shorter and recharging impossible.
- Be careful not to put the Battery Pack near fire because this may cause a short-circuit.
- Batteries should never be disposed of in fire.
- Do not use any other chargers than specified.
- Do not use the Battery Pack for appliances other than specified.
- Do not use it below 32°F (0°C) or above 104°F (40°C).
- Do not use an insufficiently charged or worn out Battery Pack.

Car Battery Cord (P.11)

- Be sure to start the car engine before inserting the cigarette lighter plug of the Car Battery Cord into the cigarette lighter socket, otherwise, the cigarette lighter plug fuse may burn out when you start the engine.
- The car engine should be running while your Camcorder is in operation. Make sure your car is in an open, well ventilated area.
- Disconnect the cigarette lighter plug when your Camcorder is not being used.

Charging the Battery Pack (P.12)

- The useful operation time of the Battery will gradually decrease after repeated use and recharging. The Battery is no longer serviceable if the operation time is too short even after a sufficient charge.
- To preserve the life of your Battery, please be sure to remove the Battery Pack from the Camcorder for storage after every use, storing it fully recharged. When recharging, should the charging indicator on the AC Adaptor go out in a short time and the Battery cannot be fully charged, please leave the Battery on the AC Adaptor for approx. 24 hours even after the charging indicator goes off. Use this battery in the Camcorder, then repeat this procedure one more time. This procedure should restore the Battery to normal operation.

Special Effects Playback (P.17)

- During search playback, horizontal noise bars will appear and there will be no audio.
- To protect the tape and Video Heads, your Camcorder's operating modes will automatically revert as follows:
 - STILL ----- STOP after 5 minutes.
- STOP POWER OFF after 5 minutes when using a Battery Pack.
- When the tape reaches its end during playback, or fast forward, the tape will rewind automatically.

Tape Remaining (P.20)

- The lap time counter only functions in the REC mode.
- The remaining tape indicator "0:00" will continue flashing during the last 5 minutes as a final warning that the tape is about to end.
- The remaining tape time is being calculated when the indicator "-:--" flashes (up to 30 seconds) in the EVF.

High Speed Shutter (P.23)

- For proper color reproduction it is recommended that you use this feature outdoors. For indoor High Speed Shutter recording, additional halogen or tungsten light should be provided. Fluorescent light will degrade the picture quality.
- For effective operation, this feature requires ample light. More light is required for the fastest shutter speed.
- The Auto Focus system may not operate properly under insufficient light when you are using the High Speed Shutter.

To Record a TV Program (P.26)

- To pause recording, press the PAUSE/STILL Button. Press the PAUSE/STILL Button again to return to recording within 5 minutes. After 5 minutes, Pause mode will automatically go into Stop mode.
- When you place the VCR/CAMERA Selector Switch to the "VCR PLAY/REC" position, a rolling white pattern may appear if the Tape Counter, Time Counter and Battery Display have not been cleared while in VCR mode with the AC Adaptor in "LINE" and the VIDEO IN Terminal disconnected.

Re-Recording (P.30)

- Source tapes recorded on other VCRs must be pre-recorded in SP mode for Camcorder playback.
- For technical reasons, dubbing a tape may reduce its quality.

CCD Warning

When your Camcorder is aimed at a scene which contains an excessively bright object such as the sun or other bright lighting, a vertical bar may appear in the picture. This is a characteristic of the CCD pickup device and is normal when using your Camcorder. Try to avoid aiming the camera directly at extremely bright objects.

CATV System Installer

This reminder is provided to call the CATV system installer's attention to Article 820-40 of the NEC in USA (and to the Canadian Electrical code in Canada) that provides guidelines for proper grounding and, in particular, specifies that the cable ground shall be connected to the grounding system of the building, as close to the point of cable entry as practical.

Notes on Operations (continued)

-Rough Values of Brightness -

Your Camcorder has been designed for normal scene illumination of 150 footcandles (1500 lux). However, the Camcorder may be used at F1.6,

if illumination is more than 0.1 footcandles (1 lux). The table below shows the approximate values of brightness for reference.

CAMCORDER SETTINGS	NATURAL LIGHT CONDITIONS	KELVIN COLOR TEMPERATURE	ARTIFICIAL LIGHT SOURCE	COLOR TINT MIXTURE
(Amber Filter Range)	•Fair weather, blue sky	- 10,000	 Color television 	Bluish
	 Slightly cloudy sky 	- 8,000		
	 Cloudy or rainy sky 	7,000		
		- 6,500	•Fluorescent lamp (Daylight)	
	•Sunlight in clear weather at midday	- 6,000	•Camera flash bulb	
"OUTDOOR"		- 5,500		
	•Average sunlight in clear weather		•Blue lamp for photography	
"ÁUTO"		1		
	•Sunlight 2 hours after sunrise and	.,	 Fluorescent lamp (White) 	Whitish
	before sunset	- 4,000	•Normal flash bulb	
		- 3,500	•Fluorescent lamp (Off-white)	
"!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!			•Tungsten lamp for photography	
INDOOR"	•Sunlight 40 min. after sunrise and	- 3,200		
	before sunset		•Halogen lamp	
			•lodine lamp	
(Blue Filter	•Sunlight 30 min. after sunrise and	- 2,800		
Range)	before sunset		•Tungsten lamp	Yellowish
	•Sunlight 20 min. after sunrise and	1	•Acetylene lamp	
	before sunset		•Kerosene lamp	
		- 2,000	•Candlelight	Reddish

- Special Effects Photography -

You can fit the Camcorder with any compensator, or "special effects" photographic lens or filter, that is 49 mm in diameter.

Wide Angle Lens

Expands the Camcorder's field of view to permit wide panoramas without panning.

Telephoto Lens

Increases the Camcorder's magnification throughout its zoom range.

Refer to the "Optional Accessory" section on the back cover for an illustration of the accessories below.

Filter Kit

Helps you create professional special effects with star, clear, neutral density and polarizing filters.

Note:

Use a recommended Panasonic PV-LW49IQ wide conversion lens only.

Before Requesting Service

If you have a problem with your Camcorder, it may be a minor one that you can correct yourself. Use the chart below in case your problem is listed, and then follow the recommendations.

Troubles	Corrections
No power	 Make sure the Power Source is connected. (P.11) Make sure the POWER Switch is ON. (P.16) Check the Dew Indicator. (P.15) Make sure the battery is fully charged. (P.12) Make sure all necessary cables are connected correctly and firmly.(P.18) Make sure the Lens Cap is OFF. (P.6)
Video cassette can't be inserted	 Make sure the Power Source is connected. (P.11) Insert the cassette with the window side facing out and the record tab facing up. (P.13)
Video cassette can't be removed	 Make sure the Power Source is connected. (P.11)
No operation starts when operation buttons are pressed	• Check the Dew Indicator. (P.15)
Recording does not operate	 Make sure the record tab is still intact. (P.13) Check the Battery Indicator. (P.15) Check the Dew Indicator. (P.15)
Auto Focus does not operate	 Make sure the Focus Switch is set to "AUTO". (P.22) Make sure the unit is ON, with the VCR/CAMERA Selector switch set to either "CAMERA" position. (P.16)
Some camera operation buttons (such as Backlight, Fade, etc.) do not operate when pressed	 Make sure the VCR/CAMERA Selector switch is set to the CAMERA NORMAL position. (P.14)
The sound from microphone can't be monitored	 Make sure the unit is set to REC or Record/Pause mode.
Camera picture is too dark	 Make sure the High Speed Shutter switch is OFF or place the unit in the CAMERA/AUTO LOCK position. (P.23)
No playback picture, or the playback picture is noisy or contains streaks	 Press the Set or Select button (Tracking Control). (P.17)
During playback, the picture indicates motion or blurred action	 Portions of the still picture where the normal speed motion was particularly rapid may produce this effect. This is normal.
If the top of your playback picture waves back and forth excessively	• Because the playback signal is not as stable as an off the air TV signal, the top of your TV screen may be bent or unstable when the tape is played back. This symptom is more noticeable when a pre-recorded tape, recorded on another VCR, is played back. To solve this problem, locate the horizontal hold control on your TV. Turn it slowly to correct the wavy picture. If your TV does not have the horizontal hold control or adjusting the control does not help, some modifications may have to be made to the TV set. Technically this is called "Horizontal AFC time constant change." If such a problem is noticed, please contact your local TV service center. (Some nominal service charges are required.)

Before Requesting Service (continued)

- Cleaning Care for Video Heads



Clogged Video Head

Your Camcorder will not normally require head cleaning; however, it is possible that the heads may become clogged when playing an old or damaged tape. If the image on your screen resembles the photograph on the left, while playing back a tape, the heads may require cleaning.

(a) Video Head Cleaning:

(b) Cleaning the Heads: It is recommended that head cleaning be performed by a qualified service technician. Please contact your nearest Panasonic Service Center. An alternate solution is to obtain a head cleaning cassette. There are many types of cleaning cassettes, so be sure to follow the cleaning instructions carefully. Excessive use of the cleaning cassette could shorten head life. <u>Use this cassette</u> only when a head clogging symptom occurs.

Refer servicing to qualified service personnel.

Power Source:

Power Consumption:

Video Signal: Video Recording System: Audio Track: Pick-Up System: Pick-Up Device: Lens:

Viewfinder: Minimum Illumination Required: External Microphone Input Level: Operating Temperature: Operating Humidity: Weight:

Dimensions:

VHS Camcorder: DC 12V AC Adaptor: 110/120/220/240V AC, 50/60 Hz VHS Camcorder: 12V DC 10W AC Adaptor: 42W EIA Standard (525 lines, 60 fields) NTSC color signal 4 rotary heads. helical scanning system 1 track Sequential color difference field reverse system One integral color filter Charge Coupled Device (CCD) 12:1 zoom lens, f1.6 with auto iris control Focal length: 5.2mm - 62.5mm Power zoom function Lens filter diameter: 49mm 2/3 inch Electronic Viewfinder 1 Lux (F1.6) 0.1 footcandles -70dB, 4.7K ohms unbalanced, M3 connector 32°F~104°F (0°C~40°C) 10%~75% VHS Camcorder: 4.2 lbs. AC Adaptor: 1.5 lbs. VHS Camcorder: 3-3/4" (W) X 8" (H) X 15-5/16" (D) 95 (W) X 203 (H) X 389 (D) mm AC Adaptor: 3" (W) X 1-11/16" (H) X 8-5/16" (D) 76 (W) X 43 (H) X 210 (D) mm

Weight and dimensions shown are approximate. Designs and specifications are subject to change without notice.

FCC Warning: Any unauthorized changes or modifications to this equipment would void the user's authority to operate.

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

Note: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when operated in a residential environment.

If this equipment does cause interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, use the equipment in another location and/or utilize an electrical outlet different from that used by the receiver.

If necessary, consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help. The user may find the booklet 'Something About Interference' available from FCC local regional offices helpful.

PREPARATIVOS

- Conectar la videocámara a una fuente de alimentación (batería, adaptador de CA o cable para batería de coche).
- Encender el aparato.
- Introducir el casete en el compartimiento de casetes.

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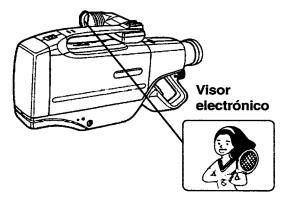
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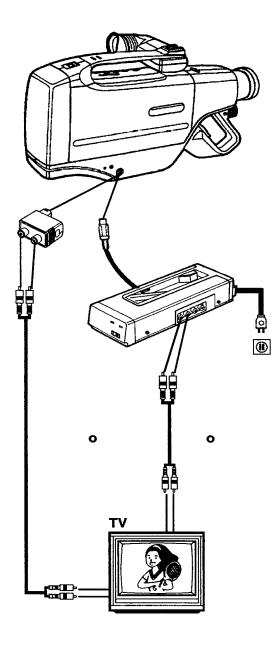
- 1 Conmutar la palanca selectora (VCR/CAMERA) a la posición "CAMERA". (Page 5 (8))
- 2 Conmuter el selector de equilibrio del blanco (WHITE BALANCE) a la posición "AUTO" cuando la luminosidad ambiental es la normal. (Page 5 (9))
- 3 Conmutar el interruptor de enfoque (FOCUS) a la posición "AUTO". (Page 5 12)
- 4 Oprimir el botón de grabación/pausa (RECORD/PAUSE) para comenzar a filmar. (Page 5 10)
- 5 Volver a oprimir el botón de grabación/pausa (RECORD/ PAUSE) cuando se desea hacer una pausa en la grabación. (Page 5 ①)

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- En el visor -



- En la TV -



PREPARATIVOS

- Conectar la videocámara a una fuente de alimentación (batería, adaptador de CA o cable para batería de coche).
- Encender el aparato.
- Introducir el casete en el compartimiento de casetes.

FUNCIONAMIENTO

- 1 Conmutar la palanca selectora (VCR/CAMERA) a la posición "VCR".(Page 5 ⑧)
- 2 Rebobinar la cinta con el botón de rebobinado (REWIND) (si fuera necesario). (Page 7 ⁽¹⁾)
- **3** Oprimir el botón de reproducción (PLAY) para que aparezcan las imágenes en la pantalla. (Page 7 ④)
- 4 Oprimir el botón de parada (STOP) cuando se desea parar la reproducción.(Page 7 16)

REPRODUCCION CON EFECTOS ESPECIALES

PARA LOCALIZAR RAPIDAMENTE UNA ESCENA ESPECIFICA

• Oprimir el botón de localización (SEARCH).

PARA CONGELAR UNA IMAGEN

- •Oprimir el botón de pausa/imagen fija (PAUSE/STILL).
- Oprimir nuevamente el botón cuando se desea continuar reproduciendo.

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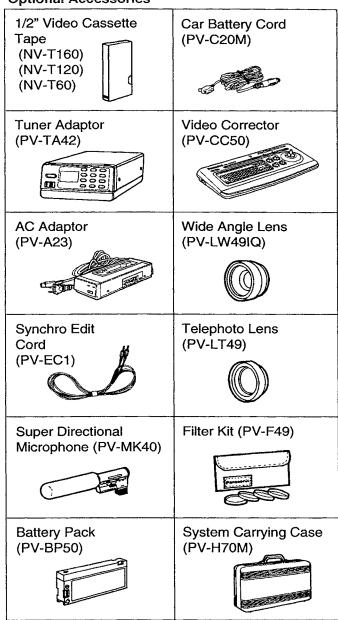
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Accessories

Accessories packed with your Camcorder

1 pc. AC Adaptor (PV-A25)	1 pc. Shoulder Strap (VYCW0025)
1 pc. Audio/Video Cable(VJAW0017)	1 pc. Audio/Video Output Adaptor(VSQS0507)
1 pc. Battery Pack (PV-BP50)	

Optional Accessories



Note:

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