

PENTAX



645NII

OPERATING MANUAL

To ensure the best performance from your camera,
please read the Operating Manual before using the camera.

Welcome to the Fantastic World of Pentax Autofocus Multi-Mode Medium Format Photography

The Pentax **645NII**, our latest development in the area of the medium format SLR, promises a superior 6 x 4.5cm result with 120, 220, or 70mm film.

Made possible through our vast experience and technology accumulated over the years, the new autofocus multi-mode **645NII** assures pin-sharp focus accuracy with AF Spot and AF Wide selection, and the 6-segment multi-pattern metering allows precise exposure control under widely varying conditions. Unsurpassed versatility is assured through the utilizing of a full range of exposure modes (Programmed AE, Aperture-Priority AE and Shutter-Priority AE, Metered Manual and TTL auto flash control), an exposure compensation control and auto-bracketing mode and a new user-set Pentax Function to customize the **645NII** to meet the for user's shooting preferences.

With a 645 A- or FA lens attached, the **645NII** imprints relevant information (frame number, shutter speed, aperture setting, exposure control and auto-bracketing mode.)

The Pentax **645NII** is a professional camera possessing a number of highly sophisticated features: built-in automated film wind, an external LCD information panel and clearly visible LCD information in the viewfinder.

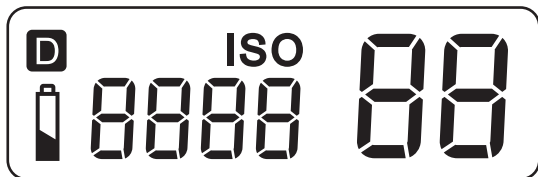
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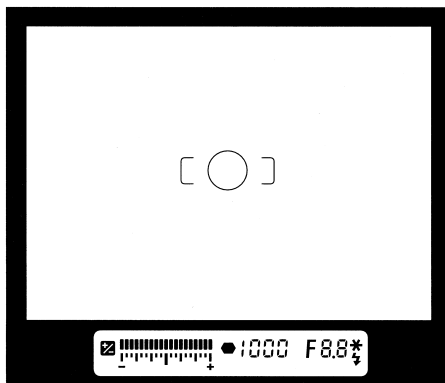
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- 88 : Frame Counter (p.22)
- 8888 : Film Speed Information (p.24)
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-  : Imprinting Exposure Data Information (p.64)

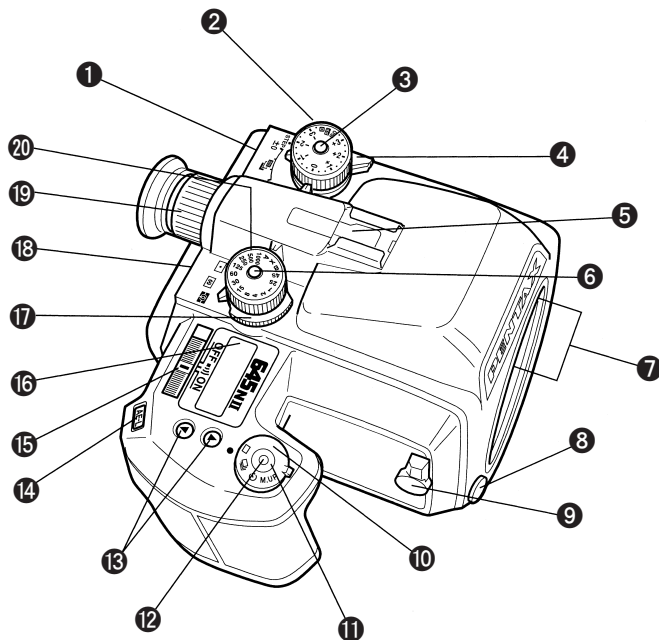
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- [] : 3-point AF Frame (p.34)
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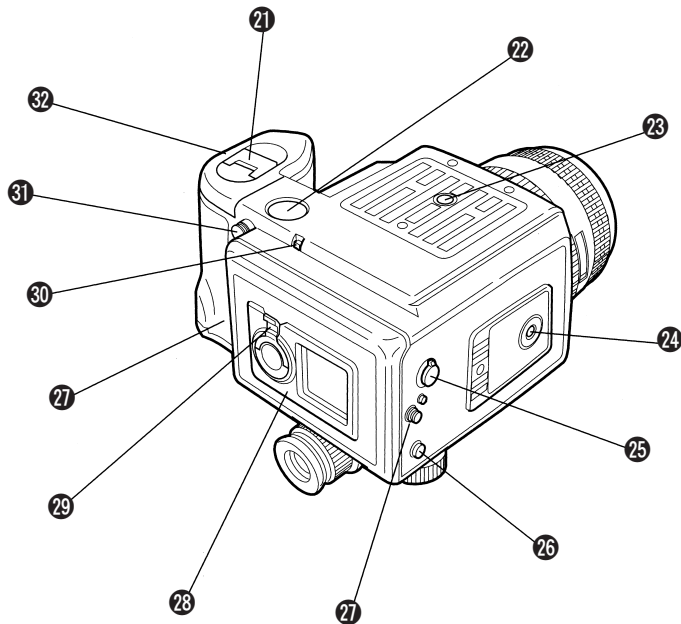
Names of Working Parts



- ❶ AF mode selector (p.33, 58)
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- ❹ Auto bracketing selector (p.53)
- ❺ Hot shoe (p.68)
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- ⓯ Main Switch (p.14)
- ⓰ LCD panel (p.3)
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- ⓳ Diopter adjustment ring (p.28)
- ⓴ Shutter speed dial

Names of Working Parts

- 21 Battery holder release knob
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FOR SAFE USE OF YOUR CAMERA

Although we have carefully designed this camera for safe operation, please be sure to follow precautions given on this page.

 **WARNING** This mark indicates precautions that, if not followed, could result in serious injuries to the operator.

 **CAUTION** This mark indicates precautions that, if not followed, could result in minor or medium injuries to the operator or damage to the equipment.

 WARNING

- Wrapping the strap around your neck is dangerous. Make sure that small children do not get the strap caught around their neck.
- Do not look directly at the sun through the camera, as viewing the sun for an extended period may damage your eyes.

 CAUTION

- Never try to disassemble, short or recharge the battery. Also, do not dispose of the battery in fire, as it may explode.
- Remove the batteries from the camera immediately if they become hot or begin to smoke. Be careful not to burn yourself during removal.

Your Pentax camera is a high-precision mechanism. Handle it with great care.

Precautions when taking pictures

- Do not use the camera where it may come in contact with rain, water, or any other liquid, because the camera is not weather, water, or liquid resistant. Should the camera get wet from rain, splashing water, or any other liquid wipe it off immediately with a dry soft cloth.
- Do not drop the camera or allow it to hit solid objects. If the camera suffers a shock or impact, take it to a Pentax service center for inspection.
- Be careful not to subject the camera to strong vibrations, shock or pressure. Use a cushion to protect the camera when carrying it in a motorcycle, car, boat, etc.
- Condensation on the interior or exterior of the camera may be extremely harmful to the camera mechanism as it may cause rust. Furthermore, if the camera is taken from warm temperature to a subfreezing one or vice versa, the formation of ice crystals may cause damage. In such a case, put the camera into a case or plastic bag so that temperature difference is minimized. Do not remove it from the bag until temperature has stabilized.

- Regular size color prints may cut off what appears on the extreme edges of the film frame. Compose your picture with a margin of safety at the edges.

Precautions for storage

- Avoid leaving the camera for extended periods in places where the humidity and temperature are very high, such as in a car.
- Do not store the camera in a closet with mothballs or in an areas where chemicals are handled. Store it in a place with good dry air circulation to prevent the growth of fungus.

Precautions for proper care

- Never touch the shutter curtain or mirror with your finger or any other object.
- Use a blower and lens brush to remove dust accumulated on the lens or viewfinder.
- Never use solvents such as paint thinner, alcohol or benzene to clean the camera.
- Electrical problems may often be caused by water, dirt or dust at points of electrical contact. Also check for battery leakage, traces of dirt or grease, or corrosion due to salinity or gas. If you cannot correct the problems, have your camera inspected at a Pentax service center. Repairs of this nature are not covered under the terms of the warranty and charges may be assessed.

Other precautions

- The temperature range at which this camera functions properly is 50°C to -10°C (122°F to 14°F).
- A camera which has been submerged in water usually cannot be repaired. If such an accident should occur, it is advisable to contact a Pentax Service Center immediately.
- To maintain optimum performance, it is recommended that the camera be inspected every one or two years. If the camera has not been used for an extended period, or is being prepared for an important photographic session, it is recommended that you have the camera inspected or test shoot with it.

- Repairs deemed necessary due to usage of this product in an industrial or commercial application may not be covered under the terms of the Pentax warranty.
- The PENTAX warranty provides only for the repair of defects in materials or workmanship. Damage of any kind cannot be repaired at no charge under the terms of the warranty. If the difficulty is caused as a direct result of the product being used in conditions as outlined in this manual, charges will be assessed and a repair quotation will be provided.

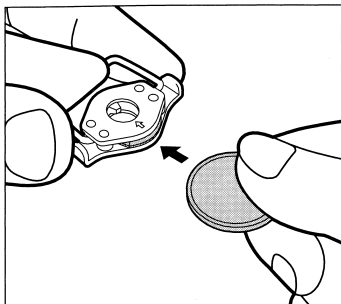
- Use six 1.5V AA size alkaline, or lithium batteries.
- Misuse of the battery can cause hazards such as leakage, overheating, explosion, etc. The battery should be inserted with the "+" and "-" sides facing correctly.
- Battery performance may be temporarily hindered in low temperatures, but will recover in normal temperatures.
- Keep a spare battery on hand for replacement convenience when shooting outdoors or while traveling.
- Replace the batteries at the same time. Do not mix battery brands, types or old batteries with new ones. As this may cause explosion or overheating.

I. BASIC OPERATION (PREPARATION)

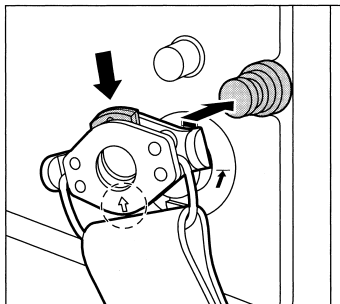
Icon indicators used in this manual

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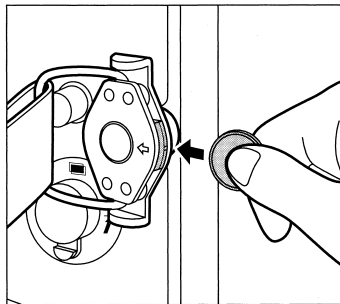
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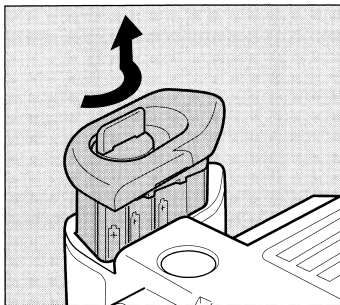
1. Use a coin or similar object to slide the clasp in the direction of the arrow.
2. Put the clasp onto the strap lug of the camera with the arrow indication facing out, and slide the lock plate back to the original position.

3. To remove the strap, repeat step 1.

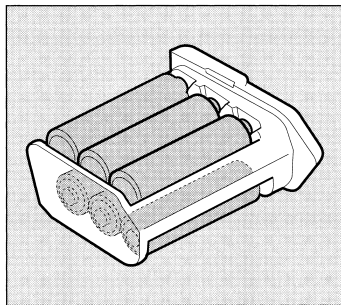
- Adjust the length of the strap with the buckle.
- After fitting the strap and adjusting the length, pull the strap hard to confirm that the strap has securely attached to the camera.
- There is a pocket on the strap so you can store a small accessory.

Loading the Batteries

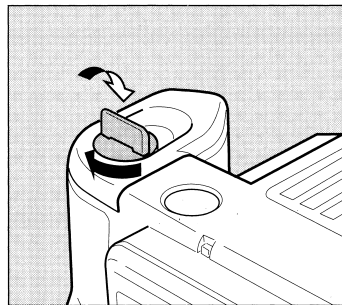
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1. To remove the battery holder, lift the battery holder release knob and turn it in the direction of the arrow.
2. Load six 1.5V AA-size batteries in the battery holder in accordance with the diagram located in the battery holder.
3. To secure the battery holder, turn the battery holder release knob in the direction of the arrow.

- This camera requires battery power for operation. Always use six 1.5V AA size batteries.
- The ISO film speed and number of exposed frames are unchanged if the batteries are replaced.
- Keep spare batteries on hand when shooting out doors or while traveling.
- Use of the optional Remote Battery Pack 645 is recommended when the camera is used in extremely low temperatures.
- Replace all the batteries at the same time. Do not mix battery brands, types or old batteries with new ones.
- Remove batteries when not using the camera for long periods of time as the batteries may leak.

Battery life

[20°C/68°F]

	Alkaline Battery	Lithium Battery
120 film holder:	about 130 rolls	about 320 rolls
220 film holder:	about 100 rolls	about 250 rolls
Bulb exposure time	about 8 hours	about 12 hours

Battery life

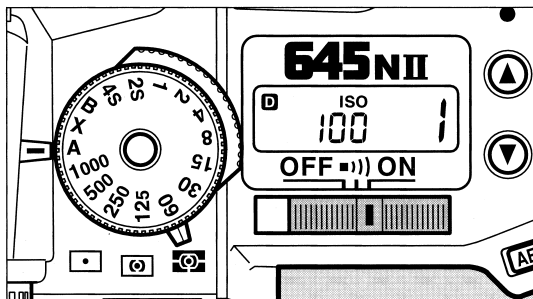
[-10°C/14°F]

	Alkaline Battery	Lithium Battery
120 film holder:	about 7 rolls	about 120 rolls
220 film holder:	about 5 rolls	about 90 rolls
Bulb exposure time	about 6 hours	about 10 hours

- The batteries were used under our testing conditions. Actual battery life and performance may vary drastically depending on external conditions such as temperature and freshness of the battery.
- Battery performance may be temporarily hindered in low temperatures, but should recover in normal temperatures.

Turning the Power ON

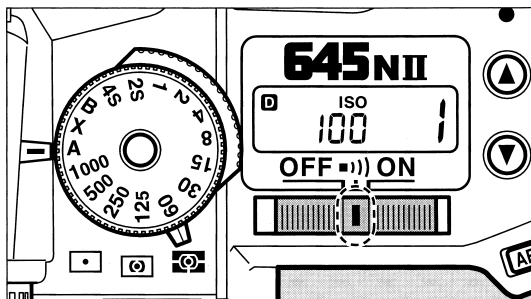
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1. Set the main switch to [ON]

- When the camera is not in use, make sure that the main switch is OFF to prevent battery drain if the shutter release button is accidentally pressed.

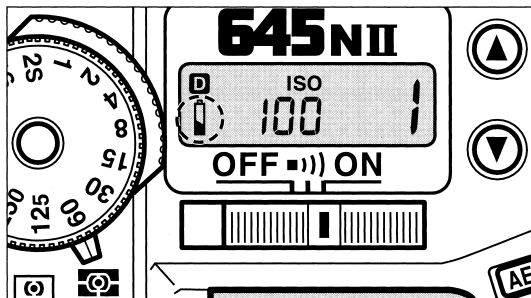
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2. With the main switch set to [ON], an audible PCV signal is heard under one of the following conditions.

- When the subject comes into focus.
- When the film is left only one frame.
- With the mirror lock-up function set.

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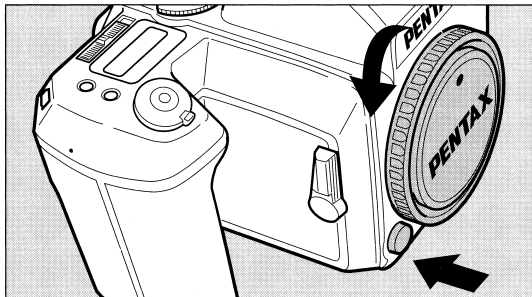
*Low Battery Warning

When the batteries are nearly exhausted, the battery symbol  appears on the LCD panel as a warning. Replace the batteries as soon as possible. See page 12 for replacing the batteries.

- Even if the low-battery symbol appears, exposure will be correct as long as the shutter can be released. It is recommended to replace the batteries as soon as possible.

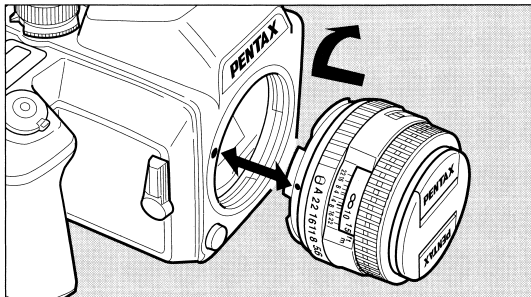
Attaching the Lens

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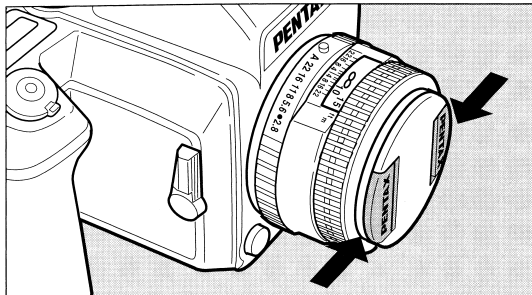
1. Remove the body mount cap while pressing the lens unlock button.

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2. Align the red dots on the camera and lens mount, attach the lens to the camera body, and turn it fully to the right until you hear a click.

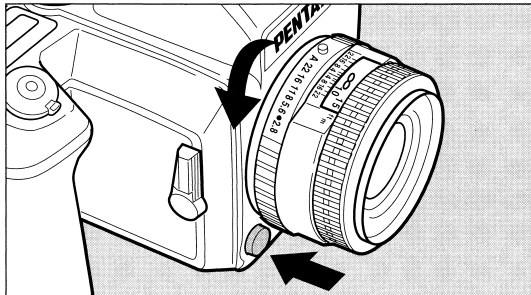
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3. To remove the front lens cap, squeeze the tabs on the both sides in the direction of the arrow.

- With a non-autofocus lens attached, all available functions in this camera operate except autofocus operation.
- We assume no responsibility nor liability for damages resulting from the use of lenses made by other manufacturers.
- The camera body and lens mount incorporate lens information contacts and an AF coupler. Dirt, dust, or corrosion may cause damage to the electrical system. Clean the contacts with a soft, dry cloth.

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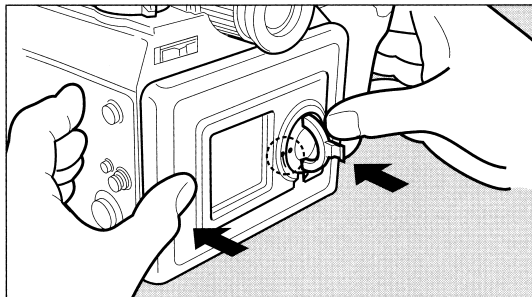
*** How to remove**

To remove the lens, turn it to the left while pressing the lens unlock button.

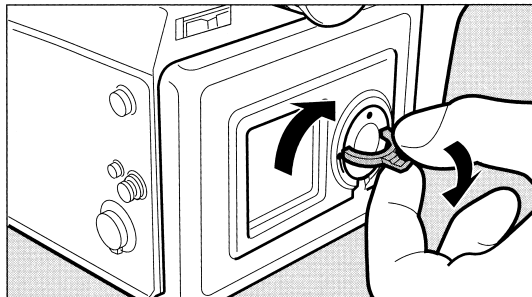
- To protect the contacts and AF coupler of the lens against damage after removal, be sure to set the lens down with the mount side facing upward.

Detaching/Attaching Film Holder 645

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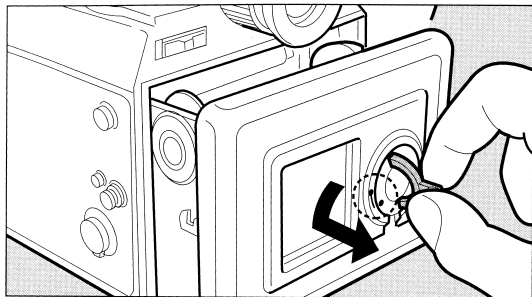


Attaching

1. Align the red dots on the film holder knob and film holder, then insert the film holder into the camera chamber. Press both sides of the film holder until you hear a click.

2. Turn the film holder knob 90° to the right. After attaching the film holder to the camera, fold the film holder knob into its original position.

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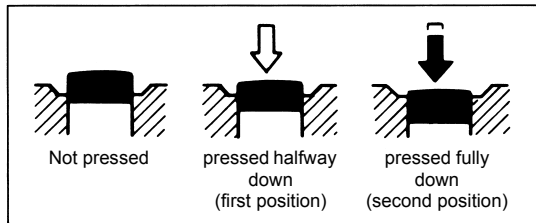
- When inserting the film holder into the camera body, be sure that the film holder is inserted all the way in order to avoid any serious damage.
- Precautions are required when attaching the 220 film holder.

Detaching

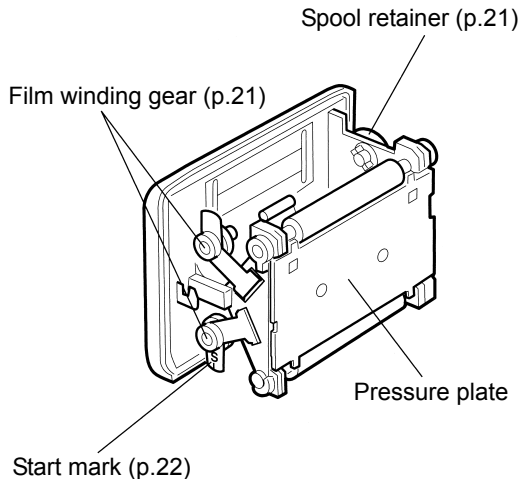
1. Raise the film holder knob and turn until the red dot markings align and a click is heard. Continue to turn the film holder knob to the left; the locking mechanism will release and the film holder is now detached from the camera body.

The shutter release button has two positions. Pressing it down halfway (first position) turns on the exposure meter and autofocus system. Pressing it fully (second position) releases the shutter. When taking a picture, press the shutter release button gently to prevent camera shake.

- Before loading a roll of film, slowly press the shutter release button to learn where the first position is.
- The LCD indication stays on for about 10 seconds after the button is released from the halfway position.
- The timer duration of the LCD indication can be changed from the initial 10 seconds to 20 or 30 seconds with Pentax function No.2 See page 78.

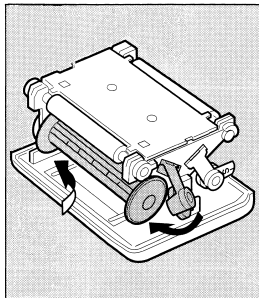


Loading Film

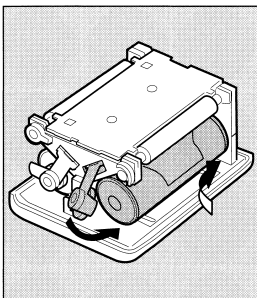


After loading the film, be sure to set the proper film speed. See page 24 for setting the film speed.

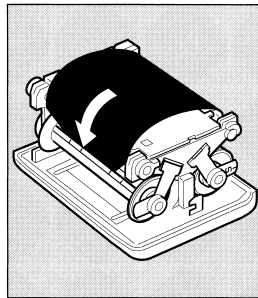
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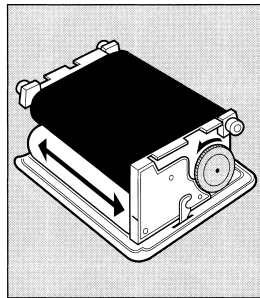
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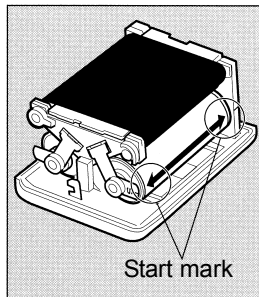


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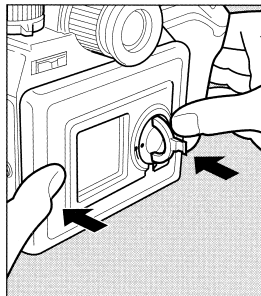


1. Install an empty spool to the spool retainer as illustrated.
2. Tear off the tape and install the spool to the film holder so that the black inner side of the leader must face outwards.
3. Draw the leader from the film roll, and insert the leader paper tip into the take-up spool's slit.
4. Slowly rotate the film winding gear in the direction of the arrow while lightly holding the leader paper.

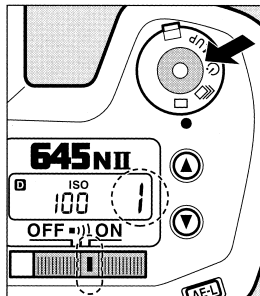
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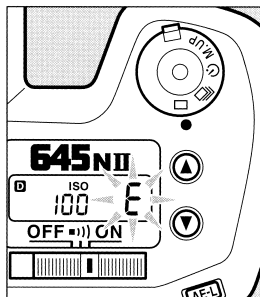
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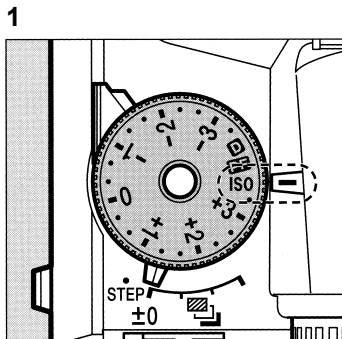


5. Wind the leader paper onto the take-up spool until the arrow on the leader paper aligns the holder's start mark S and the red line.
6. Attach the film holder into the camera body.

7. Set the main switch to [ON]. Press the shutter release button. The film automatically advances to the first frame. **1** is displayed on the LCD panel.
8. If **E** appears, it indicates that the film is not properly loaded. Detach the film holder from the camera and load the film once again.

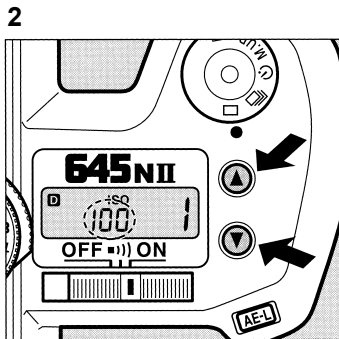
- Always load or unload a film in the shade or by using your body to shade the film holder.
- We suggest that you first operate the camera without a film to become familiar with its operations.
- The film counter indication advances one each time the shutter is released.
- With a 220 film loaded, the dot marks appear before the arrow marking. If the dot marks align the start mark on the film holder, the first 3 frames will not be exposed.
- The film counter indication can be set with Pentax Function No.7 to either count forward or backward each frame.
- If the leader paper is wound far over the start mark S or the red line, you may lose the last frame(s) on the roll.
- The film holder cannot be changed or removed when the film is in mid-roll.
- 15 pictures are taken with a 120 roll film and 32 pictures are taken with a 220 roll film. The number of pictures taken can be changed with Pentax function No.9.
- With the main switch set to , the PCV signal beeps for two second when the film is left only one frame for film depleting warning

Setting the Film Speed (ISO)

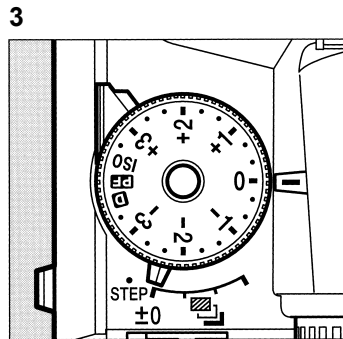


1. Set the exposure compensation dial to the ISO position

- Turn the exposure compensation dial while holding down the exposure compensation dial release button.
- The shutter cannot be released with the exposure compensation dial set at [ISO].



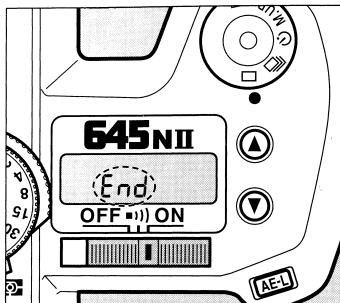
2. Press the up/down button. To set the ISO for to a higher film speed, press the button repeatedly until the desired ISO appears on the LCD panel. To change ISO for a lower film speed, press the button repeatedly until the desired film speed appears on the LCD panel.



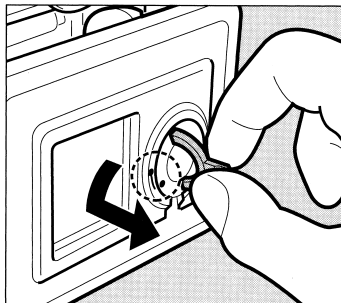
3. After the desired film speed is set, turn the exposure compensation dial to the [0] position.

- The film speed setting range is ISO 6 to 6400 in 1/3 EV step increments.
- You can tear off a part of the film package indicating the type of film and speed, and insert it into the memo holder provided on the film holder to remind you of the film type/speed that you are using.
- [ISO] and film speed are always displayed on the LCD panel with the main switch set to the ON position.

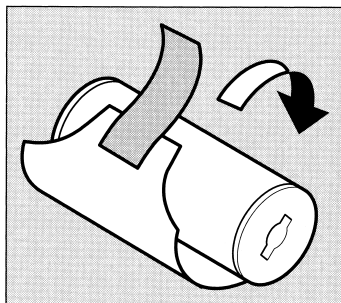
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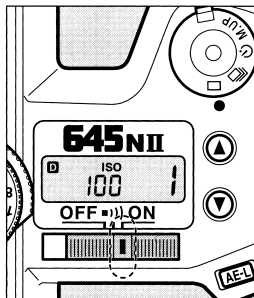
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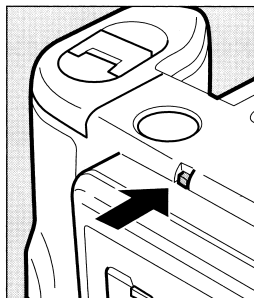
1. After the last frame of the roll is exposed, the camera will automatically wind the film and stop winding as soon as the end of the leader paper is wound to the take-up spool. **End** on the LCD panel is displayed.
 2. Detach the film holder from the camera.
 3. While firmly holding the wound film roll, affix the paper seal securely on the back of the paper leader to prevent the exposed roll from unwinding accidentally.
- Remove the film in the shade or by using your body to shade the camera.
 - The number of exposed frames on the LCD panel disappears.

Unloading the Film in Mid-Roll

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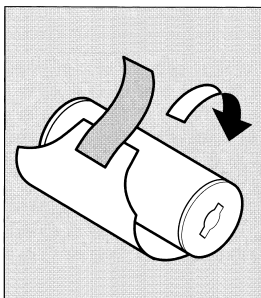
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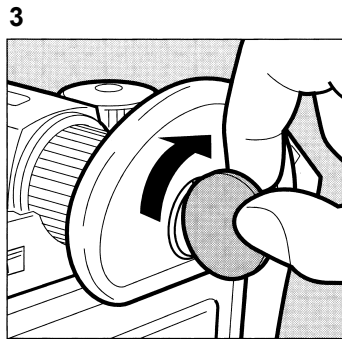
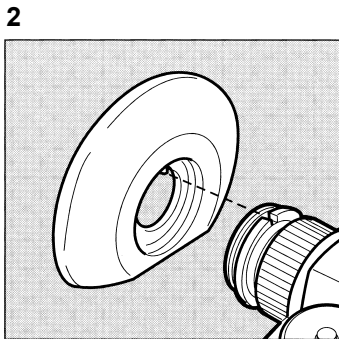
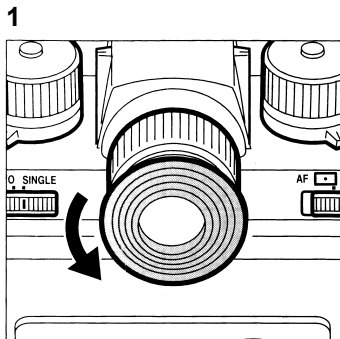
If you wish to remove the film before exposing all the frames, use this function.

1. Set the main switch to [ON].
2. Press the mid-roll wind-up button fully with a fine-pointed object. The film will wind completely.
3. Before detaching the film holder, check that **End** is displayed on the LCD panel.



4. While firmly holding the wound film roll, affix the paper seal securely on the back of the paper leader to prevent the exposed roll from unwinding accidentally.

- The number of exposed frames on the LCD panel disappears.
- When removing the film from the camera, protect it from direct sunlight.



Two types of eyecups, a standard and a larger one are provided as accessories; they may be utilized according to a given situation. The larger is constructed of rubber and designed to fit close to the face for easy shooting.

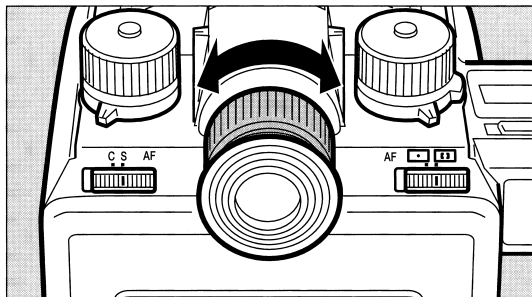
To install

1. The standard eyecup may be easily removed from the viewfinder by rotating the cup to the left.
2. To install the larger eyecup: match the eyecup pin with the eyepiece hole.

3. Turn the fixing screw to the right with a coin or similar object.

- When using accessories such as the Refconverter 645, remove the eyecup first.
- When turning the fixing screw with a coin, a large diameter coin is recommended to use. A small diameter coin touches the glass part of the eyepiece and causes scratching the eyepiece glass.

Adjusting the Viewfinder Diopter



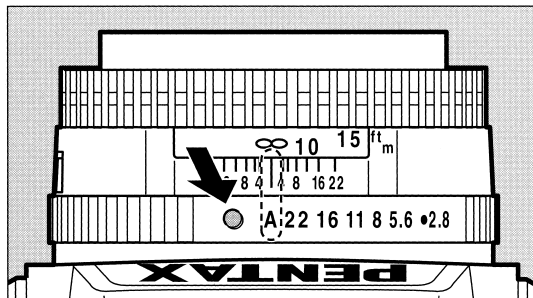
- The diopter adjustment range is $+1.0D$ to $-3.5^{-1}m$ (per meter).

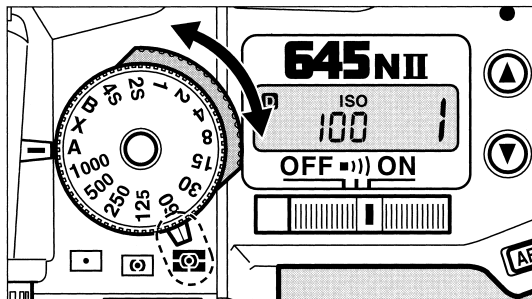
Aim the camera at a bright subject. While looking through the viewfinder, turn the diopter adjustment ring to the left or right until the autofocus frame  appears in the sharpest focus.

II. BASIC OPERATION (SHOOTING)

Using the Programmed AE Mode

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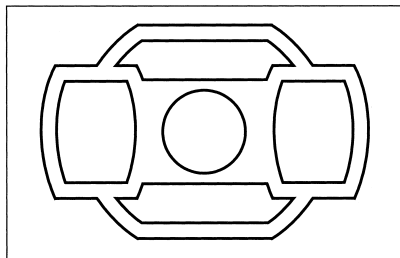
In the multi(6)-segment metering mode, the metering system automatically measures light in six different zones, enabling proper exposure in a wide variety of normal and adverse lighting conditions.

Set the metering mode switch to .

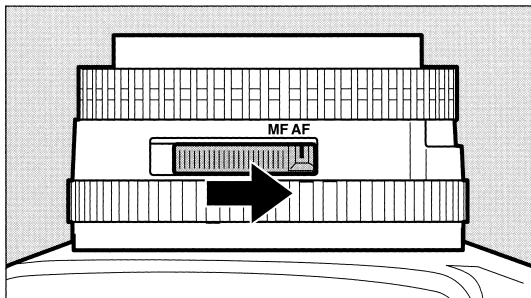
- The center-weighted metering mode and spot metering mode are also available in this camera. See page 55 and 56 for more details.
- When the Adapter 645 for 67 lens or Helicoid Extension Tube 645 attached, the center-weighted metering mode is automatically set even if you select the multi-segment metering mode. The multi-segment mode cannot be used.

MULTI(6)-SEGMENT METERING

This camera incorporates a high-precision six-segment TTL metering system. Light values are measured in six segments within the image field, enabling an optimal exposure to be made under a variety of lighting conditions. With conventional averaged metering systems, underexposure of the subject results from the brightness of the background affecting the overall metering. With multi(6)-segment metering, the camera records the brightness in six zones within the image field and uses these measurements to choose an exposure that will not underexpose the subject. The multi(6)-segment metering system also calculates exposure values for a scene to automatically compensate for high-contrast and other difficult lighting conditions. Even a beginner can achieve excellent results with ease.



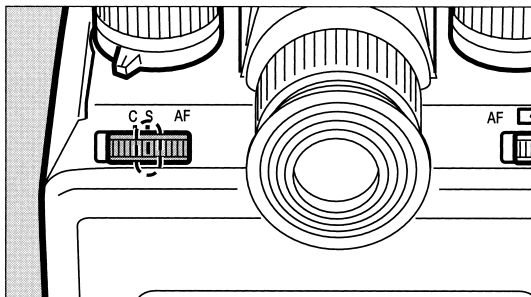
Using Autofocus Mode



- Switching between the autofocus mode and manual focus mode depends on the lens you use. For more details, read the operating manual of the lens.
- The camera does not provide the switch for switching between the autofocus mode and manual mode.

With the Pentax 645 FA lens attached, the lens automatically focuses when you press the shutter release button halfway down.

Set the lens in the autofocus mode.

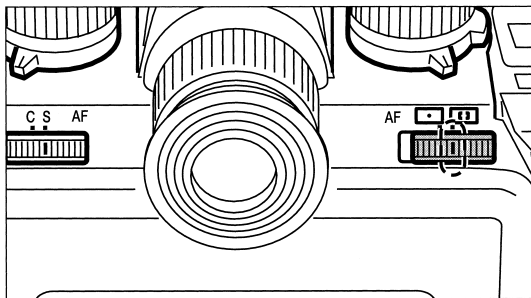


- Continuous AF Mode is also available in this camera. See page 58.

When you press the shutter button, the lens automatically focuses. As soon as the subject is in focus, the shutter is released. For normal use, select this position. The shutter cannot be released if the subject is out of focus.

Set the AF mode selector to .

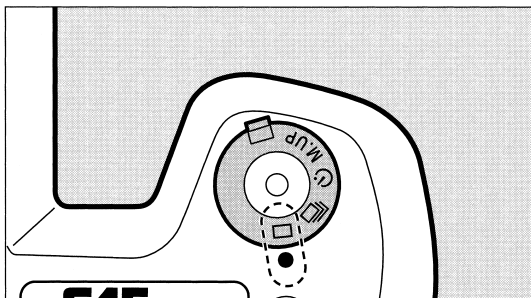
Using the 3-Point AF Mode



In the 3-point autofocus system, the subject will be focused properly even if the main subject is slightly off-center of the AF frame.

Set the AF mode selector to .

Using the Single-Frame Drive Mode



One picture is taken each time the shutter release button is pressed.

Set the drive mode dial to .

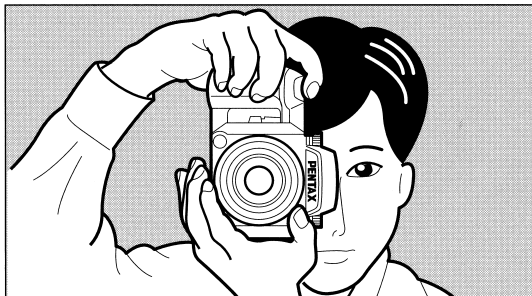
Camera held horizontally



For best results, be sure to hold the camera correctly as shown in the illustrations.

Hold the camera firmly, with your left hand supporting the camera and lens as shown in the illustrations. While taking a picture, hold your breath and gently press the shutter release button. (Sudden force on the shutter release button will cause camera shake, making the picture blurred.)

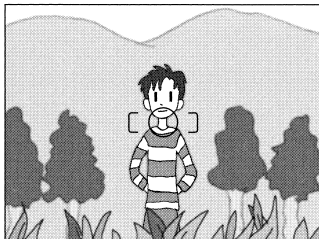
Camera held vertically



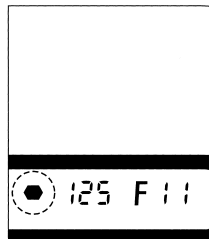
- To reduce camera shake, support your body or the camera on a solid object - a table, tree, or a wall for instance.
- Although there are individual differences among photographers, in general the shutter speed with a handheld camera is lower than the inverse of the focal length. For example, 1/75 second when the focal length is 75mm, and 1/150 second when the focal length is 150mm. A tripod should be used for shutter speeds slower than this.
- When using an ultra-telephoto lens, a tripod that is heavier than the total weight of the camera and lens is recommended to avoid camera shake.
- This camera has provided two tripod sockets for vertical and horizontal format positions.
- When a tripod is used, use of an optional Cable SW CS-105/CS-130 or Cable Release is also recommended.

Taking a Picture

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Set the lens to the autofocus position.

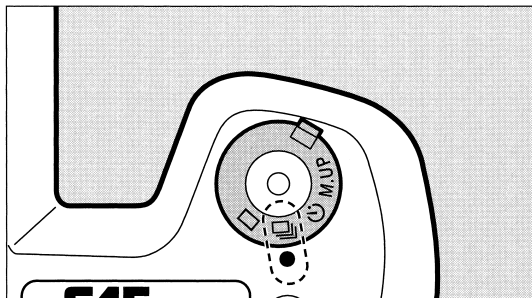
1. Focus on the subject with the 3-point AF frame . When the shutter release button is pressed halfway down, the lens automatically focuses.
2. When the subject is in focus, the focus indicator  lights up.
3. To release the shutter, gently press the shutter release button fully.

- When the shutter release button is pressed halfway down, the shutter speed and aperture setting are displayed in the viewfinder.
- Select the Spot AF Mode to critically focus on a specific spot of the subject. See details on page 59.
- When the subject is in focus, the audible PCV signal can be emitted. See details on page 14.
- During autofocus operation, the focusing ring should not be obstructed with your fingers, hands, or any other object.

The focus indicator  blinks when the camera is not able to obtain proper focus for one of the following reasons.

1. The subject is too close. Adjust the camera to subject distance.
2. The subject is difficult to autofocus. See "HARD-TO-AUTOFOCUS" on page 63.

- The shutter cannot be released if the subject is out of focus.
- The film counter indication advances each time the shutter is released.
- Press the shutter release button halfway down. While  is on, the camera-to-subject distance is fixed (focus lock). To refocus on another subject, lift your finger off the shutter release button.
- If the drive mode switch is set to the Consecutive-Frame Mode with the Single AF Mode set, the camera focuses only the first picture. From the second picture, the pictures are taken consecutively with the focus locked at the first picture.



III. ADVANCED OPERATIONS

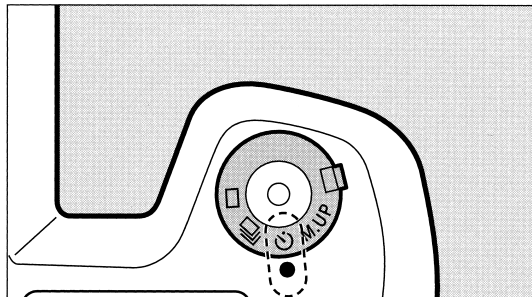
Consecutive-Frame Mode

Consecutive pictures can be taken by holding down the shutter release button.

Set the drive mode selector to .

- if the AF mode selector is set to [S], the camera focuses only the first picture. From the second picture, the pictures are taken consecutively with the focus locked at the first picture.

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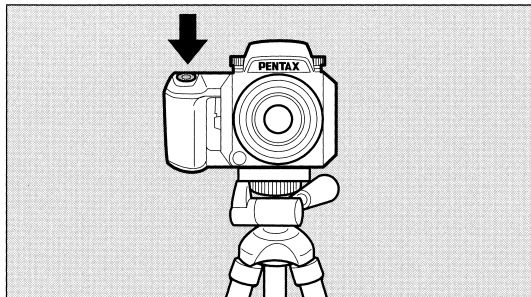


Self-Timer Mode

The self-timer mode delays the shutter release, and is useful for taking group shots that include the photographer. The shutter will be released about 12 seconds after the shutter release button is pressed.

1. Set the drive mode selector to .
2. Focus on the subject first using the autofocus frame and by pressing the shutter release button halfway down. Then press the shutter release button fully.

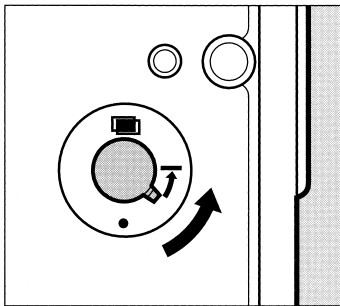
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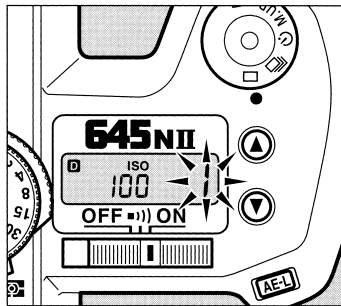
- The shutter will be released about 12 seconds later.
- When the Self-Timer is in operation. The audible PCV signal is heard and the rate increases for the last two seconds.
- To cancel the Self-Timer operation after it has been activated, move the drive mode selector to a position other than  or set the main switch to the OFF position.
- The Self-Timer delay time can be set to 12 sec. or 2 sec. (with mirror lock-up) with Pentax Function No. 4.

Multiplex Exposure Mode

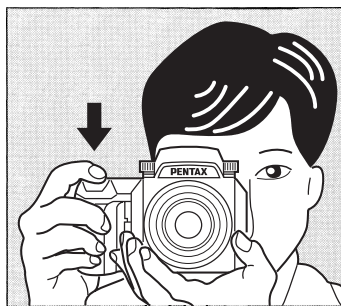
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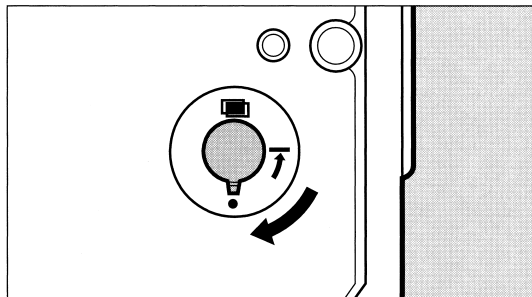


Procedure

1. Turn the multi-exposure switch in the direction of the arrow until it locks.
2. The frame counter on the LCD panel blinks.

3. Press the shutter release button to shoot an initial exposure. The film will not advance.

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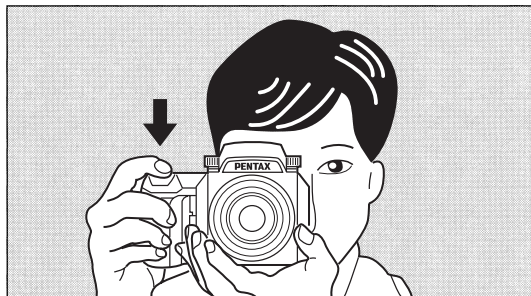


- 4. Return the multi-exposure switch to the original position to cancel the multi-exposure mode.**

Notes:

- To exposure the triple shot, leave the multi-exposure switch in the lock position and shoot the second shot. Then return the multi-exposure switch to the original position. The film does not advance at this stage. Press the shutter release button to shoot the third shot. The film will advance and the Single-Frame shooting will be restored.

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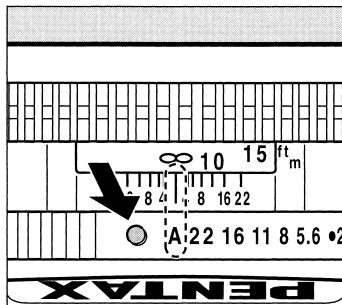


- 5. Recompose the frame, and press the shutter release button to shoot the second shot.**

- When using the Multi-Exposure Mode, you usually get the best result using a flash to illuminate the main subject against a dimly-lit background.
- To cancel the Multi-Exposure Mode, turn the multi-exposure switch to the original position.
- When using the Multi-Exposure Mode, the exposed frame may move slightly.
- With the data exposure imprinting set, the data of the last frame is imprinted.

Selecting an Exposure Mode

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Using the Programmed AE Mode

Purpose

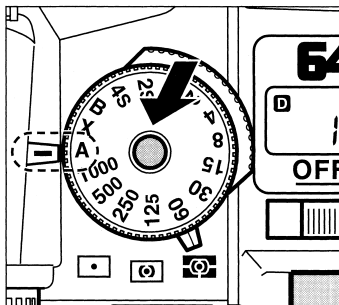
The camera automatically selects the optimum combination of shutter speed and aperture settings, making it easy to take a good photograph by just pressing the shutter release button.

To set

1. Set the lens aperture ring to **A**.

- Turn the lens aperture ring while holding down the aperture-A lock button.

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2. Turn the shutter speed dial to **A** while holding down the shutter speed dial lock release button.

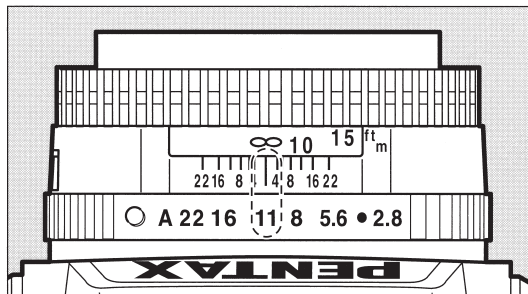
- The shutter speed dial can be released from **A** to another position in the same manner as above.
- When the shutter release button is pressed halfway, the shutter speed and aperture setting will be displayed in the viewfinder.
- You can shift the program line of Programmed AE Mode with Pentax Function No 4. See page 79 for more details.

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*** Exposure Warning**

If the subject is too bright or too dark, the shutter speed and aperture setting will blink in the viewfinder. If the subject is too bright, select a darker subject. Use a flash if the subject is too dark.

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Using the Aperture-Priority AE Mode

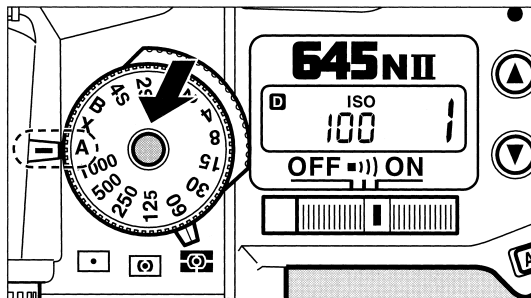
Purpose

When the desired aperture is selected, an appropriate shutter speed is automatically set by the camera for a proper exposure. This mode is ideal for shooting landscapes with increased depth of field, or a portrait against a blurred background.

To set

1. Set the lens aperture ring to the desired f-stop other than **[A]**.
- Turn the lens aperture ring while holding down the aperture-A lock button.

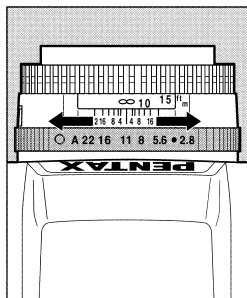
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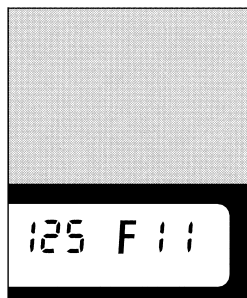
2. Set the shutter speed dial to **[A]**.

- The shutter speed dial can be released from **[A]** to another position while holding down the shutter speed dial lock button.

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3. Set the desired f-stop.

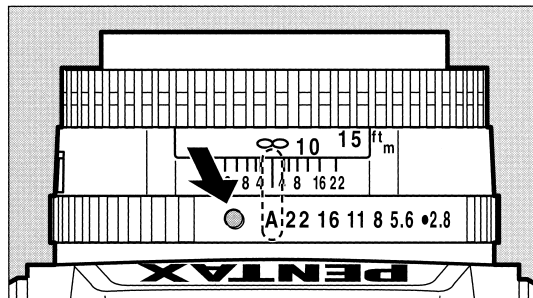
4. The f-stop that you have selected and appropriate aperture indication determined by the camera can be seen in the viewfinder when the shutter release button is pressed half-way.

- The approximate aperture indication appears in the viewfinder. It may not be the same indication as that you selected with the lens aperture ring especially when the A645 150mm f/3.5 or A 645 45-82mm Zoom f/4.5 is attached.

* Exposure Warning

If the subject is too bright or too dark, the selected shutter speed will blink in the viewfinder and on the LCD panel as a warning as shown. When the subject is too bright, choose a smaller aperture, if available; when it is too dark, choose a larger aperture, if available. When the shutter speed indication stops blinking, you can take the picture. If both shutter and aperture blink, it means that the exposure is out of metering range and unable to obtain a correct exposure even if the aperture is adjusted. Select a darker subject if it is too bright, or use a flash if it is too dark.

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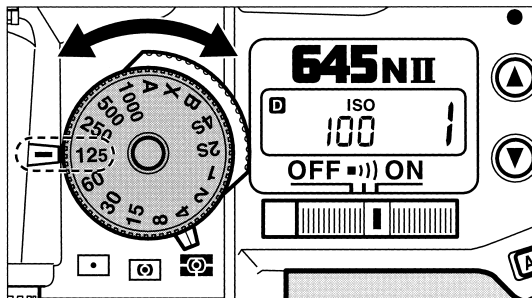


Using the Shutter-Priority AE Mode

Purpose

When the desired shutter is selected, the appropriate aperture is automatically set by the camera for a proper exposure according to the brightness of the subject. This mode is suitable for freezing the action with a fast shutter speed or capturing a flowing dynamic image with a slow shutter speed.

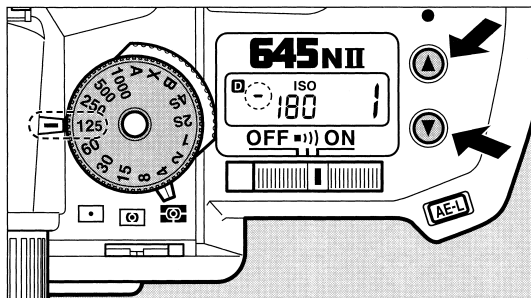
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To set

1. Set the lens aperture ring to **A**.
2. Set the shutter speed dial to a shutter speed other than **A**.
 - To set the shutter speed dial to a position other than **A**, turn the shutter speed dial while holding down the shutter speed dial lock button.
3. Set the shutter speed dial to the desired shutter speed.

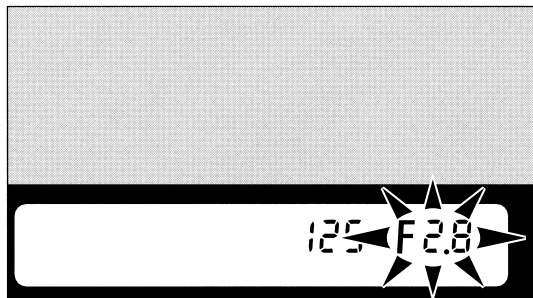
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4. The shutter speed dial between 1/1000 to 4S can be set to 1/2 step by pressing the up/down button. The set shutter speed will be displayed on the LCD panel and in the viewfinder.

- If the shutter speed does not change to 1/2 step, confirm Pentax Function No. 1
- When the shutter release button is pressed half-way down, the shutter speed and the aperture value will be displayed in the viewfinder.
- In flash photography, when you use flash sync shutter speed of 1/60 second or a non-dedicated external flash unit, set the shutter speed dial to the $\boxed{X}$ (1/60 of second) position.

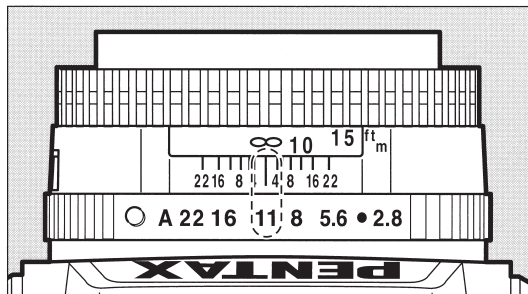
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* Exposure Warning

If the subject is too bright or too dark, the shutter speed and aperture setting in the viewfinder blink. When the subject is too bright, choose a faster shutter speed. When the shutter speed indication stops blinking, you can take the picture. If both selected shutter speed and aperture blink, it means that the exposure is out of metering range and unable to obtain a correct exposure even if the shutter speed is adjusted. Select a darker subject if the subject is too bright. Use a flash if it is too dark.

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Using the Metered Manual Mode

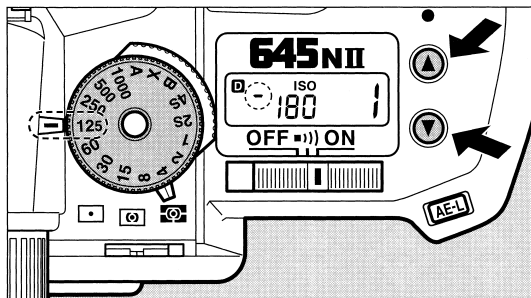
Purpose

The Metered Manual Mode is a convenient exposure mode for taking pictures using the same shutter speed and aperture setting combination, or taking creatively under or over exposed photographs.

To set

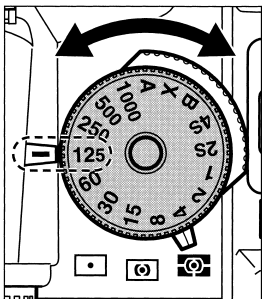
1. Set the lens aperture ring to the desired f-stop setting.
- Turn the lens aperture ring while holding down the aperture-A lock button.

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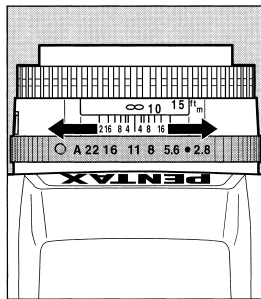


2. Set the shutter speed dial to the desired shutter speed.
 3. The shutter speed dial between 1/1000 to 4S can be set to 1/2 step by pressing the up/down button. The set shutter speed will be displayed on the LCD panel and in the viewfinder.
- If the shutter speed does not change to 1/2 step, confirm Pentax Function No. 1
 - To set the shutter speed dial to a position other than [A], turn the shutter speed dial while holding down the shutter speed dial lock button.
 - When the 645 LS (with leaf shutter) 75mm is attached, [LS] Appears on the LCD panel.

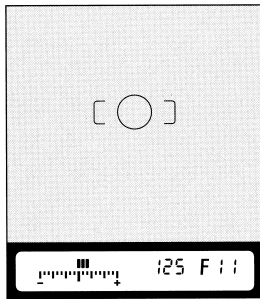
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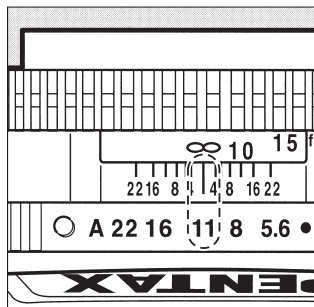
4. Turn either the shutter dial or lens aperture ring until a single bar is displayed in the center of the bar graph.
 5. When the shutter release button is pressed half-way, the shutter speed, approximate aperture and bar graph will be displayed in the viewfinder.
- When the bars are displayed to the $\oplus$ side on the bar graph, it indicates overexposure and when the bars are displayed to the $\ominus$ side, it indicates underexposure.
 - Moving one bar on the bar graph indicates 1/3 step (EV). However, when under or over exposure is set beyond + 3 or - 3 steps (3EV), $\oplus$ or $\ominus$ indicator will blink.

- In flash photography, when you use the flash sync shutter speed of 1/60 second or a non-dedicated external flash unit, set the shutter dial to the $\boxtimes$ (1/60 of second) position.

* Exposure Warning

If the subject is too bright or too dark, the selected shutter speed will blink in the viewfinder as a warning as shown. When the subject is too bright, choose a smaller aperture; when it is too dark, choose a larger aperture. When the shutter speed indication stops blinking, you can take a picture. If both shutter and aperture blink, It means that the exposure is out of metering range and unable to obtain a correct exposure even if the aperture is adjusted. Select a darker subject or use a flash if it is too dark.

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Using the Bulb Exposure Mode

Purpose

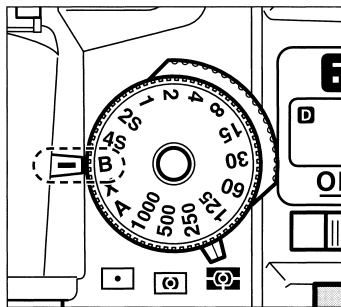
This mode is useful for the long exposures required for shooting night scenes and fireworks. The shutter remains open as long as the shutter release button is held down.

To set

1. **Set the lens aperture ring to the desired f-stop other than $\boxed{A}$ while holding down the aperture-A lock button.**

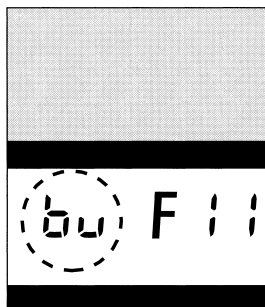
- Do not set the lens aperture ring to $\boxed{A}$. If doing so, the aperture will always closed to the maximum position.

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2. **Set the shutter speed dial to $\boxed{B}$.**

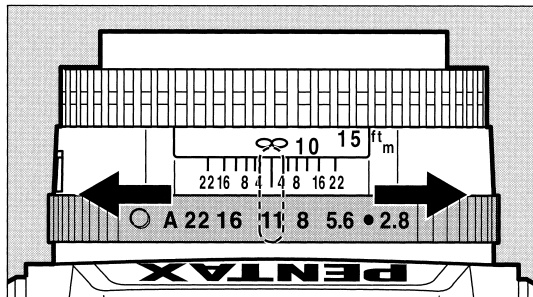
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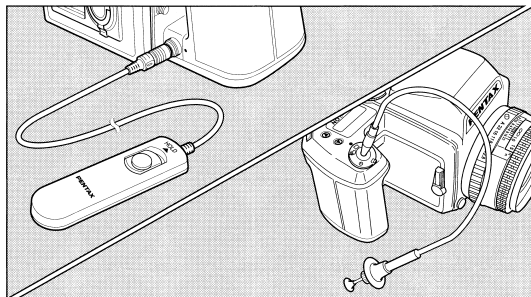
3. **An appropriate aperture will be displayed in the viewfinder when the shutter release button is pressed halfway.**

- Set the shutter speed dial to the $\boxed{B}$ position. Turn the shutter speed dial while holding down the shutter speed dial lock button.
- The approximate aperture indication appears in the viewfinder. It may not be the same indication as that you selected with the lens aperture ring especially when the A645 150mm f/3.5 or A 645 45-85mm Zoom f/4.5 is attached.

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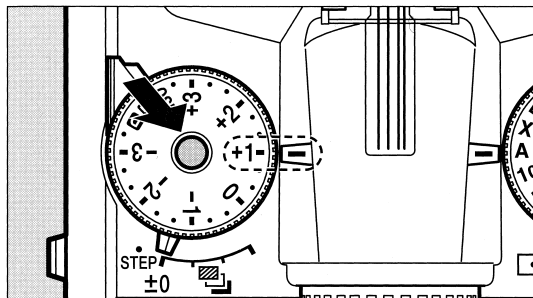
4. Adjust the desired aperture by lens aperture ring.



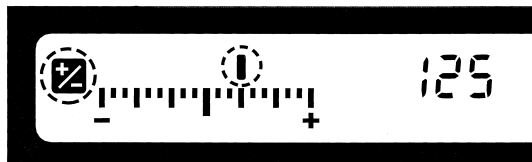
- When using this mode, use a steady tripod to prevent camera shake and attach the optional "Cable Switch CS-105 CS-130" or Release Timer Switch TS-110 after removing the Release Socket Cap.
- Up to approx. 8 hours exposure is possible with new alkaline batteries at room temperatures.

About Exposure Compensation

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Purpose

The exposure compensation allows you to deliberately overexpose (brighten) or underexpose (darken) a subject, or to compensate for difficult lighting conditions which may fool the camera's built-in exposure meter.

To set

1. Turn the exposure compensation dial to the desired compensation value.
2. The exposure compensation dial locks at the  position. To set the exposure compensation dial to a position other than the  position, turn the exposure compensation dial while holding down the exposure compensation dial release button.
3. The bar graph indicates the compensation value and  appear in the viewfinder.

- Exposure compensation does not work in the Bulb Exposure Mode.
- The exposure compensation range is -3 1/3EV to +3 1/3EV in 0.3EV step.
- The exposure compensation step can be selected from 0.3EV step to 0.5EV step with Pentax Function No.5. See page 79 for more details
- When the 0.5EV step is selected, two bars above the bar graph indicate a 0.5EV step.
- When exposure compensation is used in the Metered Manual mode, the bar above the bar graph indicates under or overexposure, it is not indicating the exposure compensation value.  is displayed.

When you take a picture that requires exposure compensation and it may be difficult to determine the correct exposure, use this mode to make three different bracketing exposures with different exposure levels.

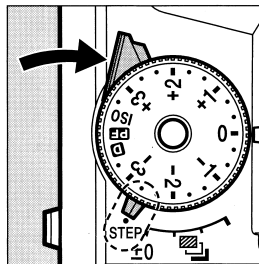
Selection of auto bracketing amount.

The auto bracketing amount can be selected from 1/3EV step or 1/2EV step.

To set

1. While holding the auto bracketing selector at the **STEP** position, press the up/down button to select the desired auto bracketing amount.
 - The bracketing amount can be set to 13 (1/3EV step) or 12 (1/2EV step).
2. Release the finger from the auto-bracketing selector. The selector returns to the ± 0 position to complete the set-bracketing amount.

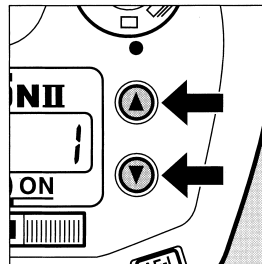
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with 1/3EV set



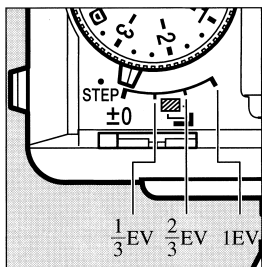
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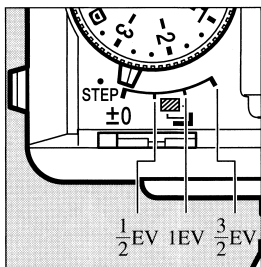
with 1/2EV set



with 1/3EV set



with 1/2EV set



1. Set the auto bracketing selector to the desired exposure compensation value.
 2. Press the shutter release button fully. Three pictures are taken consecutively according to the auto-bracketing switch you have set.
- Three pictures are taken consecutively as follows.

First picture: Correct exposure

Second picture: Underexposure

Third picture: Overexposure

- The sequence of the auto bracketing exposures can be changed with Pentax Function No.3.

- The camera automatically measures the exposure for each shot.
- The focus is locked at the first picture and remains locked until all pictures are taken.
- If you let go of the shutter release button during auto bracketing, the auto-bracketing will remain effective until the viewfinder indication goes off. After that, the camera returns to the shooting status before the first frame was taken.

Auto Bracketing Exposure Mode combined with the Exposure Compensation function.

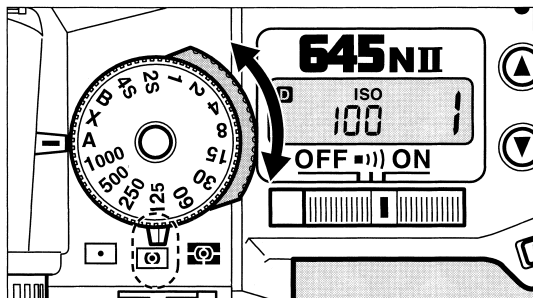
You can combine the auto bracketing exposure mode with the exposure compensation function.

The auto-bracketing will work in accordance with the exposure compensation value set.

Auto Bracketing Exposure Mode combined with the Metered Manual Mode.

You can combine the auto Bracketing exposure mode with the metered manual mode (except X sync speed).

The auto-bracketing will work with changing only the shutter speed. The bar graph of the metered manual mode is only displayed in the viewfinder. The bar graph of the exposure compensation value is not displayed.



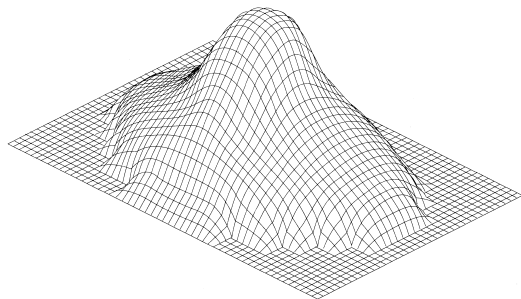
The Spot metering or Center-Weighted metering mode can also be selected in this camera. Select the desired metering mode with the metering mode selector.

Using the Center-Weighted Metering Mode

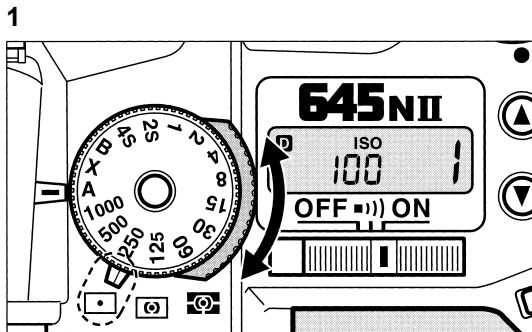
This metering system does not automatically compensate for backlit or spotlight scenes like the Multi(6)Segment Metering Mode. Creative exposure control is decided by the user.

To set

Set the metering mode selector to the  position.



- The metering pattern in the illustration above shows that the upper part of the pattern (in the center of the viewfinder) has more sensitivity to light than the lower part.
- In this metering mode, the camera does not automatically compensate the exposure in backlit or spotlighted scenes like the Multi (6)-Segment Mode. Creative exposure control is decided by the user.

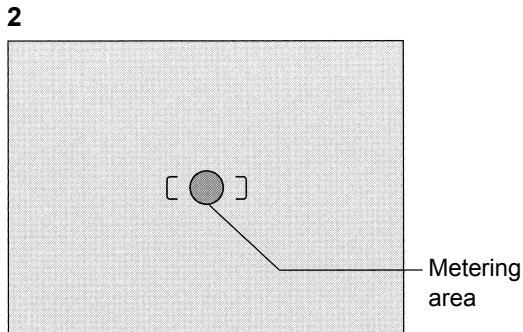


Using the Spot Metering Mode

The Spot Metering Mode measures light only in the small area in the center of the viewfinder.

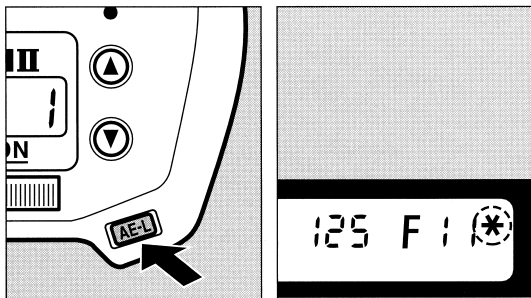
To set

1. Set the metering mode selector to



2. Measure the small area of the viewfinder as illustrated.

- If brightness is much different between the center and the other area of the photograph, exposure should be determined in consideration of the overall brightness. Otherwise, the picture will come out improperly exposed.



The AE lock function memorizes an exposure before shooting. The AE lock function is very effective when used along with the spot metering. Use the AE lock function to get a correct exposure when the subject occupies only a small part of the viewfinder.

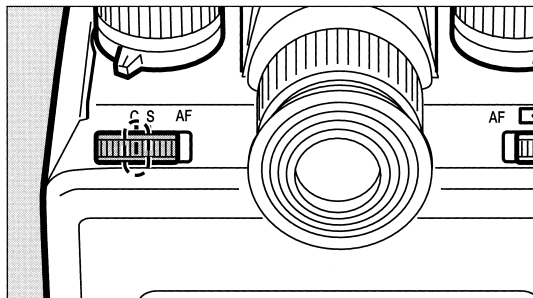
Position the area to be measured in the spot metering area and press the AE lock button. The exposure level is memorized and  is displayed in the viewfinder.

- As soon as the AE lock button  is pressed, and the camera stores the measured exposure level for 20 seconds. The AE lock function remains while the AE lock button is pressed.
- If the shutter release button is pressed halfway down while the AE lock timer is operating, the memorized meter reading will remain even if the AE lock button is released.
- The AE lock function cannot be used when the camera is set in the Metered Manual Mode.

How to cancel

To cancel the AE lock function, press the AE lock button again.

Setting the Focus Mode Switch to the Continuous Position



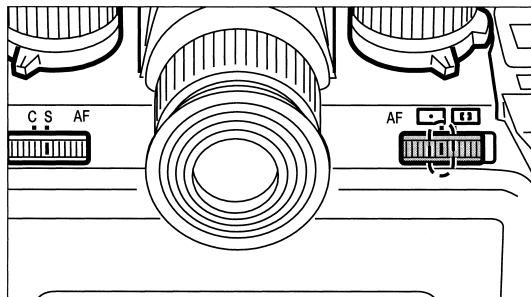
Predictive Autofocus Mode

When the camera senses subject movement during the autofocus operation, the camera will automatically switch the focus mode to the predictive autofocus mode to measure the speed of a moving subject, and predict where it will be at the moment of shutter release to maintain sharp focus on the subject. If the subject is moving too fast, the shutter may not be released.

If the shutter release button is held at the halfway position, the lens focuses continuously to follow the subject. The shutter can be released even if the subject is out of focus.

Set the focus mode switch to **C**.

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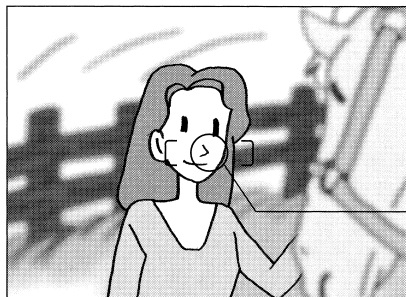


Select the Spot AF Mode to critically focus on a specific spot of the subject which is in the spot AF autofocus frame.

How to focus

1. Set the AF frame selector to .

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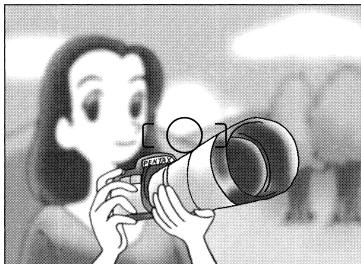
AF area

2. Focus on the main subject with the Spot AF frame.

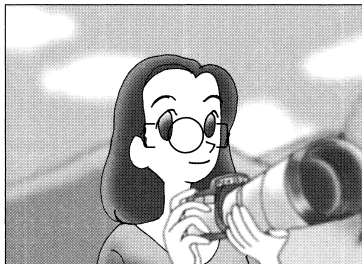
- When the main subject is off the Spot AF frame, use the focus-lock technique. See page 60.

Focus Lock Function

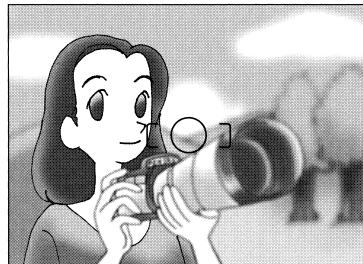
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In the Spot Metering Mode, the camera focuses with the spot metering / focusing area of the viewfinder. If you shoot without positioning the spot metering / focusing area on the main subject, the main subject will not be focused properly.

Set the AF frame selector to .

1. When the composition does not allow the autofocus frame to be placed over the most important subject, the camera will focus on the background as shown in the illustration.

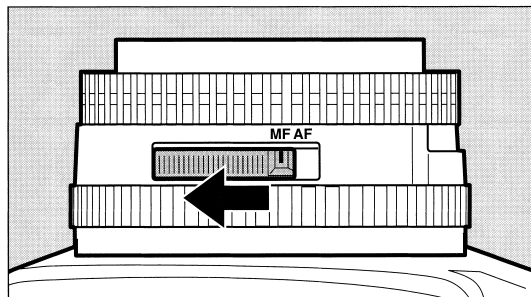
- The focus lock can be used in the 3-point AF Mode and Spot AF Mode.
- The focus lock does not operate when the AF mode selector is at .

2. To prevent this, focus on the main subject with the spot metering / focusing area. Press and hold the shutter release button halfway down. The in-focus indicator remains on, indicating that the focus is temporarily locked.

3. While holding the shutter release button halfway down, aim the camera or recompose the picture, then press the shutter release button fully to release the shutter.

- Lifting your finger off the shutter release button clears the in-focus indicator  in the viewfinder and cancels the focus lock function
- To refocus on another subject, lift your finger off the shutter release button.

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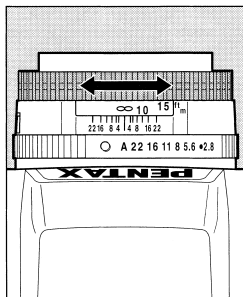
Using the in - focus indicator

How to focus

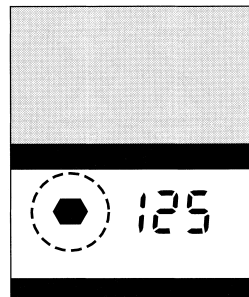
1. Set the lens in the manual focus mode.

- Switching between the autofocus and manual focus modes depends on the lens you use. For more details, read the operating manual of the lens.

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2. While looking through the viewfinder, turn the focusing ring to the right or left while holding the shutter release button halfway down.
3. When the subject comes into focus, the in-focus indicator  lights up in the viewfinder. Press the shutter release button fully to take the photograph.

- The camera is not equipped with the focus mode selector.
- When the subject comes into focus, the focus indicator  lights up in the viewfinder. An audible PCV signal can be heard if the main switch is set to the  position.

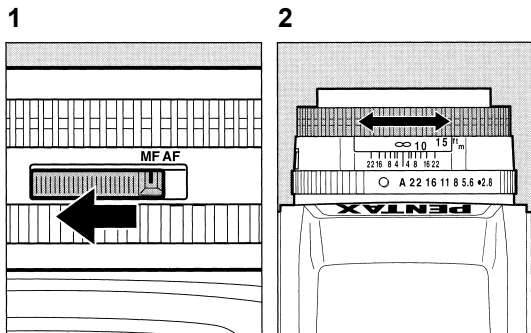
When the autofocus mode or the in-focus indicator is unsuited for focusing

When the autofocus function or the viewfinder's in-focus indicator  cannot be used when it's hard to autofocus the subject in the AF frame, focus the subject in the manual focus mode with the aid of the matte field in the viewfinder as you would with a non-AF SLR camera.

Notes on Accessories

The following conditions do not allow autofocus or manual focusing with the in-focus indicator in the viewfinder. Use the manual focus mode to focus mode to focus on the subject with the aid of the matte field surrounding the autofocus frame. See page 58 for manual focusing.

- a) When using special effect filters or "Magic Image Attachment".
- b) When using Extension Tubes or an Auto Bellows for close-up photography.



How to focus on the subject with the aid of the matte field

1. Set the lens in the manual focus position.
2. While looking through the viewfinder, turn the focusing ring to the right or left until the image in the viewfinder is clearest.

HARD-TO-AUTOFOCUS SUBJECTS

The autofocus system is highly precise, but not perfect. Depending on the brightness, contrast, shape, and size of your subject, the autofocus system may not operate. In such a case, use the focus-lock technique (see page 60) on another subject that is the same distance away, or set the lens to use the manual focus mode to focus the lens on the subject with the aid of the matte field in the viewfinder.

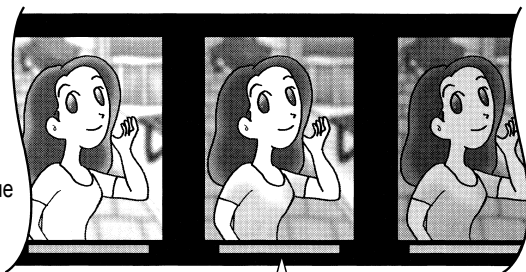
Subjects which may fool the autofocus system include:

- a) Extremely low-contrast subjects such as a white wall in the autofocus frame .
- b) Subjects which don't reflect much light in the autofocus frame .
- c) Subjects which are moving too fast.
- d) Multiple subjects in the foreground and background of the autofocus frame .
- e) Subjects positioned against reflected light or strong backlight or with extremely bright backgrounds.

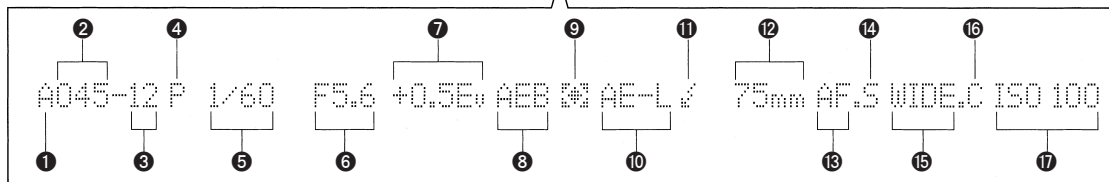
64 Imprinting the Exposure Data on the Negative

If a 645 A-or FA lens (autofocus) is attached, the camera imprints the following exposure data directly on the negative, outside of the picture frame with each exposure.

- ① Characters
- ② Number of Films
- ③ Number of Frames
- ④ Exposure Mode
- ⑤ Shutter Speed
- ⑥ Aperture Setting
- ⑦ Exposure Compensation Value
- ⑧ Auto-bracketing
- ⑨ Metering Mode

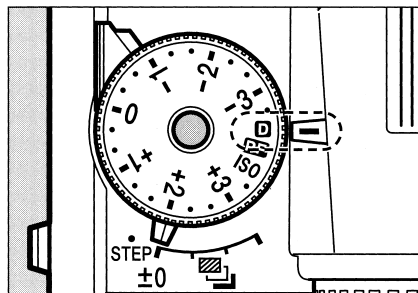


- ⑩ AE-lock
- ⑪ Flash status
- ⑫ Focal length of Lens
- ⑬ Focus mode
- ⑭ Autofocus mode
- ⑮ AF area
- ⑯ Focus point
- ⑰ Film speed

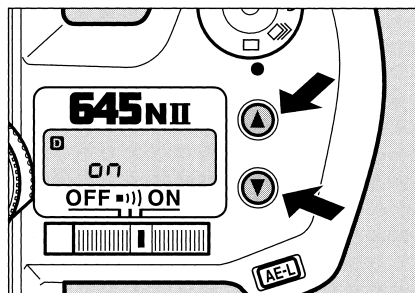


Data type	Imprinted description
Characters	Capital letter [A to G] is imprinted to identify the camera.
Number of films	[1-199] can be imprinted. Beyond 199, it returns to 1.
Number of frames	[1-95] can be imprinted.
Exposure mode	[M] (Metered Manual), [Tv] (Shutter-Priority AE), [Av] (Aperture-Priority AE) or [P] (Programmed AE) can be imprinted.
Shutter speed	[The shutter speed] displayed in the viewfinder is imprinted. For bulb exposure, up to [9999] seconds can be imprinted. Beyond 9999 seconds, [L. T.] will be in printed. [LS] is used for lens shutter, [X] for when the shutter speed dial is set to the X position.
Aperture setting	[Aperture value] displayed in the viewfinder is imprinted. When the 67 lens adapter or the 645 Helicoid Extension Tube having no lens information contacts is used, [F--] will be imprinted.
Exposure compensation value	When the exposure compensation is not enabled, $\pm 0.0\text{Ev}$ is imprinted. The exposure compensation value for the auto bracketing is also imprinted. If both auto-bracketing and exposure compensation are used, the sum is imprinted.
Auto bracketing	[AEB] is imprinted when the pictures are taken in auto bracketing mode.
Metering mode	[Multi-segment], [Center-Weighted], [Spot]
AE lock	[AE-L] is imprinted with the AE-lock function used.
Flash status	[F] is imprinted when a Pentax dedicated flash is fired.
Focal length of lens	[Focal length] is imprinted when the FA lens is attached. When the FA zoom lens is in use, [an approximate value of focal length] is imprinted. [---mm] is imprinted when an accessory such as the A-lens and rear converter is mounted.
Focus mode	[AF] is imprinted with the autofocus mode used. [MF] is imprinted with the manual focus mode used.
Autofocus mode	[S] is imprinted with Single AF mode used. [C] is imprinted with Continuous AF mode used.
AF area	[WIDE] is imprinted with the 3-point AF mode used. [SPOT] is imprinted with the spot AF mode used.
Focus point	When the 3-point AF is set, the focus point used is imprinted with L (left), R (right), or C (center).
Film speed	The film speed set from ISO 6 to 6400 is imprinted.

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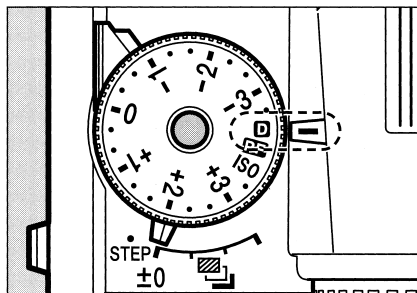
To set

1. Set the exposure compensation dial to [D]. [D] will be displayed on the LCD panel.
2. Press the up/down button repeatedly until [on] appears on the LCD panel.

If  is displayed on the LCD panel, the exposure data will be imprinted on the negative.

- With a 645 A- lens attached, the focal length of the lens will not be imprinted even if  is displayed on the LCD panel.
- With an accessory without the lens information contacts such as a helicoid extension tube attached, the focal length and aperture setting of the lens will not be imprinted even if  is displayed on the LCD panel.
- Since the exposure data are imprinted on the outside of picture frame, the data will not be seen on the actual photographs.
- The shutter cannot be released with the exposure compensation dial set to .

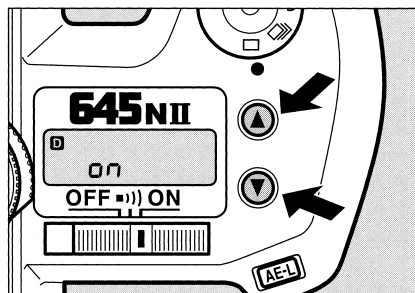
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To cancel the Exposure Data Imprint Mode

1. Set the main switch to [ON].

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2. Set the exposure compensation dial to [D].
3. Press the up/down button repeatedly to display [OFF] on the LCD panel.

Using a Pentax Dedicated External Flash

Using the TTL Auto Flash

1. Remove the hot shoe cover and attach a Pentax dedicated flash unit.
2. Turn the flash ON.
3. Set the flash to TTL Auto mode.
4. Confirm that the flash is fully charged.
5. Focus on the subject and release the shutter.

Auto Bracketing Exposure mode with a Pentax TTL dedicated flash

When the auto bracketing exposure mode is selected with a Pentax dedicated TTL flash in use, only the amount of flash output is varied.

- When the flash is fully charged, the ready lamp on the flash unit lights up. When the shutter release button is pressed halfway down,  appears in the viewfinder indicating the flash is ready.
- For more details, read the flash operating manual.

Exposure Compensation with a Pentax TTL dedicated flash

When the exposure compensation is set with a Pentax TTL flash in use, it makes possible to adjust the brightness of the background of the subject and the flash output at the same time.

AF500FTZ, AF330FTZ and AF360FGZ

- These flash units feature a built-in infrared spot-beam to assist the autofocus system in dim light and low-contrast conditions.
- The auto zoom function will automatically adjust the angle of discharge according to the lens focal length only when a 645 FA lens is in use.
- The AF500FTZ and AF360FGZ feature a wireless slave synch flash function.
- The flash effective range appears on the LCD panel only when an a 645 A- lens is in use, or FA lens is in use.
- Multiple flash burst on a single frame is possible with the AF500FTZ.
- In the Programmed AE, Shutter-Priority AE, or Aperture-Priority AE, the TTL Auto Flash Mode will be set automatically even if the flash is set to Manual.
- With AF360FGZ, the picture format size can be selected depending on the camera format being used.

AF240FT, AF400FTZ

- These flash units feature a built-in infrared spot-beam to assist the autofocus system in dim light and low-contrast conditions.
- In the Programmed AE, Shutter-Priority AE, or Aperture-Priority AE: TTL Auto Flash Mode will be set automatically even if the flash unit is set to Manual.
- When the flash unit is charged and left unused for about 5 minutes, the power will automatically be turned off to save battery power. Pressing the shutter release button halfway down will restart charging of the flash unit.

AF200T, AF220T, AF280T, and AF400T

- If the TTL auto mode is selected, these flash units can be used for daylight-sync shooting, because the shutter speed is adjusted according to the ambient brightness. The slower shutter speed varies according to the lens focal length. The shutter speed varies between 1/60 second and a lower speed which does not cause camera shake. However, when a 645 A-lens is in use, the shutter speed is set to 1/60 second. The aperture value will also be fixed but will vary depending on the ISO of the film being used.

- When using the Three-Level Auto (red, green, and yellow settings) mode, the aperture value is adjusted as shown in the table. When the flash is fully charged, the shutter speed also varies within the shutter speed range of 1/60 second to a lower speed which does not cause camera shake. The slowest shutter speed varies according to the lens focal length. When a 645A - lens is used, the shutter speed will be set to 1/60 second.

	AF200T	AF280T	AF400T
Red	f/2.8	f/4	f/4
Green	f/5.6	f/8	f/8
Yellow			f/11

with ISO 100

Multi-burst flash with the Pentax dedicated flash

When discharging more than 2 Pentax dedicated flashes, make sure that they are of the same type, combine Type A with Type B or Type C with Type D. (refer to the overview of Flash Function on page 71).

Overview of Flash Function

CAMERA FUNCTION	TYPE A	TYPE B	TYPE C	TYPE D
After the flash is charged, the camera automatically switches to the flash-sync speed.	○	○	○	○
Automatic aperture setting in the Programmed AE Mode or Shutter-Priority AE mode.	○	○	○*1	○
Flash confirmation signal in the viewfinder	○	○		
TTL auto flash	○	○	○	
Auto flash	○*2		○*3	○
Slow-speed sync in the Shutter-Priority AE Mode or Metered Manual Mode	○	○	○*4	○
AF spotbeam	○	○		
Trailing-shutter-curtain sync flash	○	○		
Contrast-control flash mode	○			

TYPE A: AF500FTZ (*3), AF360FGZ, AF330FTZ

TYPE C: AF400T, AF280T, AF220T, AF200T, AF080C, AF140C

TYPE B: AF400FTZ, AF240FT

TYPE D: AF200SA, AF201SA

Notes:

- *1. When using a Type C flash (except AF220T) in the MS (Manual Sync) or M (Manual) modes, set the camera's exposure mode to the Aperture-Priority AE Mode, Manual or Bulb. The Program and Aperture-Priority AE Modes cannot be used because the actual required aperture value may change.
- *2. AF500FTZ and AF330FTZ do not have the auto flash capability.
- *3. AF140C and AF080C do not have the auto flash capability.
- *4. In the MS (Manual Sync) or M (Manual) mode, the Shutter-Priority AE cannot be used because the actual required aperture value may change.

Using other types of a flash

- Use of non-Pentax flash units may damage the camera. For the best results, use a Pentax dedicated flash unit.
- Some large studio type flashes may have reversed contacts and may not fire with the 645_{NI} camera. For further information, contact the manufacturer or local supplier of the flash unit. Also, some studio flash units may not be synchronized properly and a part of the image could be blacked out by the second shutter curtain. It is recommended, for safety's sake, to use a shutter speed one step slower than the flash sync speed.

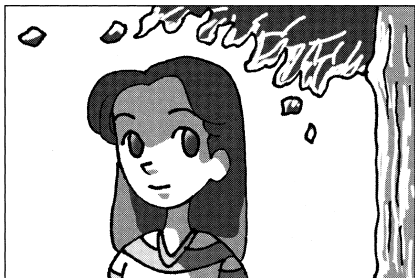
Daylight- Sync Shooting

Purpose

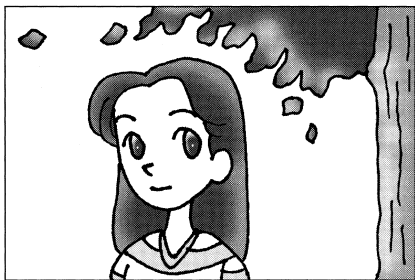
When taking a portrait in daylight, the subject's face may be covered by shadow. The use of a flash will help eliminate the unwanted shadow.

Daylight-sync photography is accomplished in the same manner as normal flash photography, so you simply press the shutter release button.

- If the background is too bright, it may be overexposed.



Without Daylight-sync



With Daylight-sync

Purpose

It is possible to balance the exposure of a foreground subject against a dimly lit background by using the flash to properly expose the foreground subject and a slow-shutter-speed to expose the low light background.

To set

With the Metered Manual Mode set

1. Turn the flash on.
2. Set the camera's exposure mode to the Metered Manual Mode.
3. Select an appropriate shutter speed (lower than 1/60 second) and aperture combination for a correct exposure.
4. Release the shutter.

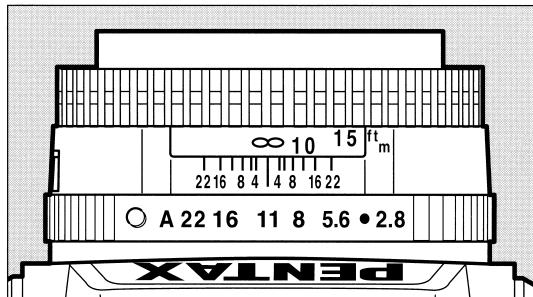
To set

With the Shutter-Priority AE Mode set

1. Set the camera's exposure mode to the Shutter-Priority AE Mode.
2. Set the desired shutter speed.
 - If the aperture in the viewfinder blinks, a correct exposure will not be obtained for the background. Adjust the shutter speed until the blinking stops.
3. Turn the flash on.
4. Take the picture.
 - If the power is on before the desired shutter speed is selected, the proper exposure for the back-ground will not be obtained. Be sure to select the shutter speed before the flash is turned on.
 - In the slow-speed-sync shooting, use of a tripod is recommended to prevent camera shake.

Using the Preview Lever

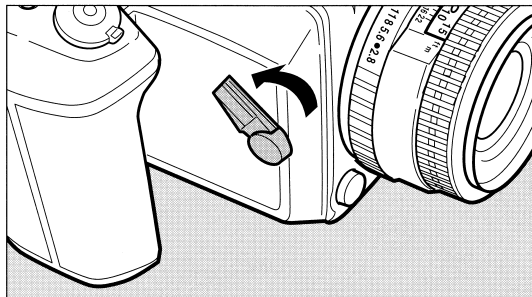
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To confirm the depth of field in the viewfinder, press the preview lever.

1. Turn the lens aperture ring to a position other than the **A** position.

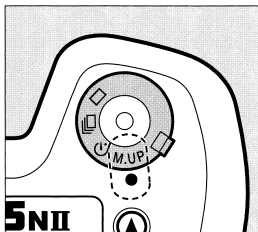
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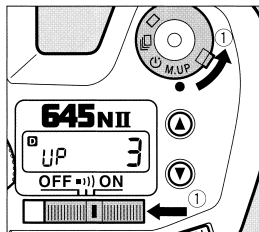
2. Press the preview lever. The aperture will stop down to the preset value, and the depth of field can be confirmed through the viewfinder.

- The lens aperture is closed down while holding the preview lever.
- The shutter cannot be released while pressing the preview lever.
- The depth of field cannot be confirmed with the lens aperture set to **A**.

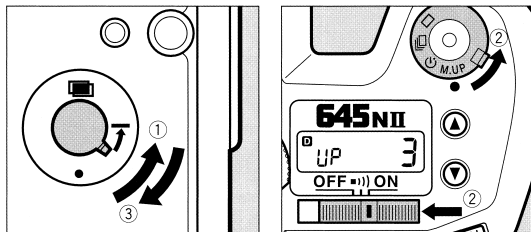
To set



To cancel 1



To cancel 2



This camera is equipped with a mirror lock-up function.

To set

1. Set the drive mode selector to **M.U.P.**.
2. Press the shutter release button fully to swing up the mirror.
3. Press the shutter release button again. The shutter is released.

- The exposure is locked just before the mirror goes up.
- The audible PCV signal's beeping can be enabled and will be heard with the drive mode selector set to **M.U.P.**.
- Mirror lockup cannot be used when using LS lenses with the lens shutter set.
- Mirror lockup cannot be operated when the batteries are exhausted or running low. The batteries run out quickly when using mirror lock-up for long hours.

To cancel

1. With the exposure mode set to the Aperture-Priority AE mode, Metered manual mode or Bulb exposure mode:

- ① Set the Drive mode selector to a position other than **M.U.P.** or set the main switch to **[OFF]**.

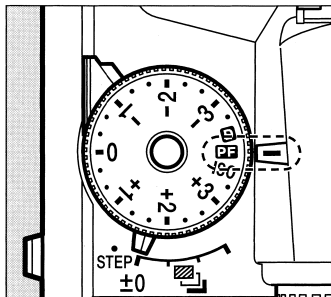
2. With the exposure mode set to the Programmed AE or Shutter- Priority AE mode:

- ① Set the multi-exposure switch to **[ON]**.
- ② Set the drive mode selector to a position other than **M.U.P.** or set the main switch to **[OFF]**.
- ③ Set the multi-exposure switch to the original position.

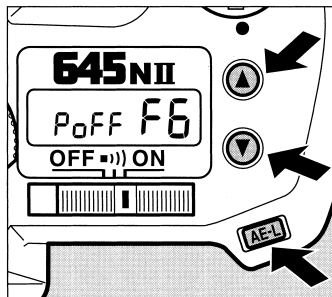
Note:

Without setting the multi-exposure switch to the **ON** position, the film is advanced by 1 frame when the mirror returns to the original position.

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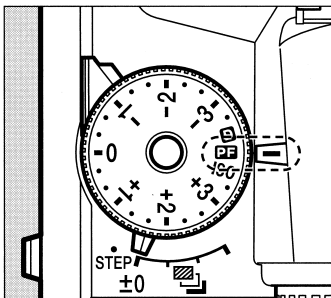
SETTING PENTAX FUNCTIONS

The camera provides 10 Pentax Functions so you can set the camera according to your preferences.

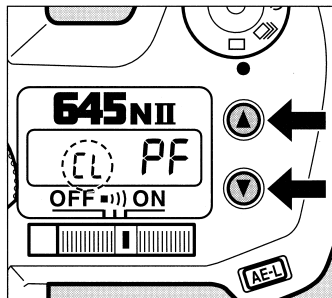
To set:

1. Turn on the camera. Set the exposure compensation dial to **PF**.
 - A Function No. and the setting content will be displayed on the LCD panel.
2. Press the up or down button to display the Pentax Function (No.0 to No.9) you want to set.
3. Press the AE lock button to select the setting content.
4. The Pentax function No. and setting content will be set when the exposure compensation dial is set to other than **PF**.
 - The shutter cannot be released with the exposure compensation dial set to **PF**.

1



2



Resetting the Pentax Function

To reset all the Pentax Functions to the initial settings.

1. Set the exposure compensation dial to **PF**.
2. Hold down the up and down buttons at the same time for more than 2 seconds. **CL** will be displayed on the LCD panel and all Pentax Functions are reset to the initial settings.

Setting Pentax Function

[PF 0] Imprinting the character (capital letters A - G)

If the imprinting is enabled, a capital letter can be imprinted on the negative.

If the user has more than two cameras, a different letter can be set to identify which camera was used with the film.

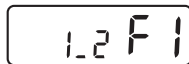
Pentax Function No.0

[PF 1] Setting the shutter speed step

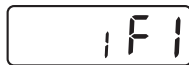
For use with the Shutter-Priority AE or Metered Manual Mode set, the shutter speed step can be set to either 0.5 or 1 EV step.

Pentax Function No.1

1/2EV step (initial setting)



1.0EV step (follows the shutter speed dial)

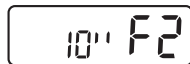


[PF 2] Setting the metering timer

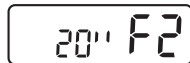
The metering will stay on for 10 seconds but can be changed to 20 or 30 seconds.

Pentax Function No.2

10 seconds (initial setting)



20 seconds



30 seconds



[PF 3] Setting the auto-bracketing sequence

You can set the sequence of the auto-bracketing exposures.

Pentax Function No.3

Proper exposure →

Under exposure →

Over exposure



Under exposure →

Proper exposure →

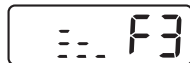
Over exposure



Over exposure →

Proper exposure →

Under exposure

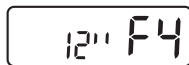


[PF 4] Setting the self-timer delay time

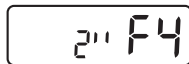
The self-timer delay time can be set to 12 sec. or 2 sec. If the 2 sec. self-timer is set, the mirror is locked up when the shutter release button is pressed and the shutter will be released after 2 seconds.

Pentax Function No.4

Self-timer delay of 12 sec.
(initial setting)



Self-timer delay of 2 sec.
with mirror lock-up

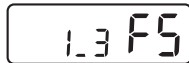
**[PF 5] Setting the exposure compensation step**

Set the exposure compensation step 1/3EV or 1/2EV step.

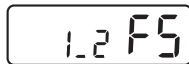
Pentax Function No.5

Selecting an exposure compensation step of 0.3EV or 0.5EV

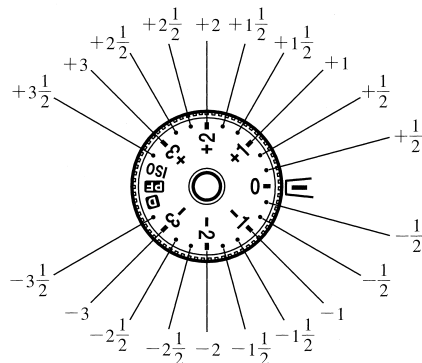
1/3EV (initial setting)



1/2EV



With the exposure compensation step is set to 1/2
Exposure compensation can only be set to 1/2 step even
if the exposure compensation dial is set to 1/3 or 2/3 step.



In the viewfinder, when the 1/2 step is set, two bars are
displayed on the bar graph.



[PF 6] Enabling/disabling the program line for shifting.

The program line of Programmed AE Mode can be shifted according to your shooting preferences.

Pentax Function No.6

Disabling the programmed line shift (initial setting)

P_{OFF} F6

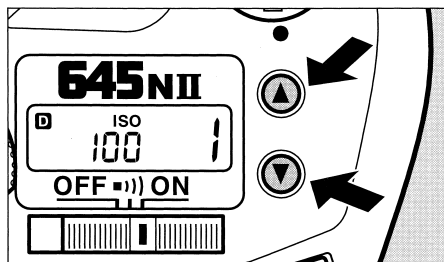
Enabling the programmed line shift

P_{ON} F6

With the programmed line shift enabled

The programmed line is shifted 0.5EV step each time the up/down button is pressed.

Holding the button will shift the program line continuously.



- The shutter speed increases and the aperture opens up by pressing the up button. Conversely, the shutter speed decreases and the aperture closes down by pressing the down button.
- The shifted shutter speed and aperture value are displayed in the viewfinder.
- To cancel the program shift, set the main switch to OFF or change the exposure mode.

[PF 7] Setting the frame counter indication

The frame counter can be set to a count-up indication or to a count-down indication.

Pentax Function No.7

Count-up indication
(initial setting)

0 _ _ F7

Count-down indication

_ _ 0 F7

[PF 8] Enabling/disabling the display of the number of films taken and frame counter in the viewfinder

The number of films taken and the frame counter are displayed in the viewfinder while holding the Auto-bracketing selector to the **STEP** position.

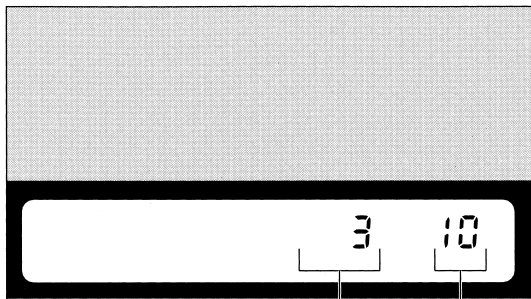
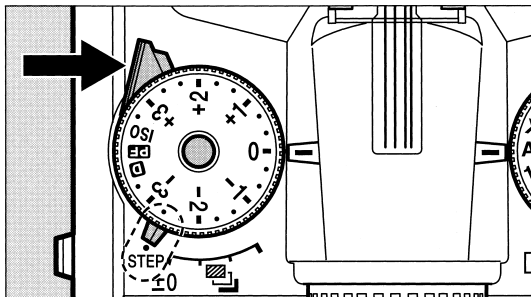
Pentax Function No.8

Disabling the display in the viewfinder (initial setting)

CoFF F8

Enabling the display in the viewfinder

Con F8



Number of films

Number of frames

How to display

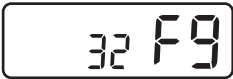
Hold the auto-bracketing selector to the **STEP** position. The total number of films taken and the current exposure counter are displayed in the viewfinder.

[PF9] Changing the number of frames taken

Changes the number of recordable frames when a 120 film or 220 film is used.

Pentax Function No.9

The number of recordable frames shown on the LCD panel is varied according to the type of the film holder attached.

LCD panel indication		Setting contents
With 120 film attached	With 220 film attached	
		15 or 32 frames (initial setting) With 120 film holder ... 15 frames With 220 film holder ... 32 frames
		16 or 33 frames With 120 film holder ... 16 frames With 220 film holder ... 33 frames

- With 16 or 33 frames set, focus may deteriorate on the 2nd frame taken in the Consecutive-frame mode.
- The number of frames taken can be changed before the 1st frame is taken. After the 1st frame is taken, the number of frames cannot be changed until the film is removed.

A number of dedicated accessories are available for this camera.

- **Cable Switch CS-105/CS-130**

A shutter release cord designed for use with the 645_{NII} and MZ-S. The cable length of CS-105 and CS-130 is 50cm and 3m respectively.

- **Release Timer Switch TS-110**

A dedicated shutter release device for interval and timer shooting with 645_{NII} and MZ-S.

- **Magnifier 645**

A viewfinder accessory for magnifying the central area of the viewfinder.

- **Refconverter A**

A right angle finder which attaches the viewfinder. The viewfinder magnification can be switched from 1X to 2X.

- **AF500FTZ**

A TTL Auto Zoom flash with a built-in AF spotbeam and a large guide number of 50 (ISO 100/m). It features slave-sync flash function, multiple-flash burst, contrast-control-sync flash and leading/trailing-curtain-sync flash mode.

- **AF360FTZ**

A P-TTL and TTL auto zoom flash with a built-in AF spotbeam and a guide number of 36 (ISO 100/m). It features a bounce-flash capability, slave-sync flash function, contrast control-sync flash, leading/trailing-curtain-sync flash and modeling flash mode.

- **AF330FTZ**

A TTL Auto Zoom flash with a built-in AF spotbeam and a guide number of 33 (ISO 100/m). It features contrast-control-sync flash sync and leading/trailing-curtain-sync flash mode.

- **AF220T**

A TTL Auto flash with a guide number of 22 (ISO 100/m). It features a bounce-flash capability.

- **Hot Shoe Adapter FG, Extension Cord F5P (L) and Off-Camera-Shoe Adapter.**

The adapters and cord allow the AF240FT, AF330FTZ, AF360FGZ, AF400FTZ and AF500FTZ to be used off the camera, while maintaining full electronic coupling to the camera.

- **Macro Flash AF140C**

A TTL macro flash unit with a guide number of 14 (ISO 100/m).

- **Filters**

Skylight, Cloudy, UV, Y2, O2, R2, and Circular Polarizing Filter are available. Each filter is available in sizes of 49mm, 52mm, 67mm and 77mm.

- **Remote Battery Pack 645**

The remote battery pack is an accessory to keep batteries warm when photographing in extremely low temperatures.

- **Film back 645**

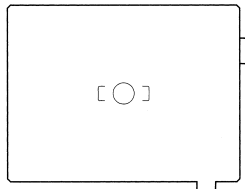
120 film back and 220 film back are available.

- **Quick Shoe Adapter QS-20/Quick Shoe Base QS-B1**

The camera can be attached or removed from the tripod in seconds.

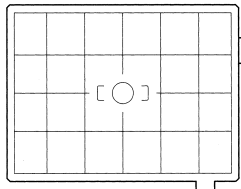
• Interchangeable screen

Four types of focusing screens including the standard focusing screen are available. (Please refer to the instruction sheets supplied with each screen for changing instructions.)



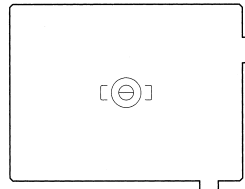
AS-80 (AF Center Spot Matte)

The standard focusing screen for general photography.



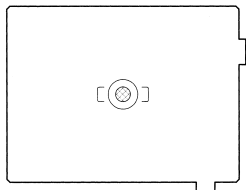
AG-80 (AF Cross-Lined Matte)

Designed to guide picture compositions. (9mm grid)



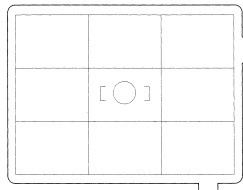
AB-82 (AF Sprit-Image Matte)

Matte screen with the spirit image.



AA-82 (AF Microprism Matte)

For general use, the matte screen with the microprism.



AL-80 (AF 9-Segment Matte)

Designed to guide picture compositions.
Nine rectangular areas divided by vertical/horizontal lines.

Notes on Accessories

When using an ordinary polarizing filter, a half mirror incorporated into the autofocus system reduces the effectiveness of the autofocus function when used in combination with an ordinary polarizing filter. Use a circular polarizing filter for proper autofocus operation.

Double Cable Release

When using the Auto Bellows 645 with this camera, the double cable release A is required for releasing the shutter. If your Auto Bellows 645 does not include the double cable release A, the double cable release A is available as an optional accessory.

How to attach

1. Attach the double cable release so that the end with the red end ring of the double cable release is connected to the socket with the red ring in the lower part of the front board of the Auto Bellows 645.
2. Connect the other end to the shutter release button.

Adjust the double cable release so that when the double cable release is pushed, the shutter is released after the lens is fully stopped down. If the shutter is released before the aperture is fully stopped down, adjust the cable by extending the end with the red ring or shortening the other end connected to the shutter button.

Adjustment procedures

To extend the length, turn the knurled front ring to the left (when viewed from the top), and then turn the back knurled ring to the left (when viewed from the top) while holding the front ring.

To shorten the length, turn the back knurled ring to the right (when viewed from the top), and then turn the front knurled ring to the right while holding the back knurled ring.

Troubleshooting

What appears troublesome may be easily remedied. Here are some problems that may occur and their remedies. Before contacting a Pentax service center, check the following items.

Symptoms	Causes	Remedies	Reference
The shutter cannot be released.	The last frame is exposed and wound onto the take-up spool.	Remove the film from the film back.	P.25
	The main switch is set to OFF .	Set the main switch to ON .	P.14
	The battery warning  appears.	Replace the batteries.	P.12
	The self-timer mode is being set.	Cancel the self-timer mode.	P.35
	The exposure compensation dial is being set to D, PF or ISO.	Turn the exposure compensation dial to a position other than D, PF or ISO.	P.24, P.66, P.76
The frame counter does not indicate  .	The shutter release button is not pressed after loading the film.	Press the shutter release button after loading the film.	P.20
Indicators do not appear on the LCD panel.	The main switch is set to OFF .	Turn the main switch to ON .	P.14
	No batteries are installed.	Install the batteries.	P.12
	The batteries are improperly installed	Install the batteries properly.	P.12
	The batteries are dead.	Replace the batteries.	P.12
The camera does not focus.	AF frame is not placed over the subject.	Move the camera until the AF frame  covers the subject.	P.36
	The subject is too close.	Increase the camera-to-subject distance.	P.36
	The focus mode is set to [MF].	Set the lens in the autofocus position.	P.32
	The subject is difficult to autofocus.	Use the focus lock or focus manually using the matte field.	P.60, P.62

Symptoms	Causes	Remedies	Reference
 blinks in the viewfinder.	The subject is too close or difficult to autofocus.	Use the focus-lock technique or focus manually using the matte field.	P.62, P.63
 blinks on the LCD panel.	The camera may be defective.	- Press the mid-roll wind-up button to wind the film, then consult your Pentax distributor or authorized Pentax repair shop.  indication stays on and battery warning  blinks even if the mid-roll wind-up button is pressed. In this situation, replace the batteries and press the mid-roll wind button again.	

Specifications

Type: _____	TTL autofocus, auto-exposure 6 × 4.5 format SLR camera
Format: _____	56 × 41.5mm
Usable Film: _____	120 roll film (16 exposures) with 120 film holder, 220 roll film (33 exposures) with 220 film holder and 70mm roll film (about 95 exposures) with 70mm film holder
Usable Film Speed: _____	ISO 12 - 6400
Exposure Modes: _____	Programmed AE Mode, Shutter-Priority AE Mode, Aperture-Priority AE Mode, Metered Manual Mode, Bulb Mode, TTL Flash Mode
Shutter: _____	Electronically-controlled vertical-run cloth focal-plane shutter, Speed range: (1) Auto 1/1000-30 sec. (stepless), (2) Manual 1/1000-6 sec.(3) Bulb,
Lens Mount: _____	Pentax 645 AF mount (645 A-mount with AF coupler, lens information contacts)
Compatible Lens: _____	Pentax 645 AF mount, Pentax 645 A-mount
Autofocus System: _____	TTL phase-matching multi-(3 points) autofocus system switchable to Spot focusing, AF operational brightness range: EV - 1 to 18 (at ISO 100), Focus lock available using shutter release button, Focus Mode: Continuous (predictive AF provided), Single, Manual [MF]
Viewfinder: _____	Keplerian telescopic viewfinder with Natural-Bright-Matte focusing screen (Interchangeable focusing screens available), Field of view: 92% vertical and 93% horizontal, Magnification: 0.76X (with 75mm lens at infinity), Diopter:-3.5 to + 1.5m ⁻¹ , 3-point AF frame, Spot AF frame, Spot AF range
Viewfinder Indication: _____	Focus Information: In-focus (Green lamp  is lit), front or back focus signals and unable-to-focus indicator (Green lamp blinks), Shutter speed indication, Aperture indication, Flash ready indication  is lit, Bar graph (exposure compensation), Auto bracketing indicator, Over or Under exposure indication in Manual Exposure Mode,  exposure compensation indication,  AE lock indicator
External LCD panel Indication: —	 = possible to imprint exposure data,  =Battery exhaustion warning, Film speed, ISO indication, Film counter
Self-timer: _____	Electronically-controlled type with delay time of 12 sec. or 2 sec. delay when mirror lock-up in use. Start by pressing of shutter release button, Operation confirmation: By PCV beep tone. Cancelable after operation

Mirror: _____	Instant-return mirror with AF secondary mirror. Mirror lock-up is possible.
Film Loading: _____	120 and 220 films semi-automatically loaded with a start mark, 70mm film automatically loaded
Film Winding: _____	Auto film winding by built-in motor with single/consecutive mode, Approx.2.0 frames/sec.(consecutive mode)
Exposure Meter: _____	TTL dual six-segment metering, Metering range from EV2 to EV21 at ISO100 with 75mm f/2.8 lens, Center-weighted and Spot metering mode can be set
Exposure Compensation: _____	±3.3EV in 0.3EV step increments
Multiple Exposure: _____	Via Multi-exposure switch
Auto bracketing: _____	1/3EV step increments, 2/3EV step increments, 1EV step increments, Possible to use with exposure compensation
Flash sync: _____	Via Hot shoe with X-sync. contact with couples with Pentax dedicated auto flashes, X-sync speed at 1/60 sec., Slow shutter speed synchronization possible in Metered Manual Mode, X-sync. socket is provided, ISO range=25-800
Exposure Data Imprinting: _____	Possible to imprint the exposure data on the outside of the picture frame. Characters, number of films, frame number, exposure mode, shutter speed, aperture value, exposure compensation, metering mode and focal length
Pentax Function: _____	10 user defined functions
Power Source: _____	Six AA-size 1.5V batteries (Alkaline or Lithium battery), an optional Remote battery pack 645 is attachable with connecting the power cord.
Battery Exhaustion Warning: _____	Battery exhaustion symbol  is lit (blinking when the shutter is locked; no indication in the viewfinder.)
Dimensions and Weight: _____	147.0mm(W) × 109.0mm(H) × 117mm(D) (5.8" × 4.3" × 4.6") 1280g (45.2 oz) body only without batteries.
Supplied Accessories: _____	Body mount cap 645, Rear body cap 645, Release socket cap, Strap D, Large eye cap 645, and Hot shoe cover FK.

Warranty Policy

All Pentax cameras purchased through authorized bona fide photographic distribution channels are guaranteed against defects of material or workmanship for a period of twelve months from date of purchase. Service will be rendered, and defective parts will be replaced without cost to you within that period, provided the equipment does not show evidence of impact, sand or liquid damage, mishandling, tampering, battery or chemical corrosion, operation contrary to operating instructions, or modification by an unauthorized repair shop. The manufacturer or its authorized representatives shall not be liable for any repair or alterations except those made with its written consent and shall not be liable for damages from delay or loss of use or from other indirect or consequential damages of any kind, whether caused by defective material or workmanship or otherwise; and it is expressly agreed that the liability of the manufacturer or its representatives under all guarantees or warranties, whether expressed or implied, is strictly limited to the replacement of parts as herein before provided. No refunds will be made on repairs by non-authorized Pentax service facilities.

Procedure During 12-month Warranty Period.

Any Pentax which proves defective during the 12-month warranty period should be returned to the dealer from whom you purchased the equipment or to the manufacturer. If there is no representative of the manufacturer in your country, send the equipment to the manufacturer, with postage prepaid. In this case, it will take a considerable length of time before the equipment can be returned to you owing to the complicated customs procedures required. If the equipment is covered by warranty, repairs will be made and parts replaced free of charge, and the equipment will be returned to you upon completion of servicing. If the equipment is not covered by warranty, regular charges of the manufacturer or of its representatives will apply. Shipping charges are to be borne by the owner. If your Pentax was purchased outside of the country where you wish to have it serviced during the warranty period, regular handling and servicing fees may be charged by the manufacturer's representatives in that country. Notwithstanding this, your Pentax returned to the manufacturer will be serviced free of charge according to this procedure and warranty policy.

In any case, however, shipping charges and customs clearance fees to be borne by the sender. To prove the date of your purchase when required, please keep the receipt or bills covering the purchase of your equipment for at least a year. Before sending your equipment for servicing, please make sure that you are sending it to the manufacturer's authorized representatives or their approved repair shops. Unless you are sending it directly to the manufacturer. Always obtain a quotation for the service charge, and only after you accept the quoted service charge, instruct the service station to proceed with the servicing.

The local warranty policies available from Pentax distributors in some countries can supersede this warranty policy. Therefore, we recommend that you review the warranty card supplied with your product at the time of purchase, or contact the PENTAX distributor in your country for more information and to receive a copy of the warranty policy.

For Customers in USA

STATEMENT OF FCC COMPLIANCE

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.

Changes 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 not 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. Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

For Customers in Canada

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

Pour les utilisateurs au Canada

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





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