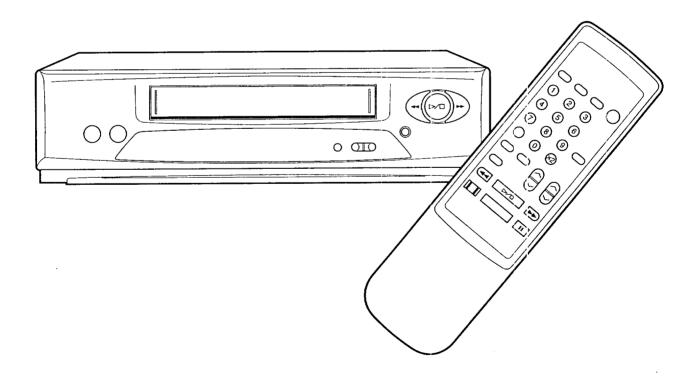
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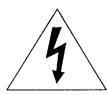
# Video Cassette Recorder Owner's Guide





This Video Cassette Recorder is based on the VHS format. Only video cassette tapes with the **VHS** mark may be used with this model.





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

# **IMPORTANT:**

RECORDING OF COPYRIGHTED TELEVISION PROGRAMS MAY VIOLATE COPYRIGHT LAW.

# WARNING:

TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE OR ELECTRIC SHOCK, DO NOT EXPOSE THIS PEODUCT TO RAIN OR MOISTURE.

# **CAUTION:**

TO PREVENT ELECTRIC SHOCK HAZARD, DO NOT USE THIS (POLARIZED) PLUG WITH AN EXTENSION CORD, RECEPTACLE OR OTHER OUTLET UNLESS THE BLADES CAN BE FULLY INSERTED TO PREVENT BLADE EXPOSURE.

# NOTE TO CATV SYSTEM INSTALLER:

THIS REMINDER IS PROVIDED TO CALL THE CATV SYSTEM INSTALLER'S ATTENTION TO SECTION 820-40 OF THE NEC WHICH PROVIDES GUIDELINES FOR PROPER GROUNDING AND, IN PARTICULAR, SPECIFIES THAT THE CABLE GROUND SHALL BE CONNECTED TO THE GROUNDING SYSTEM OF THE BUILDING, AS CLOSE TO THE POINT OF CABLE ENTRY AS PRACTICAL.

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# IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

PLEASE READ ALL THESE INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING YOUR VCR AND RETAIN FOR FUTURE REFERENCE. FOLLOW ALL WARNINGS AND INSTRUCTIONS MARKED ON THE VCR.

- 1. Read Instructions All the safety and operating instructions should be read before the product is operated.
- 2. Retain Instructions The safety and operating instructions should be retained for future reference.
- 3. Heed Warnings All warnings on the product and in the operating instructions should be adhered to.
- 4. Follow Instructions All operating and use instructions should be followed.
- 5. Cleaning Unplug this product from the wall outlet before cleaning. Do not use liquid cleaners or aerosol cleaners. Use a damp cloth for cleaning.
- 6. Attachments Do not use attachments not recommended by the product manufacturer as they may cause hazards.
- 7. Water and Moisture Do not use this product near water — for example, near a bath tub, wash bowl, kitchen sink, or laundry tub, in a wet basement, or near a swimming pool, and the like.
- 8. Accessories
  - Do not place this product on an unstable • cart, stand, tripod, bracket, or table. The product may fall, causing serious injury to a child or adult, and serious damage to the product. Use only with a cart, stand, tripod, bracket, or table recommended by the manufacturer, or sold with the product. Any mounting of the product should follow the manufacturer's instructions, and should use a mounting accessory recommended by the manufacturer.
- 9. A product and cart combination should be moved with care. Quick stops, excessive force, and uneven surfaces may cause the product and cart combination to overturn.



#### 10. Ventilation

Slots and openings in the cabinet are provided for ventilation and to ensure reliable operation of the product and to protect it from overheating, and these openings must not be blocked or covered. The openings should never be blocked by placing the product on a bed, sofa, rug, or other similar surface. This product should not be placed in a built-in installation such as a bookcase or rack unless proper ventilation is provided or the manufacturer's instructions have been adhered to.

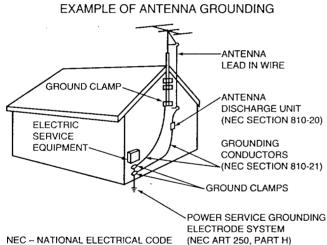
11. Power Sources

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

12. Grounding or Polarization This product may be equipped with a polarized alternating current line plug (a plug having one blade wider than the other). This plug will fit into the power outlet only one way. This is a safety feature. If you are unable to insert the plug fully into the outlet, try reversing the plug. If the plug should still fail to fit, contact your electrician to replace your obsolete outlet. Do not defeat the safety purpose of the polarized plug.

- 13. Power-Cord Protection
  - Power-supply cords should be routed so that they are not likely to be walked on or pinched by items placed upon or against them, paying particular attention to cords at plugs, convenience receptacles, and the point where they exit from the product.
- 14. Outdoor Antenna Grounding If an outside antenna or cable system is connected to the product, be sure the antenna or cable system is grounded so as to provide some protection against voltage surges and built-up static charges.

Article 810 of the National Electrical Code, ANSI/NFPA 70, provides information with regard to proper grounding of the mast and supporting structure, grounding of the lead-in wire to an antenna discharge unit, size of grounding conductors, location of antenna-discharge unit, connection to grounding electrodes, and requirements for the grounding electrode.



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15. Lightning

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

16. Power Lines

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

#### 17. Overloading

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

- 18. Object and Liquid Entry Never push objects of any kind into this product through openings as they may touch dangerous voltage points or shortout parts that could result in a fire or electric shock. Never spill liquid of any kind on the product.
- 19. Servicing

Do not attempt to service this product yourself as opening or removing covers may expose you to dangerous voltage or other hazards. Refer all servicing to qualified service personnel.

- 20. Damage Requiring Service Unplug this product from the wall outlet and refer servicing to qualified service personnel under the following conditions:
  - (a) When the power-supply cord or plug is damaged.
  - (b) If liquid has been spilled, or objects have fallen into the product.
  - (c) If the product has been exposed to rain or water.
  - (d) If the product does not operate normally by following the operating instructions. Adjust only those controls that are covered by the operating instructions as an improper adjustment of other controls may result in damage and will often require extensive work by a qualified technician to restore the product to its normal operation.
  - (e) If the product has been dropped or damaged in any way.
  - When the product exhibits a distinct (f)change in performance - this indicates a need for service.

21. Replacement Parts

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

22. Safety Check

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

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

#### CONDENSATION

Leave the VCR on, without a tape in it, for 2 hours if the VCR has been exposed to sudden changes in temperature. Sudden temperature changes cause moisture to form on the metal parts inside the VCR. This moisture can cause the tape to stick and damage the head. Leaving the VCR on for a 2 hour period will dry the inside of the VCR.

#### **PROTECT THE POWER CORD**

Do not damage the power cord. Damage to the power cord may cause a fire or shock hazard. When unplugging the power cord, please hold it by the plug and remove it carefully.

# DO NOT PLACE HEAVY OBJECTS ON THE RECORDER

Heavy objects placed on the recorder will cause damage. (This does not mean your cable box). The top of the recorder is also slotted to provide ventilation. Do not obstruct these ventilation slots.

#### WHEN NOT IN USE

When you finish operating the recorder, always unload the cassette and turn OFF the VCR POWER.

#### CARE OF THE VIDEO CASSETTE TAPES

- Avoid violent vibration or shock.
- Do not place in a location where strong magnetic fields exist (near a motor, transformer or magnet).
- Never place or store in direct sunlight.
- · Avoid dusty places.
- Place the cassette in the cassette case and store vertically.
- Never store tape in a high humidity location.

#### INFORMATION

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

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

Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

If necessary, the user should consult the dealer or an experienced radio/television technician for additional suggestions. The user may find the following booklet prepared by the Federal Communications Commission helpful:

"How to Identify and Resolve Radio-TV Interference Problems."

This booklet is available from the US Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C., 20402, Stock No. 004-000-00345-4.



Congratulations on your purchase of this Mitsubishi Video Cassette Recorder. Your new VCR produces superior sound and a high resolution VHS picture available. It includes VHS Hi-Fi audio recording and playback, delivering compact disc-quality audio.

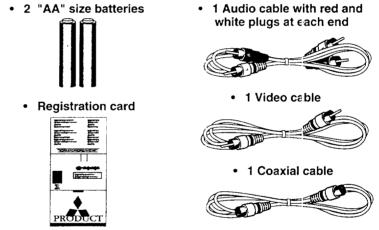
Your owner's guide has been designed with easy-to-follow explanations and directions. In addition, your VCR comes with Mitsubishi's exclusive View on screen operating system. This system has been developed to simplify the operation of your VCR with clear, understandable language and design.

Thank you for selecting our product and welcome to Mitsubishi.

# Unpacking Your VCR

items are included:

As you unpack your new VCR, please make sure the following



If any of these items are missing, please contact your dealer.

A few suggestions:

Be sure to save the box and packing material your VCR came in. Your VCR should always be transported in this box.

Before you hook up your VCR, please take a few minutes to:
complete the registration card and send it back to us

- immediately,
- file your sales receipt in a safe place, and
- place the VCR on a stable surface with sufficient lighting to do the hook-up.

**Important:** Never place any heavy objects on top of the VCR. Do not place the VCR on top of the television.

Remote control





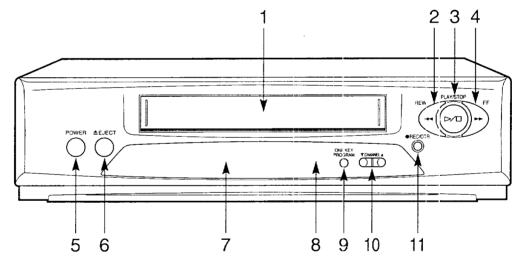
Now that you have unpacked your player and read through the safety information, it's time to become familiar with the buttons and controls.

If you are experienced with using VCRs, you may just want to glance at this section and refer to it later. If VCRs are new to you, you may want to take your time and become familiar with the locations of all the controls.

On the following pages, you'll find information on:

- Front Panel Buttons and Functions
- Fluorescent Display
- Overview of the Remote Control
- Rear Panel Terminals

# Front Panel Buttons and Functions



#### (1) cassette slot

This is where you put the video cassette.

#### (2) rewind and reverse search button (REW)

Press to rewind a tape or to reverse search. You can also use this button to control the playback speed of a tape.

③ play and stop button (PLAY/STOP) Press this button to play a tape and press again to stop the tape. Also press to stop tape related functions or to resume normal playback from special effects.

#### (4) fast forward and fast forward search button (FF)

Press this button to fast forward a tape or to fast forward search. You can also use this to control the playback speed of a tape.

(5) power button (POWER) Press this button to turn the VCR on or off. You must turn the VCR off after you have programmed it to record.

# eject button (EJECT)Press this button to eject the cassette.

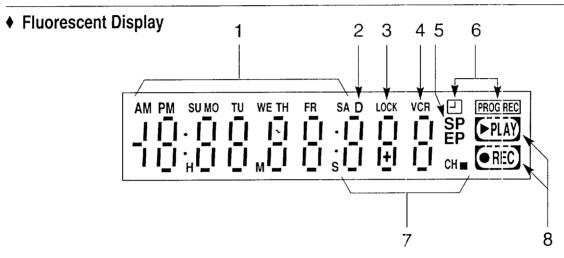
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- ⑦ fluorescent display See the next section.
- (8) remote control sensor This receives signals from the remote control. Do not block it.
- (9) one key program button (ONE KEY PROGRAM) Press to program the VCR to record.

# channel buttons (CHANNEL) Press these buttons to change channels. Also use these buttons to adjust tracking and picture vibration.

#### (1) record button (REC/OTR)

Press this button once to record until the end of the tape. Press repeatedly to set the time for One-Touch Recording (OTR).



(1) **counter/present time/remaining display** This area displays: the current time; a time counter showing how long the tape has run; the amount of time remaining on the tape; or the contents of a programmed recording when you are programming your VCR.

The current time is displayed when the VCR is turned off or when you press the DIS-PLAY button. The counter is automatically set to "0H00M00s" when a new tape is loaded. The counter will display "- H - - M - - s" when ho tape is in the VCR.

#### 2 digital tracking light (D)

This will flash when you first play a new cassette, indicating that the VCR is adjusting the tracking. When tracking is finished, it will glow steadily. If you adjust the tracking manually, it will turn off.

#### **③** lock light (LOCK)

This lights up when the "Child Lock" feature is in use.

#### (4) VCR light (VCR)

This will light up when the VCR/TV button

is set to "VCR." It indicates that the antenna signal is being routed through the VCR's tuner.

#### **(5)** tape speed lights (SP, EP)

This will light to indicate the tape speed you are using when playing or recording. "SP" indicates standard play; "EP" indicates extended play.

#### 6 programmed recording light

This lights up when the VCR is off and you have programmed the VCR to record.

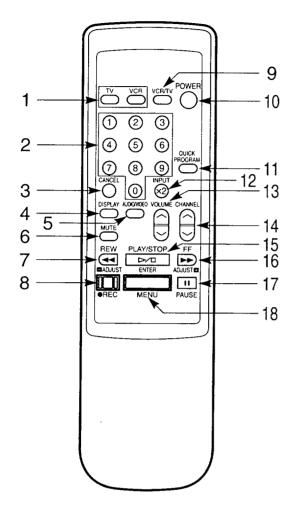
#### (7) channel display

This displays the cable and broadcast channel, or input you have selected. The cable tuning light  $(\blacksquare)$  will light up when the VCR is receiving cable broadcasts.

(8) play and record light and cassette status symbol

These light up when the VCR is playing a tape or recording. The symbol ([\_\_\_]) will light up when a tape is in the VCR. The dashes in the center of the symbol simulate the movement of the tape when playing and recording.

### Overview of the Remote Control



 TV and VCR buttons (TV, VCR) In addition to operating your VCR, your VCR remote control can be used to operate most of the functions of many brands of televisions. Press the VCR button to use the remote to operate the VCR. After setting up your remote for your particular brand of television, press the TV button to use the remote to operate your television. See your TV owner's guide for more information about operating your TV.

#### 2 number buttons

Use these buttons to select TV stations or to set Quick searching time.

#### ③ cancel button (CANCEL)

Use this button to cancel selections on the on-screen menus or to reset the counter display to "0H00M00s."

#### (d) display button (DISPLAY)

Press this button to display the following information on the television:

- how much time has elapsed on the current tape,
- the channel number and audio reception mode you are watching,
- the audio channel(s) you selected during playback,
- the source that is supplying the VCR with a signal,
- the present time,
- whether the VCR is stopped, playing, or recording, and

• how much time is left on the tape. This button can also be used to turn on and off the "Child Lock." feature.

(5) function button (AUDIO/VIDEO) Press this button to adjust the VCR's audio and video functions.

#### 6 mute button (MUTE)

Press this button to turn off the sound completely or to restore it to its previous volume.

rewind, reverse search and adjust
 button (REW, ADJUST)

Press this button to rewind a tape or to reverse search. You can also use this button to control the playback speed of a tape. When using the on-screen menus, use this button to select or adjust items.

#### (8) record button (REC)

Press this button to start recording. When recording, you can use the button to add a manual index mark.

#### 9 VCR/TV button (VCR/TV)

Press this button to switch between the VCR's tuner and the TV's tuner. When you select "VCR," you change channels on the VCR; when you select "TV," you change channels on the TV.

#### 10 power button (POWER)

Press this button to turn the VCR on or off. If you have programmed the VCR to record, you need to turn the VCR off.

#### (1) quick program button (QUICK PRO-GRAM)

This button allows you to program your VCR more quickly and easily. When you press this button, you will immediately see the "Program to record" screen, where you can begin programming your VCR to record.

#### 12 input button (INPUT)

Press this button to select between the antenna and any other video equipment that may be connected. Also, press to begin two times playback with sound.

#### (13) volume controls (VOLUME)

Press the down arrow on the bottom half of this button to lower the volume of the TV: press the up arrow on the top half of this button to raise the volume of the TV.

# (4) channel buttons (CHANNEL)

Press these buttons to change channels.

#### (5) play, stop and enter button (PLAY/ STOP, ENTER)

Press this button to play a tape and press again to stop the tape. Also press to stop tape related functions or to resume normal playback from special effects. When using the on-screen menus, use this button enter selections.

### fast forward, fast forward search and adjust + button (FF, ADJUST) Press this button to fast forward a tape or to fast forward search. You can also use this button to control the playback speed of a tape. When using the on-screen menus, use these buttons to select or adjust items.

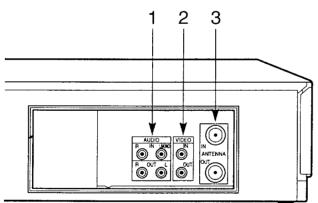
#### (17) pause button (PAUSE)

Press this button to pause a tape when recording or to freeze a frame when viewing a tape.

#### (18) menu button (MENU)

Press this button to display the menus, which are lists of features and instructions, on your television screen. Also press the button to exit the menus.

# Rear Panel Terminals



#### (1) audio output and input terminals These red and white terminals are for sending (OUT) and receiving (IN) audio signals. Red signifies the right channel, and white signifies the left channel. Stereo audio cables are also color coded red and white. If you are receiving or sending a mono (non-stereo) signal, you should use only the left (white) terminal.

② video output and input terminals These yellow terminals are for sending (OUT) and receiving (IN) video signals. You will only need to use these if you have a monitor television, cr for making copies of tapes.

#### **③** antenna terminals

• antenna in (ANTENNA IN) Use this terminal to attach an external antenna or cable. This "brings in" an outside signal.

• antenna out (ANTENNA OUT) Use this terminal to attach the VCR to your TV. This terminal "sends out" the signal to your TV.



Now that you're familiar with some of your VCR's features, you're ready to connect the antenna and the television. You won't have to complete all of the connections you see in this chapter — make only those connections that apply to your equipment.

You should keep in mind that there are two steps you need to take to connect your VCR: first, connect the antenna or cable to the VCR, then connect the VCR to the television.

- Connecting the Antenna or Cable to the VCR
- Connecting the Television

# Connecting the Antenna or Cable to the VCR

The first thing you need to do is connect the antenna or cable. Because there are at least three different types of antennas, this chapter will show how to connect all of them. You don't need to make all the connections. First, find out what kind of antenna you have. Then, make the connection for that type of antenna. You can then go to the next section, "Connecting the Television."

This section shows you:

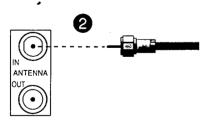
- Connecting cable antennas,
- Connecting other antennas, and
- Connecting separate UHF/VHF antennas.

#### Connecting cable antennas

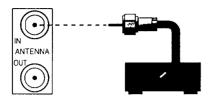
If you have cable TV, this is the only antenna you need to hook up. Because some cable companies require a cable box (for unscrambling cable signals), there are two kinds of cable connections shown: with and without a cable box.

#### connecting cable without a cable box

- Find the "source" cable. It usually comes out of the floor or out of a wall. If it is connected to your TV, disconnect it.
- Connect the cable to the ANTENNA IN terminal on the back of your VCR. Screw or push the cable onto the terminal until it is tight.
- 3 When you are finished, go to page 14, "Connecting the Television."



#### connecting cable with a cable box, if all channels are scrambled



If your cable system scrambles all of its channels, follow the directions below to connect your cable box to your VCR:

- 1 Disconnect the cable box from the TV.
- 2 Connect the cable coming from the cable box to the AN-TENNA IN terminal on the back of your VCR. Screw or push the cable onto the terminal until it is tight.
- **3** When finished, go to page 14, "Connecting the Television."

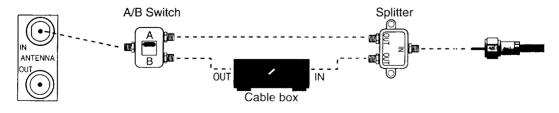
If your cable company scrambles all of its channels, you cannot record one channel while watching another.

#### connecting cable with a cable box, if only some channels are scrambled

If your cable company only requires the use of a cable box for some channels, we suggest using the following connections. This connection will allow you to watch one non-scrambled channel while you record another non-scrambled channel.

#### Before you begin, you will need:

- a cable splitter,
- four lengths of co-axial cable, and
- a cable A/B switch.
- 1 Find the "source" cable; it usually comes out of the wall or the floor. If it is connected to your cable box, disconnect it.
- 2 Connect the source cable to the "in" terminal on the cable splitter.
- 3 Connect one end of a coaxial cable to an "out" terminal on the splitter. Connect the other end of this cable to the "A-IN" terminal on the A/B switch.
- Connect one end of the second coaxial cable to the other "out" terminal on the splitter. Connect the other end of this cable to the "ANTENNA IN" terminal on the cable box.
- Connect the third coaxial cable to the "ANTENNA OUT" terminal on the cable box. Connect the other end of this cable to the "B-IN" terminal on the A/B switch.



- Connect the fourth coaxial cable to the "OUT" terminal on the A/B switch. Connect the other end of this cable to the "AN-TENNA IN" terminal on your VCR.
- When you are finished, go to page 14, "Connecting the Television."

With this connection, you should set the A/B switch to "B" only when you are recording a scrambled channel. In that case, you should set your VCR to record channel 3 (or 4), and manually set the cable box to the channel you wish to record.

You should leave the A/B switch set to "A" for all other situations.

If you have questions concerning your cable system, please contact your cable company.

**Important:** With this connection, you cannot record a scrambled channel and watch a non-scrambled channel at the same time. You also cannot watch a scrambled channel and record a non-scrambled channel at the same time.

#### Connecting other antennas

If you don't have cable TV, you'll need to connect a regular antenna. Your antenna may have one of two different kind of ends (called "leads") on it.

The two kinds of leads are:

300-ohm flat twin leads

that look like this ... :

... or a 75-ohm round lead that looks like this:





Follow the procedures for connecting the kind of leads your antenna has, then go to page 14, "Connecting the Television."

connecting an antenna with a 300-ohm flat twin lead

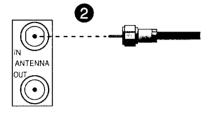
(If you have a 300-ohm flat twin lead, you will need to purchase a 300-75 ohm adapter at your local hardware or electronics store.)



**1** Disconnect the antenna from the back of the TV.

2 Before you can attach the antenna leads to the adapter, you need to expose a 5/8 inch segment of each lead by scraping off the plastic covering. Sometimes these leads have "U" shaped clips that fit around the screw, in which case you will not need to peel back the plastic.

Insert lead under screws and tighten.



Wrap each exposed end of wire once or twice around the screw shanks of the adapter (or insert the clips under the screw heads). Tighten the screws.

- 3 Push the adapter firmly onto the antenna terminal on the VCR labeled ANTENNA IN.
- **4** Go to page 14, "Connecting the Television."

connecting an antenna with a 75-ohm round lead

- 1 Disconnect the antenna from the back of the TV.
- 2 Connect the antenna to the ANTENNA IN terminal on the back of the VCR. Screw or push the cable until it is tight.
- **3** Go to page 14, "Connecting the Television."

#### Connecting separate UHF/VHF antennas

You may have two separate antennas (one UHF, one VHF) that bring TV signals into your home. If you do, you'll need to combine the two antennas before connecting them to the VCR. To do this, you'll need an attachment called a combiner (which is available at your electronics store).

This chart will help you determine the kind of combiner you need.

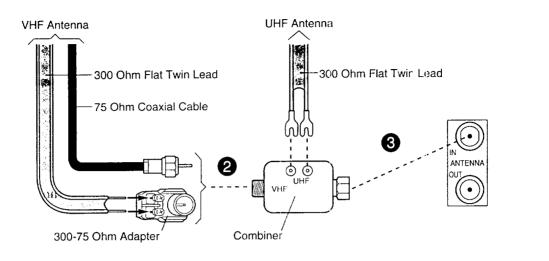
If your UHF antenna wire looks like this	and your VHF antenna wire looks like this	then you need a combiner like this.

To connect your antennas:

(please see the illustration on the next page.)



- 1 Disconnect the antennas from the back of the TV.
- 2 Connect the antenna leads onto the combiner.
- **3** Screw or push the combiner onto the ANTENNA IN terminal on the VCR.
- When you are finished, see page 14, "Connecting the Television."



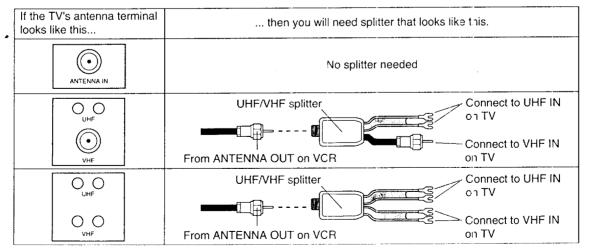
# • Connecting the Television

Now that you have completed the antenna connections to your VCR, you're ready to connect the VCR to the TV. (If you haven't connected the antenna to the VCR, go to page 10, "Connecting the Antenna or Cable to the VCR.") Because every television is different (especially older model TVs), your VCR may need to be connected in one of a variety of ways. This section shows you:

- Determining if you need a splitter,
- Connecting an older TV to the VCR, and
- Connecting a TV with audio and video inputs.

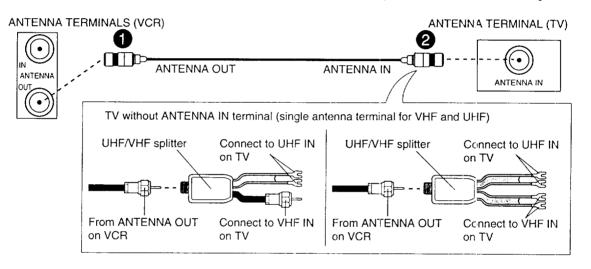
#### Determining if you need a splitter

You should look at the back panel of your TV to see if you need any special equipment to connect the TV to the VCR. You may need an attachment called a UHF/VHF splitter (which is available at your local electronics store). The chart below will tell you if you need a splitter, and what the splitter will look like.



#### Connecting an older TV to the VCR

- Take the black cable (called a coaxial cable) that is supplied with your VCR and attach it to the terminal labeled AN-TENNA OUT on the back of your VCR.
- Connect the other end of this cable to the terminal on your TV labeled ANTENNA IN. This terminal is sometimes also called "ANT-IN" or "VHF IN." If you have an older TV without this kind of terminal, you will have to use a splitter and then connect the splitter to the television.
- 3 If you have a TV with audio and video inputs, you should proceed to the next section, "Connecting a TV with audio and video inputs." Otherwise, your connections are complete.



▷**Important:** Connecting your TV in the way shown above will not allow you to enjoy the stereo sound of your VCR, even if your TV is equipped with stereo.

#### Connecting a TV with audio and video inputs

Your new VCR can be connected to many different types of televisions. Because you purchased a Hi-Fi VCR, you will want to take advantage of its superior sound capability and connect it to a stereo TV system with audio and video inputs.

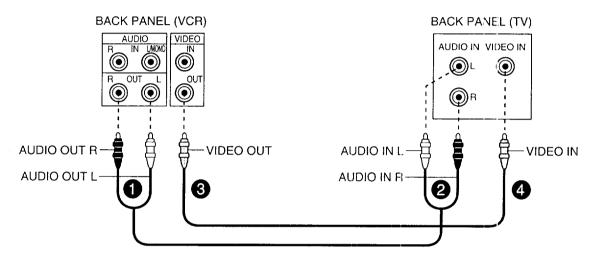
#### Before you begin this section:

• You should have already completed the section "Connecting an older TV to the VCR."

#### connecting a stereo TV with audio and video inputs

• Connect a set of red and white audio cables to the AUDIO OUTPUT terminals on the VCR labeled AUDIO OUT. The red cable is for connecting the right (R) channel and the white cable is for connecting the left (L) channel. If your TV has only one (mono) audio input, connect only the white (L) output from your VCR.

- ▷**Important:** If you are connecting your VCR to a mono (non-stereo) TV, you cannot take advantage of your VCR's Hi-Fi sound.
  - 2 Connect the other ends of this cable to the AUDIO INPUT terminals on your TV labeled AUDIO IN.
  - 3 Connect a single yellow video cable to the VIDEO OUTPUT terminal labeled VIDEO OUT on the VCR.
  - Connect the other end of the video cable to the yellow VIDEO INPUT terminal labeled VIDEO IN on the TV.





Now that you've completed your antenna, VCR, and TV connections, you're ready to start enjoying your equipment. To get the most satisfaction out of your VCR, you should carefully read the two sections, "Setting Up Your VCR for the First Time" and "Viewing the Picture Coming from Your VCF.." Then you can start exploring what your new VCR can do.

In this chapter, you'll learn:

- Setting Up Your VCR for the First Time
- Using the Remote Control
- Viewing the Picture Coming from Your VCR
- Loading and Unloading Tapes
- Playing a Tape
- Selecting the On-screen Language
- Using the Menus to Set the Time
- Programming the VCR to Receive TV Channels
- Using the Audio and Video Functions
- Recording

### Setting Up Your VCR for the First Time

It's important that your VCR is set up correctly before you try to use it. If you carefully read this section, you will avoid confusion later and get the most out of operating your system.

This section teaches you about:

- Setting up your VCR if you are using a TV without Audio and Video Inputs (Older TV), and
- Setting up your VCR if you are using a 'TV equipped with Audio and Video Inputs (Modern TV).

#### Before you begin, you should:

• have completed your antenna, VCR, and TV connections.

# Setting up your VCR if you are using a TV without Audio and Video Inputs (Older TV)

Turn on your TV and tune it to channel 3 or 4, whichever is NOT used for broadcast in your area.

② If you tuned the TV to channel 4 in step ①, press the CHANNEL ▲ button and the ONE KEY PROGRAM button on the front panel at the same time with the VCR turned off. The word "Ant ch4" will display on the front panel display of the VCR and the VCR will send signals on channel 4. (If you tuned the TV to channel 3, you don't need to do this.)

- **3** Turn the VCR on by pressing the POWER button.
- >Important: The VCR will return to its initial setting (channel 3) if you press the CHANNEL ▼ button and the ONE KEY PROGRAM button on the front panel at the same time with the VCR turned off.

Setting up your VCR if you are using a TV equipped with Audio and Video Inputs (Modern TV)

• Turn on your TV and switch it to the correct external input. (For most Mitsubishi TVs, this means pressing the TV's INPUT button until you see the words "Ext-1" on the screen.)

**2** Turn the VCR on by pressing the POWER button.

Using the Remote Control

In this section, you'll learn how to set up and use your remote control.

This section includes:

- Using the remote control to operate the VCR, and
- Using the remote control to operate the TV.

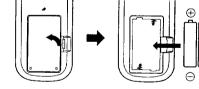
#### Using the remote control to operate the VCR

#### installing the batteries

- Unpack two AA size batteries.
- 2 To remove the back cover, press the ridged area gently, then push the cover in the direction of the arrow and lift.
- 3 Load the batteries, making sure the polarities (+) and (-) are correct.

#### operating the remote control

- Press the VCR button on the remote control. This "tells" the remote that you want to control the VCR.
- While within 23 feet of the VCR, point the remote control toward the VCR and press the buttons you desire.



Brand of TV	Brand code buttons
Mitsubishi	1, 2, 3
Fisher	0
G.E.	CANCEL
Goldstar	2,9
Hitachi	8
JVC	VOLUME V
Magnavox	4
NEC	2,9
Panasonic	6, MUTE
Pioneer	CHANNEL V
Philips	4
Proscan	CANCEL
Quasar	6
RCA	CANCEL
Sanyo	0
Sharp	3, 5
Sony	DISPLAY
Toshiba	7
Zenith	INPUT

#### Using the remote control to operate the TV

The HS-U420 remote control can operate many of the frequentlyused functions of your TV. This way, you need to use only one remote to operate both your VCR and TV.

The HS-U420 remote control is pre-set to operate Mitsubishi televisions, but it can also operate TVs from other manufacturers. If you need to set your remote control for your particular brand of television, follow the instructions below.

#### setting up your remote control to operate your TV

- Turn off your TV.
- 2 On the HS-U420 remote control, press the TV button.
- 3 While holding in the POWER button, press the code button listed to the left that corresponds to the brand of your TV.
- Once your TV has turned on, your remote is set up to operate your brand of TV.

You do not need to perform this set-up again unless you change the batteries, set up your remote for another brand of television, or you get a new TV.

Once you have correctly set your remote control to operate your TV, you will be able to use the POWER, CHANNEL, VOLUME, MUTE and number buttons to operate your TV.

- ▷**Important:** Depending on the model TV you have, all or some of the buttons may not function, or they may operate different features than indicated above. You may need to use the TV's remote control.
- ▷Important: Sometimes manufacturers will change the remote control codes for their products, or they will use more than one code. If this is the case, your remote may not be able to control your TV.
- ▷**Important:** When you replace the batteries in your remote, the remote will return to its initial setting (code button "1"). Repeat the steps above to reset your remote control. If you enter a new code, the previous code will be erased.

#### operating your TV with the HS-U420 remote control

- **1** Press the TV button on the HS-U420 remote control.
- 2 Point the remote control towards the remote sensor on the TV and press the desired buttons.
- 3 To once again control the VCR, press the VCR button.

▷Important: Because of variations among models, some or all buttons may not work, or they may operate different functions than listed, for your particular TV. If this occurs, you may need to use your TV remote control.

# Viewing the Picture Coming from Your VCR

This is the most important part of using your VCR, but often the most confusing: how do you view a picture coming from the VCR?

Before you begin, you should know:

• whether you are viewing a "Modern TV" or an "Older TV." (See page 17.)

Viewing the picture coming from your VCR if you are using an older  $\mathsf{TV}$ 

- **1** Turn on your TV and tune it to channel 3 or 4.
- 2 Turn on the VCR by pressing the POWER button.
- Check to see if the "VCR" light on the front panel display is lit. If it is not lit, press the VCR/TV buttor, until it is lit.

You are viewing the picture from your VCR!

With this set-up, you will use the VCR/TV button when recording, when viewing tapes or broadcast stations through your VCR, or before using the VCR's menus. You also use the VCR/TV button to switch back to normal TV viewing.

▷**Important:** If you set the "RF converter" setting of the "Customize choices" menu to ON, you don't need to use the VCR/TV button when viewing tapes. (See page 48.)

Viewing the picture coming from your VCR if you are using a modern TV

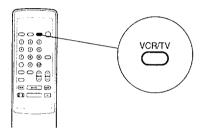
• Turn on your TV and switch it to the correct external input. (For most Mitsubishi TVs, this means pressing the TV's INPUT button until you see the words "Ext-1" or "Input-1" on the screen.)

2 Turn the VCR on by pressing the POWER button.

You are viewing the picture from your VCR!

If you wish to return to normal TV viewing, switch your TV's input back to its previous position.

▷**Important:** If you are using a modern TV, be sure to set the "RF converter" of the "Customize choices" menu to OFF to prevent noise in the picture. (See page 48.)



**Important:** If your system includes a home theater receiver or an A/V receiver, refer to your home theater receiver's owner's guide.

### Loading and Unloading Tapes

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#### Loading a tape

**Important:** Tapes can be loaded into your VCR as long as the VCR is plugged in. Even when the VCR POWER is off, loading a tape will automatically turn the VCR on. Use only tapes that have a VHS label. 60)

> Hold the tape so that the long narrow edge with the contents Ð label faces towards you. The other edge is hinged and should face towards the VCR. The plastic window that shows the videotape should face up.

Gently insert the tape into the cassette slot until the VCR 0 automatically takes it in.

**Important:** Your VCR will eject the tape if you improperly load it. If the VCR ejects the tape, remove the tape, check to see that the contents label is facing you, that the geared tape reels are facing downwards, wait a few seconds, and try again.

#### Unloading a tape

- Press the EJECT button on the front of the VCR. If the VCR POWER is off, the VCR will turn on, eject the tape, then turn off.
- **2** Remove the tape.

**Important:** You cannot eject a tape while it is recording. You must first stop the recording.

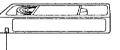
#### Preventing accidental erasure



Tapes come with a tab that, when removed, prevents you from recording on the tape. If you attempt to record over a tape that has had this tab removed, the VCR will eject it. To record over such a tape, simply place a piece of vinyl tape over the opening.

#### Using repaired tapes

►Warning: We recommend that you take any broken or torn tapes to a professional for repair. If you repair a torn tape with improper materials, you could damage your VCR when you play the tape.



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# • Playing a Tape

Now that your VCR is connected and properly set up, and you know how to view a picture coming from your VCR, it's time to play a tape.

This section describes:

- Playing back a tape, and
- Using basic playback controls.

#### Playing back a tape

#### Before you begin, you need to know:

- how to view the picture coming from your VCR (page 20).
- 1 To play a tape, load a pre-recorded cassette.
- Press the PLAY/STOP button on the front panel or on the remote control.

The VCR will automatically play the tape at the correct speed. When the VCR reaches the end of the tape, it will automatically rewind the tape and stop. You can stop playing by pressing PLAY/ STOP.

### Using basic playback controls

#### rewinding a tape

Press the REW button on the remote control or on the front panel.

If the tape is stopped, you will begin rewinding. If the tape is playing, you will begin "reverse speed search."

#### fast forwarding a tape

Press the FF button on the remote control or on the front panel.

If the tape is stopped, you will begin fast forwarding. If the tape is playing, you will begin "forward speed search."

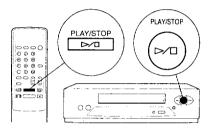
#### pausing a tape

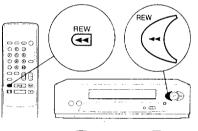
Press the PAUSE button on the remote control to freeze the picture on the screen.

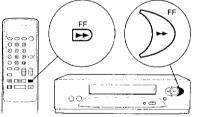
**Important:** If you leave the VCR in pause for 5 minutes, the VCR will automatically stop to prevent damage to the tape.

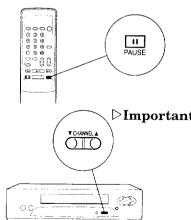
#### controlling vibration during still frame

If the picture vibrates during still frame, press the CHANNEL buttons on the front panel until the picture is steady.









# Selecting the On-screen Language

You can set your VCR to display on-screen messages, menus, and functions in English, Spanish or French. You should do this before you use the menus or set any audio/video functions.

#### Before you begin, you need to know:

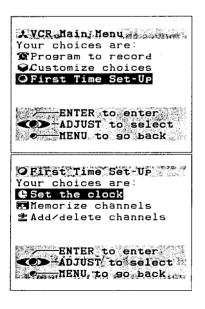
• how to view the picture coming from your VCR. (See page 20.)

• Make sure you are viewing the picture coming from your VCR. Then, press the MENU button on the remote control. If this is the first time the menus have been used, you will see the menu for selecting an on-screen lang lage.

- Press the ADJUST buttons on the remote control to highlight the desired language. The ADJUST + button moves upward; the ADJUST - button moves downward.
- 3 Press the ENTER button on the remote control. The menu will change to the "VCR Main Menu."
- **4** Press the MENU button to exit the menus.

▷Important: The "Select Language" menu is unique. While all other menus can be accessed at almost any time, the "Select Language" menu will not automatically appear again after it is first set. To see the "Select Language" menu, turn off the VCR and unplug the power cord. Leave it unplugged for about two minutes, then follow the procedure on this page.

### Using the Menus to Set the Time

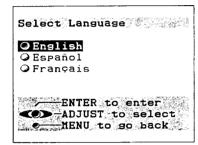


This section will show you how to use the on-screen menus. You will use the menus to operate many features, such as setting the time, programming to record, and memorizing channels. On the on-screen menus, the selected item is indicated in white.

#### Before you begin, you need to know:

- how to view the picture coming from your VCR (page 20),
- Make sure you are viewing the picture coming from your VCR. Then, press the MENU button on the remote control. You will see the "VCR Main Menu." Make sure the words "First Time Set-Up" is highlighted. If it is not, use the AD-JUST buttons to highlight it.

**2** Press the ENTER button. The "First Time Set-Up" menu will appear. The word "Set the clock" will be highlighted. Press the ENTER button.



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- 3 You will see the "Set the clock" menu. The words "Daylight savings" will be highlighted. Press the ADJUST buttons to select the daylight savings setting ON or OFF. If you are currently following daylight savings, select ON. Otherwise, select OFF. Press the ENTER button.
- Press the ADJUST buttons until the correct month appears on screen. Press the ENTER button.

- S Press the ADJUST buttons to set the year. Press the ENTER button.
- 6 Press the ADJUST buttons to set the date. Press the ENTER button.

The hour numbers and the am/pm indicator will be blinking. Press the ADJUST buttons to set the hour and am/pm at the same time. The ADJUST + button moves the clock forward; the ADJUST - moves the clock backwards.

Press the ENTER button.

- 3 The minutes will now be blinking. Press the ADJUST buttons to set the minutes. When you have set the correct time, press the ENTER button. The display will return to the "First Time Set-Up" menu and the clock will start running.
- Press the MENU button once to return to the "VCR Main Menu"; press the MENU button again to turn off the menus.

If you want to adjust the clock manually for Daylight Saving Time,

After you have displayed the "Set the clock" menu, make sure that the words "Daylight savings" is highlighted. Then press the ADJUST buttons to select ON or OFF. If you select ON, the VCR will set the clock forward one hour. If you select OFF, the VCR will set the clock back one hour.

▷**Important:** If you want the VCR to adjust the clock automatically for Daylight Saving Time, set the "Auto D.S.T." of the "Customize choices" menu to ON. (For more information on this feature, please see page 47.)

If you set the "Auto D.S.T." of the "Customize choices" menu to ON,

Your VCR will change automatically the clock from 2 AM to 3 AM on first Sunday in April and turn the "Daylight savings" setting to ON; your VCR will change the clock from 3 AM back to 2 AM on last Sunday in October and turn the setting to OFF. This means if you are currently following Daylight Saving Time, "ON" will be displayed; otherwise, "OFF" will be displayed. (You cannot change the "Daylight savings" setting manually.)

▷**Important:** Any time you adjust this setting, check your programmed recordings to be sure they are set to the correct time.

# Programming the VCR to Receive TV Channels

Before your VCR can receive television channels, you need to program all of the channels you can receive into your VCR. Fortunately, our menu system makes this an easy process. This section will also explain some other channel-related functions.

This section explains:

- Programming channels automatically,
- Using video mute,
- Adding and deleting channels, and
- Selecting a channel.

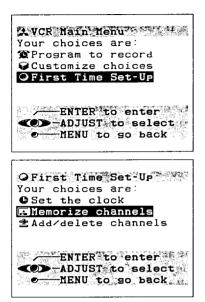
#### Programming channels automatically

Using this process, your VCR will automatically memorize all of the local television stations you can receive. You can later get rid of unwanted or unused stations.

If your local cable box company scrambles some or all stations, and/or requires you to use a cable box, then your ability to program channels will be limited. The cable box receives all of your channels and then sends only one to your TV (and your VCR), usually on channel 3 or 4.

If your cable box or cable system seems incompatible with your new VCR, call your cable company. They may be able to provide solutions to your problems.

A special note to cable box subscribers



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#### Before you begin, you should:

- have completed all connections between your VCR, TV, and cable or antenna; (see pages 10-16)
- know how to view the picture coming from your VCR; (page 20)
- know how to use the menus. (See page 23.)

To program channels automatically:

- Set the VCR's input to tuner. To do this, press the INPUT button on the remote control until a channel number appears on the screen or on the front panel fluorescent display.
- Press the MENU button on the remote control. You will see the "VCR Main Menu" on the TV screen.
- **3** Use the ADJUST buttons on the remote to select "First Time Set-Up." Press the ENTER button.
- 4 The "First Time Set-Up" menu appears on your screen. Press the ADJUST buttons to select "Memorize channels." Press the ENTER button.

Important: If you are recording, playing back a tape or receiving a video signal from an external input, the words "Not available" will flash. To correct this, stop the tape or switch the VCR's input to tuner.

- You will see the menu for automatically memorizing channels. Using the list below as a reference, press the ADJUST buttons to select the kind of antenna you connected.
  - If you are using any other cable combination, including a cable box with an A/B switch, choose "Cable."
  - If you are using an antenna that receives only over-the-air broadcasts, such as "rabbit ears" or a roof-mounted antenna, choose "Indoor/outdoor ant."

After you have selected, press the ENTER button.

You will see an on-screen message and the display on the front of your VCR will show you that the VCR is memorizing the stations you can receive. You can cancel the memorization at any time by pressing CANCEL on the remote control.

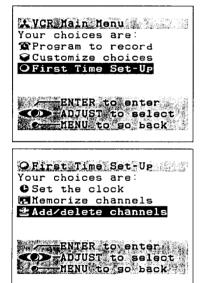
After the VCR has programmed all the channels, the screen will return the VCR's picture.

▷**Important:** Automatic programming may include vacant channels if there are stray signals or noise on those channels. If this occurs, you can manually delete the channels using the procedure in the section "Adding and deleting channels."

#### Using video mute

When you turn video mute ON, any blank section of tape, or any station with a weak signal, will be replaced by a blue screen. The

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sound will also be turned off. If there is a time when you would like to try to tune in a weak station, turn video mute OFF.

#### Before you begin, you should know how:

- to view the picture coming from your VCR; (see page 20)
- to use the menus. (See page 23.)
- Press the MENU button on the remote control. The "VCR Main Menu" appears on your TV.
- **2** Use the ADJUST buttons on the remote to select "Customize choices." Press the ENTER button.
- 3 The "Customize choices" menu appears on your screen. Use the ADJUST buttons to select "Video mut€."
- **4** Press the ENTER button to set video mute to ON or OFF.
- Press the MENU button once to return to the "VCR Main Menu" menu; press the MENU button a second time to turn off the menus.

#### Adding and deleting channels

If necessary, you can manually add or delete channels after you have completed the automatic channel programming.

#### Before you begin, you should know how:

- to view the picture coming from your VCR; (see page 20)
- to use the menus. (See page 23.)
- 1 Make sure that video mute is ON. (See above.)
- 2 Set the VCR's input to tuner. To do this, press the INPUT button on the remote control until a channel number appears on the screen or on the front panel fluorescent display.
- Press the MENU button on the remote control. The "VCR Main Menu" appears on your TV.
- Press the ADJUST buttons on the remote control to select "First Time Set-Up." Press the ENTER button.
- You will see the "First Time Set-Up" menu. Press the AD-JUST buttons to select "Add/delete channels." Press the ENTER button.
- Important: If you are recording, playing back a tape, or receiving a video signal from an external input, then the words 'Not available" will flash. To correct this, stop the tape or switch the VCR's input to tuner.

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- You will see the screen for adding or deleting channels. Use the ADJUST buttons to select the channel that you want to add or delete. Press the ENTER button to add the channel or press the CANCEL button to delete it.
- When you are finished adding or deleting channels, press the MENU button once to return to the "First Time Set-Up" menu; press the MENU button a second time to return to the "VCR Main Menu"; press the MENU button a third time to turn off the menu.
- ▷Important: If you use automatic programming again, you will lose all of the manual changes you made. All of the channels you deleted will be added; all of the channels you added will be deleted.

#### Selecting a channel

Now that you have programmed your channels, and added or deleted some, you will want to be able to select channels. (If you have not yet programmed your channels, see page 25, "Programming channels automatically.")

There are two basic ways to select channels: sequentially or directly.

#### selecting channels sequentially

Press the CHANNEL buttons on the remote control or on the VCR front panel. This will cycle through the channels in sequential numerical order.

#### selecting channels directly

Use the number buttons on the remote control. For example, to choose channel 23, press the "2" button, then the "3" button.

To select a single digit channel, such as channel 5, press the "0" button, then the number button, "5." You can also press the number button "5," then press the ENTER button.

▷Important: If you selected Indoor/Outdoor antenna, the VCR can receive UHF/VHF channels 2-69. If you selected Cable Antenna the VCR can receive cable channels 1-125. If you try to select a channel number that the VCR cannot receive, the VCR will not change channels.

### • Using the Audio and Video Functions

You can select many of the VCR's audio and video functions and adjust their settings with function menu. You can also choose some advanced features. The VCR will display the functions and settings on the television's screen. This section will teach you about:

- Descriptions of audio and video functions, and
- Selecting and adjusting the audio and video functions.

The functions you can select are:

- audio monitor,
- normal record,
- record speed,
- tape,
- index search, and
- counter zero stop.

#### Descriptions of audio and video functions

Below are descriptions of the audio and video functions, their uses and their settings. To select these functions and adjust their settings, refer to the section "Selecting and  $\varepsilon$ .djusting the audio and video functions." (See page 30.)

#### audio monitor (Listen to:)

The monitor function allows you to listen to the various audio tracks that your VCR is capable of recording. You can choose to listen to a MONO track, both channels of the STEREO track, or either of the channels (left (L) and right (R)) of the stereo track.

- Choose "L" to listen to the left channel of a stereo track.
- Choose "R" to listen to the right channel of the stereo track.
- Choose "Stereo" to listen to both stereo channels.
- The MONO track is lower in quality than the others, and the monitor is automatically set to "Mono" if you are watching a tape that was not recorded in VHS Hi-Fi. Set the audio monitor to "Mono" to hear an S.A.P. signal recorded on the mono track of a Hi-Fi tape (see below).
- >Important: If you have your VCR connected to a surround sound system, set the audio monitor to "Stereo." Surround sound requires both left and right channels to create the rear channel effects.

If you are receiving a stereo signal, the word "Stereo" will display on TV screen for 4 seconds. If you are receiving an S.A.P. broadcast, the word "SAP" will display on TV screen for 4 seconds.

#### normal recording (Record:)

When your VCR is recording, it actually records the audio portion of a program twice: once on the stereo Hi-Fi tracks, and once on the mono track. Additionally, your VCR is able to receive Separate Audio Program broadcasts, also known as an S.A.P. broadcast. An S.A.P. broadcast is an alternative audio soundtrack for a program; it is often a soundtrack in another language.

You can use the normal recording function to record the S.A.P. broadcast on the mono track by choosing "Stereo+SAP." Otherwise, choose "Stereo." In either case, the main program is recorded on the stereo Hi-Fi track. Also, if there is no S.A.P. broadcast, the VCR will record the main program on the mono track. Be careful if you choose S.A.P. If you play your tapes on a non-Hi-Fi VCR, you only hear the mono track. You may have to watch your favorite show in a language you don't understand!

#### recording speed (REC speed)

The recording speed has an effect on picture quality. SP produces the best picture quality and records up to two hours of video on a T-120 tape. Mitsubishi's EP speed has only slightly poorer quality, and records up to six hours on a T-120.

#### tape (Tape)

Adjust this function to ensure the accuracy of the Tape Remaining display. If you are using a tape that is two hours long or less (labeled T-30 through T-120), set this function to "T-120." If you are using a tape labeled T-160, select "T-160." If you are using a tape labeled T-180, select "T-180." If you are using a tape labeled T-210, select "T-210." You cannot use this function with a tape that is less than 30 minutes long.

#### index search (Index search)

Index search is a very useful way to find specific points on a tape. (For more information on this feature, please see page 46.)

#### counter zero stop (Counter zero stop)

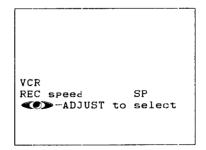
This function is used to automatically fast forward or rewind to " $0_{H}00_{M}00_{s}$ " and stop the tape. (For more information on this feature, please see page 45.)

#### Selecting and adjusting the audio and video functions

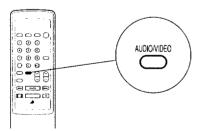
Below are instructions on how to select and adjust the audio and video functions.

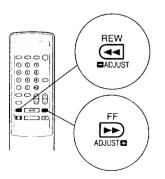
#### Before you begin, you need to know:

- how to view the picture coming from your VCR (page 20).
- Press the AUDIO/VIDEO button on the remote control to see the function menu.
- Press the AUDIO/VIDEO button until the function you want to adjust appears.



Press the ADJUST buttons on the remote to adjust the setting. The functions will disappear if you do not press any buttons for 5 seconds.



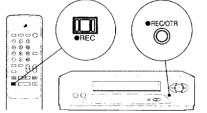


**Important:** The function menu does not appear when the other VCR menus are displayed; or during special effects playback. The recording speed (REC speed) and tape functions do not appear during playback. Recording Your new VCR offers a wide variety of recording options that take full advantage of our advanced electronics. This section tells you about the following recording procedures: • Recording a current broadcast, • Programming your VCR to record, • Using One-Touch Recording (OTR), Using One Key Programming, Using Quick Program, and Notes about programmed recording. Recording a current broadcast Before you begin, you need to know how: • to view the picture coming from your VCR. (See page 20.) To record a TV program that is currently playing: 1 Load a tape with its erasure tab intact into the VCR. 2 If you have not already done so, set the speed at which you would like to record. (See "Selecting and adjusting the audio and video functions" on page 30.) 3 Set the VCR's input to tuner. To do this, press the INPUT button on the remote until the channel number shows onscreen or on the front panel display. 4 Select the channel you would like to record by using the CHANNEL button on the remote control or on the front panel. (If you are using a cable box, select channel 3 or 4 on

- CHANNEL button on the remote control or on the front panel. (If you are using a cable box, select channel 3 or 4 on the VCR, and change the channel on the cable box, not on the VCR. Additionally, if you are using an A/B switch, remember to see the switch to the correct position.)
- Press the record button (REC) on the remote control or the record button (REC/OTR) on the front panel of the VCR.

Recording will start. When you reach the end of the tape, the VCR will automatically rewind. You can stop recording at any time by pressing the PLAY/STOP or PAUSE button. To resume recording from STOP, press REC. To resume recording from PAUSE, press PAUSE. (You cannot use the REC/OTR button to resume recording from PAUSE.)

**Important:** If you pause the VCR for five minutes, recording will stop auto-



matically to protect the tape. If you record in extended play (EP), you will only be able to play the tape on a VCR equipped for EP play, such as this one.

If you attempt to record on a tape that has had its erasure prevention tab removed, the VCR will eject the tape.

#### Programming your VCR to record

You can program your VCR to record with the help of Mitsubishi's on-screen operating system. You can schedule up to eight recording "events" within a one month period.

#### Before you begin, you must:

- know how to view the picture coming from your VCR; (see page 20) and
- have set the clock. (See page 23).

To program your VCR to record:

• Load a tape with its erasure tab intact into the VCR.

Press the MENU button on the remote control. The "VCR Main Menu" appears on your screen. Use the ADJUST buttons on the remote control to select "Frogram to record." Press the ENTER button.

If there is at least one programmed recording already entered, you will see the "recap" screen. You can choose an empty recording slot, or wait four seconds and the VCR will automatically choose the first empty slot.

- 3 You will see the "Program to record" menu. Press the AD-JUST buttons to choose the channel you would like to record (for example, channel 2). Press the ENTER button.
  - If you are using a cable box, enter the channel number on which the cable box sends a signal to your VCR (usually channel 3 or 4).
  - If you wish to record from an external source, press the INPUT button or press the ADJUST buttons until "External" appears.
- The "Day" will flash. Press the ADJUST buttons to choose the day on which you want to record (for example, Monday the seventeenth). Press the ENTER button.
- ▷Important: When selecting a day, your choices are: a single day up to one month away, every day from Monday through Friday, or the same day every week. To program for every day from Monday through Friday (to tape a soap opera, for example), press the ADJUST buttons until "Monday-Friday" appears. To program the same day every week (to tape your favorite weekly sitcom, for example), press the ADJUST buttons until "Every" and the desired day of the week appear.

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- The hour numbers of the stop time, along with the am/pm indicator, will flash. Press the ADJUST buttons to set the hour when you wish recording to stop. Press the ENTER button.
- 3 The minute numbers of the stop time will flash. Press the ADJUST buttons to set the minutes when you wish recording to stop. Press the ENTER button.
- Press the ADJUST buttons to set the recording speed (SP, EP, or auto recording speed (AUTO)). (See "auto speed programming" on page 39 for an explanation of the auto speed recording feature.) Press the ENTER button.
- The contents of the programmed memory will appear on the "recap" screen.
- To program additional recording times, select an empty program line by pressing the ADJUST buttons. Then, press the ENTER button. You will return to the "Program to record" screen. Continue the programming procedure from step 3.

- ▷Important: Only four of the eight program lines appear on-screen at any one time. To see additional program lines, press the ADJUST buttons to scroll the lines on the screen.
  - When you are finished with all programming, turn the VCR power OFF and make sure the programmed recording light is lit. However, if you have a cable box, leave it turned ON and tuned to the station you wish to record. Additionally, if you are using an A/B switch, remember to set the switch to the correct position.

#### canceling a recording in progress

There are two ways to cancel a recording in progress.

1. Press the PLAY/STOP button. The recording is stopped, but the program is not cancelled. Therefore, if you press REC, the recording will start again.

2. Press the POWER button on the front panel. The recording is stopped and the program is cancelled.

changing settings while programming

If you wish to change one of your settings (such as start time) while you are programming, press the ENTER and CANCEL on the remote to select the setting you wish to change. ENTER will move you forward through the list, while CANCEL will move you backwards. Then, use the ADJUST buttons to change the setting.

**Important:** If you press the CANCEL button while the channel number is flashing, you will cancel the entire program.

#### Using One-Touch Recording (OTR)

One-Touch Recording (also called OTR) is a way to begin recording immediately, but have your VCR stop recording and turn off automatically after your show is over.

#### Before you begin, you need to know how:

- to view the picture coming from your VCR. (See page 20.)
- Load a tape with its erasure tab intact into the VCR.
- 2 If you have not already done so, set the speed at which you would like to record. (See "Selecting and adjusting the audio and video functions" on page 30.)
- Set the VCR's input to tuner. To do this, press the INPUT button on the remote until the channel number shows on-screen or on the front panel display.
- Use the CHANNEL buttons on the remote control or on the front panel to select the channel you would like to record.



If you are using a cable box, select channel 3 or 4 on the VCR, and change the channel on the cable box. Additionally, if you are using an A/B switch, remember to set the switch to the correct position.

Press the REC/OTR button on the front panel twice. The first time you press the button, recording will begin. The second time you press the button, 30 minutes is added to the OTR timer, which is displayed on the front panel.

Press the REC/OTR button for each 30 minutes you want to add to the OTR timer, up to 4 hours. If you press the button 10 times, you will see the word "End" on the front panel display. The VCR will record until the end of the tape. If you press the button an eleventh time, the VCR will resume normal recording.

The OTR timer will begin to count down. When it reaches zero, the VCR will stop recording and turn off. If you have previously programmed your VCR to record, the VCR will be ready to record what you've programmed. If the end of the tape is reached before OTR is finished, the VCR will stop and the power will turn off.

▷**Important:** If you attempt to record on a tape that has had its erasure prevention tab removed, the VCR will eject the tape.

#### If you program too much time into the OTR timer,

continue pressing the REC/OTR button. You will "cycle" around once you have reached the 4-hour point. You can start over, adding time in 30 minute intervals.

#### how OTR affects other controls

If you press the PAUSE button during OTR, the VCR will pause recording, but the OTR timer continues to count down.

If you press PLAY/STOP during OTR, you erase the OTR programming.

You cannot use the REC/OTR button on the front panel to resume recording from the record-pause mode.

## **Using One Key Programming**

One Key Programming is a programming method that is simple to use and easy to learn, without using the remote control.

#### Before you begin,

- you need to know how to view the picture coming from your VCR; (see page 20) and
- you must have set the clock. (See page 23.)

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To use One-Key Programming:

- 1 Load a tape with its erasure tab intact into the VCR.
- 2 Press the ONE KEY PROGRAM button. (If you have not set the time, the "Set the clock" menu will appear. Set the clock, and then proceed.) If there is already a program in the VCR's memory, you will see the "recap" screen. You can use the ONE KEY PROGRAM button to select an empty programming slot, or you can wait 4 seconds for the VCR to automatically select an empty slot.
- 3 You will see the "Program to record" screen. Press the ONE KEY PROGRAM button until the channel you would like to record (for example, channel 2) appears. Then, wait for 4 seconds. The word "Day" will be automatically highlighted.
  - If you are recording from a cable box, set the channel to 3 or 4, whichever the cable box sends signals on.
  - If you wish to record from an external source, press the ONE KEY PROGRAM button until "External" appears.
- 4 Press the ONE KEY PROGRAM button to choose the day you would like to record (for example, Monday the seventeenth). Then, wait for 4 seconds. The hour numbers of the starting time will flash.
- **6** Press the ONE KEY PROGRAM button to choose the hour when you wish recording to start. Then, wait for 4 seconds. The minute numbers will begin to flash.
- 6 Press the ONE KEY PROGRAM button to choose the minute when you wish recording to start. Then, wait for 4 seconds. The word "Stop time" will be highlighted.
- **7** Press the ONE KEY PROGRAM button to choose the hour when you wish recording to stop. Then, wait for 4 seconds. The minute numbers will begin to flash.

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- Press the ONE KEY PROGRAM button to choose the minute when you wish recording to stop. Then, wait for 4 seconds. The record speed will flash.
- Press the ONE KEY PROGRAM button to set the recording speed. After 4 seconds, the menus will turn off.
- When you are finished with all programming, turn the VCR power OFF and make sure the programmed recording light is lit. However, if you have a cable box, leave it turned ON and tuned to the channel you wish to record. Additionally, if you are using an A/B switch, remember to set the switch to the correct position.

The VCR is ready to record what you've programmed.

changing settings while programming

If you make a mistake when using One Key Program:

- Press the FF or REW buttons on the front panel to select the setting you wish to change. Pressing the FF button will move you forward, while pressing the REW button will move you backward. If you wish to use the remote control, you can use ENTER to move forward or CANCEL to move backward.
- Once you have chosen a setting, you can change it by using the PLAY/STOP button on the front panel or the ADJUST buttons on the remote control.
- 3 Once you have corrected the setting, press the FF button or press ENTER button to resume your place.
- ▷Important: If you press CANCEL or REW while the channel number is flashing, you will cancel the entire program. If you want to stop using One Key Programming before you complete programming, press the MENU button on the remote control.

## **Using Quick Program**

Quick Program is an exclusive Mitsubishi feature that simplifies the process of programming your VCR to record. When you press the QUICK PROGRAM button on the remote control, you will immediately see the "Program to record" menu and can begin programming right away.

You can use this feature even when the VCR is stopped, playing, recording, fast forwarding, rewinding, or off. However, the QUICK PROGRAM button does not function during One Key Programming.

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• Press the QUICK PROGRAM button on the remote control. If the VCR is off, it will turn on. After tuning your TV to the correct channel or input, you will see the 'Program to record" screen, unless the VCR's memory is full.

If the VCR's memory is full, you will see the recap screen (below left) instead of the "Program to record" screen. You will need to use the CANCEL button to erase an entry before you can add another one.

2 Complete programming as described in "Programming your VCR to record." When you are finished, press the QUICK PROGRAM button again. If the VCR is stopped, it will turn off and be ready to record your program at a later time. If the VCR is playing, recording, fast forwarding or rewinding, the menus will turn off, but the VCR power will remain on.

When you are finished with all programming, be sure to turn the VCR power OFF and the programmed recording light is lit. However, if you have a cable box, leave it turned ON and tuned to the station you wish to record. Additionally, if you are using an A/B switch, remember to set the switch to the correct position.

**Important:** If you press the QUICK PROGRAM button, but the clock is not set, you will see the "Set the clock" menu.

## Notes about programmed recording

▷Important: You cannot use the VCR when the programmed recording light is lit. If you want to use the VCR before programmed recording begins, press the POWER button on the remote once. This turns the programmed recording light off and the VCR on.

> If you use the POWER button on the front panel for this purpose, you will have to press it twice. Pressing it once turns off the programmed recording light; pressing it a second time turns the VCR on.

When you are finished using the VCR, turn the VCR power off again, either with the POWER button on the remote or the POWER button on the front panel. Make sure the programmed recording light is back on.

After a program has been recorded, the VCR memory is cleared (unless you have scheduled the VCR to record the program every day or every week).

If there is already a program in the VCR's memory, you will see the "recap" screen when you bring up the menus for programming to record (unless you are programming with QUICK PROGRAM). If the VCR's memory is full, you must erase a program before you can enter a new one. If a tape runs out during programmed recording, the VCR ejects the tape and the programmed recording light and the tape status symbol will flash. Load a new tape and press the REC button. The VCR will resume recording. Do not overlap the recording times you program.

▷Important: Remember that when your VCR is off, it may also be in stand-by for programmed recording. Also remember that the VCR, when programmed, will record over the next section of tape. So, to avoid recording over tapes you want to save, remember that the VCR automatically shuts off during OTR recording and auto power saving.

Your VCR will not record over a tape that has the erasure prevention tab removed (see "Preventing accidental erasure"). All rental movies have this tab removed, so they are safe from being accidentally erased.

#### auto speed programming

Use auto speed programming if you want to record as much of the program as possible in standard play (SP) speed, but you want the VCR to automatically switch to extended play (EP) if there is not enough tape left.

Auto speed programming is only available in one programming slot. In the first slot, the recording speed is automatically set to AUTO. If you want to use auto speed programming in this programming slot, you don't need to change anything.

▷Important: Make sure that the "Tape" video function matches the kind of tape you are using. (See "Selecting and adjusting the audio and video functions" on page 30.)

Set the time for recording to end a minute or two beyond the program's scheduled broadcast time.

#### programming TV programs that end on the day after

If you want to start the recording at 11:00 PM and end it at 2:00 AM the next day, simply set the start time to 11:00 PM on the recording start day and the end time to 2:00 AM. There is no need to change the day of the week.

#### skipping programs

If you have already entered a program into your VCR's memory, you can skip the program without going into the VCR's menus. Simply press the POWER button on the front panel once. The programmed recording light will turn off, and the program will be skipped. If you decide not to skip the program, press the POWER button on the front panel twice; the programmed recording light will light up again.

#### changing programmed recording settings

If you want to change the programmed recording settings:

- Press the MENU button on the remote control. Your VCR will turn on and the "VCR Main Menu" will appear on your screen.
- Press the ADJUST buttons to select "Program to record." Press the ENTER button. You'll see the "recap" screen.
- Press the ADJUST buttons to place the cursor next to the program you wish to change. Press the ENTER button. You will see the "Program to record" menu.
- Repeatedly press the ENTER button to select the item you wish to change. Use the ADJUST buttons to change it.
- Use the MENU button to turn off the menus. Then, use the POWER button to turn off the VCR. Make sure the programmed recording light is on.

#### canceling a programmed recording

- Press the MENU button on the remote control. Your VCR will turn on and the "VCR Main Menu" appears on your screen. Use the ADJUST buttons on the remote control to select "Program to record." Press the ENTER button.
- 2 You will see the "recap" screen. Use the ADJUST buttons to place the cursor next to the program you wish to cancel.
- **3** Press the CANCEL button. The program is erased.
- Press the MENU button once to return to the "VCR Main Menu;" press it again to turn off the menus.

#### loading a tape for programming

If, after programming, you forget to load a tape, or if you load a tape with its erasure tab removed, then the programmed recording light and the tape status symbol will flash. A tape without an erasure tab will be ejected. To correct this, load a tape with its erasure tab intact, and turn off the VCR.

#### memory backup

If the VCR is without power for 30 seconds or less, it will retain the time and the programmed settings, provided the VCR has been plugged in for at least an hour beforehand. If the power is lost for more than 30 seconds, the time and the programmed settings will be lost.

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Now that you've learned about the basic operation of your VCR, you're ready to discover its advanced features. You'll find information on:

- Using the Advanced Playback Controls
- Displaying the Remaining Time and the Present Time
- Searching Techniques
- Using the Advanced Options
- Making a Copy of a Tape
- Using Child Lock

Before you use the advanced features, you should be familiar with all of the VCR's basic operations, including viewing a picture coming from your VCR (page 20), playing back a tape (page 22), using the menus (page 23), and recording (page 31). If you find any of the information in this section confusing, you may want to review the previous chapters.

## Using the Advanced Playback Controls

In this section, you'll discover some of the advanced playback features of your VCR. These include:

- Using special effects,
- Adjusting the tracking, and
- Using the time counter.

#### Using special effects

You can use the FF and REW buttons to control the playback speed of the tape in a step-by-step method.

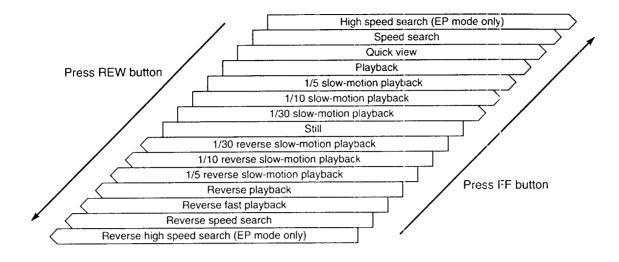
using the FF and REW buttons to control the playback speed

• While the VCR is playing a tape, press the PAUSE button on the remote control to freeze the picture or, the screen.

Press the FF or REW button. Each press of the FF button changes the playback speed by one step in the forward direction. Each press of the REW button changes the speed by one step in the reverse direction. (See the chart on the next page.)

**3** To resume normal playback, press the PLAY/STOP button.

▷**Important:** After about five minutes in the still or slow-motion mode, the VCR will automatically stop to avoid damage to the tape.



**Important:** Depending on the type of TV you are using, the picture may vibrate vertically when you pause the VCR's picture.

#### using still adjustment

Sometimes during still frame, the picture may vibrate or shake. To correct this problem, press the CHANNEL buttons on the front panel until the vibration is reduced or stops. (Side-to-side vibration cannot be corrected.)

#### using the two times playback with sound

You can see the contents of the videotape in double speed playback with Hi-Fi sound. Two times playback with sound is only used if your tape was recorded in extended (EP) speed. To do this:

• While the VCR is playing a tape, press the INPUT button on the remote control. You'll see the picture in double speed playback. A certain amount of "noise" in the picture or the sound is normal.

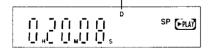
**2** To resume normal playback, press the PLAY/STOP button.

▷**Important:** If you are playing back a tape recorded in standard (SP) speed, the sound is muted.

You cannot hear the sound if you set the aucio monitor to "Mono."

#### Adjusting the tracking

#### automatic tracking



D (digital tracking) light

Your VCR automatically adjusts the tape to give you the best quality picture. When you press the PLAY/STOP button to start playback, the DIGITAL TRACKING light (D) will flash, showing that the VCR is adjusting the picture. When the VCR has finished adjusting the picture, the DIGITAL TRACKING light will shine steadily.

▷**Important:** A certain amount of "noise" in the picture or sound is normal while the VCR is tracking a tape.

#### manual tracking

From time to time, you might play a tape that has excess "noise" in the picture (often looking like vibration or interference at the top or bottom of the screen). To correct the picture, you will have to manually track the tape.

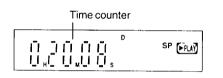
• While the tape is playing, press the CHANNEL buttons on the front panel until the picture is clear of excess "noise."

2 To continue automatic tracking, press both front panel CHANNEL buttons at the same time. Automatic tracking will also resume when you eject the tape.

#### slow tracking

Slow tracking is used to adjust the playback quality during slow motion playback and still frame. You can only use slow tracking if your tape was recorded in extended play (EP) speed. To adjust the slow tracking, put a tape into slow motion, then press the CHAN-NEL buttons on the front panel of the VCR until the best picture is obtained.

#### Using the time counter



Your VCR has a time counter that shows the amount of time the tape has run in hours, minutes, and seconds. This counter is useful when you want to find specific points on a tape. The counter will not work with blank tapes, on blank sections of tape, or when the VCR's power is off.

#### setting the counter

To set the counter to "0H00M00s," press the CANCEL button on the remote control. (You cannot reset the counter if the VCR channel number is being displayed on the TV or if you are using the VCR's menus.)

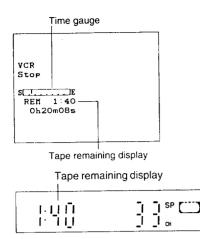
Your VCR will automatically reset the counter to "0H00M00s" when you load a tape into the VCR. It will display "-H - -M - -s" when there is no tape in the VCR.

## • Displaying the Remaining Time and the Present Time

This sections explains displaying the remaining time and present time.

## Displaying the time gauge and the remaining time

The time gauge is a graphic representation of your position on a video tape. The left side of the gauge is the start (S) of the tape, and the right side is the end (E) of the tape. For a T-120 length tape, played at standard (SP) speed, each mark on the gauge represents about 15 minutes. The remaining time display shows the time, in hours and minutes, left until the end of a tape.



The time gauge and the remaining time automatically appear:

during fast forward and rewind (from a stopped tape), during counter zero stop and during index searches.

You can turn off the time gauge and the remaining time by pressing the DISPLAY button twice.

### To make the time gauge and the remaining time appear:

Press the DISPLAY button once. The time gauge and remaining time will appear on the TV screen, and the remaining time will appear on the fluorescent display. They will disappear after four seconds when playing a tape. To turn off the display, press the DISPLAY button twice.

▷**Important:** The time gauge and remaining time work by detecting control signals on recorded tapes. They will therefore not function with tapes that have not yet been recorded. Also, you must have set the "Tape" video function correctly.

Depending on the length of the tape being used, it may take a moment for the display to appear.

The tape remaining display may not show the correct remaining time if the tape function is incorrectly set (see "Using the Audio and Video Functions" on page 28), if you are using speed search, if you are using a special length cassette (such as T-10 length), or if you are using a cassette with an adapter.

### Displaying the present time

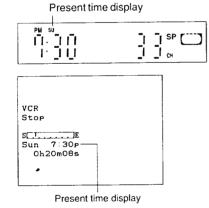
The present time display on the fluorescent display panel or on the TV screen shows the current time. If you have not set the clock, or if there has been a power failure of longer than 30 seconds, the display will show - : - -. The current time will be displayed when the VCR is off. To see the current time when the VCR is on:

- 1 Press the DISPLAY button on the remote control twice. The counter will be replaced by the present time.
- 2 To turn off the present time, press DISPLAY once.

Searching Techniques

The VCR lets you search through a tape in a number of ways. These include:

- Quick searching,
- · Speed searching,
- Using counter zero stop, and
- Index search techniques.



## **Quick searching**

This feature lets you skip over the tape you are playing in about 30 second intervals. It is designed so that you can quickly speed through any commercials you may have recorded. To do this:

- **1** Make sure that you have set the VCR remote to "VCR" mode.
- While playing a tape, choose the desired search time by pressing the number button. (See the following chart.) The VCR will speed through the selected length of tape, then resume playback.

Number button	1	2	3	4	5	6
Search	30	60	90	120	150	180
time	sec.	sec.	sec.	sec.	sec.	sec.

You can set the search time up to 3 minutes.

#### Speed searching

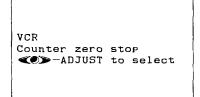
You can use speed search to visually search through the contents of a videotape. To do this:

- While playing a tape, press the FF or REW button. You will see the picture as it fast forwards or rewinds. It is normal to see some "noise bars."
- If you are playing back a tape recorded in extended (EP) speed, press the FF or REW button and hold it down for about 1 second. The search speed will increase. (In case of a tape recorded in standard (SP), the speed will not change.)
- **③** To resume normal playback, press FF or REW again quickly, or press PLAY/STOP.
- ▷**Important:** The fastest search speed that allows you to see the picture is about 15 times normal speed. Using fast forward or rewind without the picture allows you to search up to 200 times normal speed. The fastest way to move through the tape is without a picture. It is normal for the number of noise bars on the screen to increase and roll from top to bottom as the visual search speed increases.

#### Using counter zero stop

Counter zero stop is useful to quickly access to the beginning of a recorded or playback section of a tape. The VCR will automatically fast forward or rewind to "0H00M00s" and stop the tape.

Press the CANCEL button on the remote control at the point you wish to locate later. The counter will reset to "0H00M00s."



- When you wish to return to the point specified in step ①, press the AUDIO/VIDEO button on the remote control. The function menu appears on your screen. Press the AUDIO/VIDEO button until the counter zero stop function appears.
- **3** Press the ADJUST + button to start the counter zero stop.

The VCR will automatically search to the counter "0H00M00s" and then stop.

#### Index search techniques

Index search is a way to find specific points on a tape. Before using index search, index marks are placed at important places on a tape. Then, index search is used to find these marks. Index marks are added automatically whenever your VCR starts a new recording; you can also add index marks manually at any point during recording.

#### automatic index marks

Whenever recording is begun from the STOP mode, an index mark is automatically added to the tape. The on-screen message will indicate that the mark is being recorded.

**Important:** Index marks are not added when you press PAUSE to begin recording from the record-pause mode.

#### manual index marks

To add an index mark yourself, press the REC button on the remote control while a tape is recording.

>Important: Index marks must be added at least one minute apart.

To search for an index mark:

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- Press the AUDIO/VIDEO button on the remote control. The function menu appears on your screen. Press the AUDIO/ VIDEO button until the index search function appears.
- Press the ADJUST "+" button to start a forward search; press ADJUST "--" to begin a search in the reverse direction. The VCR will fast forward or rewind and index search display (below left) appears on the TV. Once the VCR finds an index mark, it will begin playing back the tape from that point.

You can press the plus (+) or minus (-) buttons up to 19 times to search for that many index marks. For example, to find the third index mark ahead, press the plus (+) button three times. The on-screen display will count down the number of marks to be passed before playback begins.

**4** To cancel index search, press PLAY/STOP.

You can make some optional setup choices. This section explains:

- Using the auto daylight saving time,
- Using the auto power saving (auto-off), and
- Setting the RF converter.

### Using the auto daylight saving time

When you set the daylight saving time setting to on, your VCR will automatically adjust the clock for Daylight Saving Time.

▷Important: With the auto daylight saving time is ON, your VCR will automatically change the clock from 2 AM to 3 AM on first Sunday in April, and change from 3 AM back to 2 AM or last Sunday in October. Remember that when you programmed on these days, your recording length may be affected because the VCR clock automatically changes.

To use the auto daylight saving time:

- 1 Press the MENU button on the remote control. The "VCR Main Menu" appears on your TV.
- **2** Use the ADJUST buttons on the remote to select "Customize choices." Press the ENTER button.
- **3** The "Customize choices" menu will appear. Use the ADJUST buttons to select "Auto D.S.T." Then, press the ENTER button to select ON.
- Press the MENU button once to return to the "VCR Main Menu;" press the MENU button a second time to turn off the menus.
- ▷Important: Do not use this feature if you live in an area that does not observe daylight savings time, such as Arizona, Indiana, or Hawaii.

## Using the auto power saving (auto-off)

With Auto power save on, your VCR will automatically turn off after 30 minutes if you are not using any of the buttons and control or there is no cassette loaded into the VCR.

To use the auto power saving:

- Press the MENU button on the remote control. The "VCR Main Menu" appears on your TV.
- **2** Use the ADJUST buttons on the remote to select "Customize choices" and press the ENTER button.

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XVCR Main Menu
Your choices are:
SProgram to record
Customize choices
⊖First Time Set-Up
ENTER to enter ADJUST to select MENU to go back

Customize choic	99r
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QAuto D.S.T.	(OFF)
<b>OAuto</b> power save	(OFF)
<b>QRF</b> converter	(ON)
ENTER to cha	nse na lect ack

- 3 The "Customize choices" menu will appear. Use the ADJUST buttons to select "Auto power save." Then, press the ENTER button to set to ON.
- Press the MENU button once to return to the "VCR Main Menu;" press the MENU button a second time to turn off the menus.
- ▷Important: When you are viewing broadcast stations through the VCR, the words "3minutes→Power off" will appear on TV screen three minutes before the VCR power turns off. The display will count down the number of minutes until the VCR turns off. If you want to continue using VCR, load a cassette or press any of the buttons.

## Setting the RF converter

If you are using an older TV without audio and video inputs, the RF converter will need to be set to ON. The setting "RF converter" of the "Customize choices" menu is preset by the factory to ON. If you are using a modern TV with both Audio and Video inputs, you will need to be set to RF converter to OFF.

To set the RF converter:

- Press the MENU button on the remote control. The "VCR Main Menu" appears on your TV.
- **2** Use the ADJUST buttons on the remcte to select "Customize choices." Press the ENTER button.
- **3** The "Customize choices" menu will appear. Use the ADJUST buttons to select "RF converter." Then, press the ENTER button to set the RF converter to ON or OFF.
- Press the MENU button once to return to the "VCR Main Menu;" press the MENU button a second time to turn off the menus.
- ▷Important: If the "RF converter" is set to ON, you don't need to press the VCR/TV button when viewing tapes. The "VCR" light will automatically light up when you press the PLAY/STOP button.

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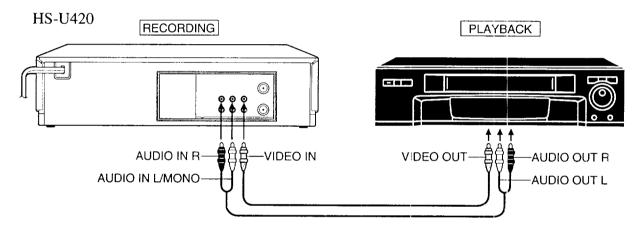
## Making a Copy of a Tape

There are two basic ways to make a copy of a tape. One way is to use the HS-U420 to play a tape and use another VCR to record. The other way is to use another VCR to play a tape and the HS-U420 to record.

Whichever method you choose, you will need one RCA audio cable and one RCA video cable to connect the two VCRs. If you do not have these cables, they are available at your local electronics retailer. In this section you'll learn:

- Using your HS-U420 to record from another VCR, and
- Using your HS-U420 to play back to another VCR.

## Using your HS-U420 to record from another VCR



- Connect one RCA audio cable to the AUDIO OUTPUT terminal on the other VCR. Connect the other end of this cable to the AUDIO INPUT terminal on the HS-U420 labeled L/MONO. If the other VCR is mono, this is the only audio connection necessary.
- If the other VCR has stereo outputs, connect another RCA audio cable to the AUDIO OUTPUT terminal of the playback VCR. Connect the other end of this cable to the AUDIO INPUT terminal on the HS-U420 (labeled R).

Connect a video cable to the VIDEO OUTPUT terminal on the playback VCR. Connect the other end of this cable to the VIDEO INPUT terminal on the HS-U420 (labeled VIDEO IN).

If the other VCR is a Hi-Fi deck, set the audio monitor to "STEREO."

- Use the INPUT buttor to set the HS-U420 to External. ("L" will be displayed on the fluorescent display.)
- Put a blank tape into the HS-U420 and find where you want to begin recording. Press PLAY/STOP.
- Put the tape you want to copy into the other VCR and find the place from which you want to begin copying. Press STOP.
- On the HS-U420, press REC, then PAUSE.
- On the other VCR, press PLAY, then PAUSE.
- Release the PAUSE button on both VCRs at the same time.
- When finished, press F'LAY/STOP (or STOP) on both VCRs.

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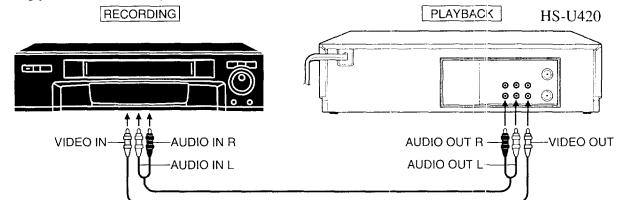
On the HS-U420, press PLAY/STOP and

Release the PAUSE button on both VCRs

Press PLAY/STOP (or STOP) on both

VCRs when you are finished.

## Using your HS-U420 to play back to another VCR



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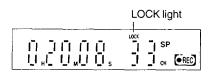
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- Connect one RCA audio cable to the AUDIO INPUT terminal on the other VCR. Connect the other end of this cable to the AUDIO OUTPUT terminal on the HS-U420 (labeled L). If the other VCR is mono, you need a Yadapter to record both audio channels.
- If the other VCR has stereo outputs, connect another RCA audio cable to the AU-DIO INPUT terminal of the other VCR. Connect the other end of this cable to the AUDIO OUTPUT terminal on the HS-U420 (labeled R).
- Connect a video cable to the VIDEO INPUT terminal on the other VCR. Connect the other end of this cable to the VIDEO OUTPUT terminal on the HS-U420 (labeled VIDEO OUT).
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Set the audio monitor on the HS-U420 to "Stereo." (See "Selecting and adjusting the audio and video functions," on page 30.)

## Using Child Lock



The child lock feature prevents others from using your VCR. To lock the VCR:

- Press and hold down the DISPLAY button on the remote control for about 8 seconds. The LOCK light on the fluores-cent display will light up.
- 2 To cancel the child lock, press and hold down the DISPLAY button for about 8 seconds, until the LOCK light goes out.

**Important:** You can lock the VCR with the power off, even if the VCR is standing by for a programmed recording. If you lock the VCR with no cassette in it, the VCR will not accept a cassette.

# Troubleshooting

Problems	Possible Solutions	For More Information
The VCR won't turn on.	<ul> <li>Check the power cord and the AC outlet.</li> <li>Is the LOCK light ON? If so, press and hold the DISPLAY button for more than 8 seconds until the LOCK light disappears.</li> </ul>	See Chapter 1, "Getting to Know Your VCR."
The VCR power is on but no controls work.	<ul> <li>Turn off the VCR, unplug the POWER CORD and then plug it again after leaving the VCR off for about 2 minutes.</li> <li>Is the LOCK light ON? If so, press and hold the DISPLAY button for more than 8 seconds until the LOCK light disappears.</li> </ul>	See Chapter 1, "Getting to Know Your VCR."
You can't see the VCR's picture on your TV.	<ul><li>Check the TV's input setting.</li><li>Check to see that your VCR is not set to "L."</li></ul>	See Chapter 3, "Operating Your VCR."
Poor picture when watch- ing the VCR's tuner on your TV.	<ul><li>Check the video channel setting.</li><li>Check your TV's fine tuning.</li></ul>	Se∍ Chapter 3, "Operating Your VCR."
VCR REC button doesn't function.	• Check the erasure prevention tab on the cassette.	Se∋ Chapter 3, "Operating Your VCR."
No picture during recording.	<ul> <li>Check the hook-up.</li> <li>Check to see if your TV is set to the correct channel or input.</li> </ul>	See Chapter 2, "Connect- ing; Your VCR" or Chapter 3, "Operating Your VCR."
VCR does not record TV.	<ul> <li>Check the VCR tuning.</li> <li>Check the input selection on the VCR. Does the front panel display show "L"? If so, you must switch it to tuner by pressing the INPUT button.</li> </ul>	See Chapter 3, "Operating Your VCR."
The VCR timer recording does not operate.	<ul><li>Check that the programmed recording light lights up on the fluorescent display.</li><li>Check the clock time.</li></ul>	See Chapter 3, "Operating Your VCR."
Noise in the picture and distorted sound.	Check the tracking control. Adjust manually if necessary.	See Chapter 4, "Using the Advanced Features."
Poor or no Hi-Fi sound.	<ul><li>Check the monitor settings.</li><li>Check the quality of the video tape.</li></ul>	See Chapter 3, "Operating Your VCR."
Playback is noisy or "snowy".	<ul> <li>Clean the video heads using a dry-type video head cleaning cassette. Do not use a wet-type cleaning cassette, as it may damage your VCR. Excessive use of a cleaning cassette could shorten head life. Be sure to follow the cleaning instructions carefully.</li> <li>Have your VCR video heads cleaned by a qualified service technician.</li> </ul>	
VCR remote does not function.	<ul> <li>Press the VCR button on the remote control before operating your VCR.</li> <li>Press the TV button on the remote control before operating your TV.</li> </ul>	See Chapter 3, "Operating Your VCR."



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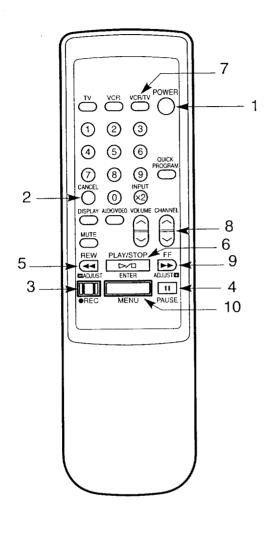
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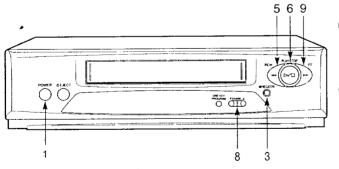
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## Guía de Operación Básica de la Videograbadora





### Funciones básicas de los botones

- botón de encendido (POWER) Oprima este botón para encender y apagar la videograbadora.
- (2) botón de cancelación (CANCEL) Utilice este botón para cancelar selecciones en los menús en pantalla.
- (3) botón de grabación (REC, REC/OTR) Utilice este botón para comenzar la grabación.
- (4) botón de pausa (PAUSE)
   Utilice este botón para pausar una cinta.
- (5) botón de rebobinado, búsqueda hacia atrás y ajuste (REW, ADJUST -) Oprima este botón para rebobinar la cinta o hacer una búsqueda hacia atrás. También utilice este botón para seleccionar o ajustar artículos de menú.
- (6) botón de reproducción, parada e ingreso (PLAY, STOP, ENTER) Oprima este botón para comenzar la reproducción de la cinta, oprima de nuevo para detener la cinta. Durante el uso de los menús en pantalla, utilice este botón para fijar selecciones de menú.
- botón de modalidad (VCR/TV)
   Oprima este botón para cambiar entre el sintonizador o salida de la videograbadora, y el sintonizador del televisor.
- (8) botón de canales (CHANNEL) Oprima estos botones para cambiar canales en la videograbadora.
- (9) botón de adelantado, búsqueda hacia adelante y ajuste (FF, ADJUST+) Oprima este botón para adelantar la cinta o hacer una búsqueda hacia adelante. También, utilice este botón para seleccionar o ajustar artículos de menú.
- (10) botón de menú (MENU) Oprima este botón para utilizar el sistema operativo de menús en pantalla.

Si desea obtener una guía para esta videograbadora en Español, sívase llamar al (800) 553-7278 o (770) 734-5526.

Select Language Q English DESPANOL O Français ENTER to enter ADJUST to select MENU to so back

A Menú Principal Sus selecciones son: Programar grabaciónes Controles Especiales Programación Inicial ENTER - confirmar ADJUST-seleccionar MENU para volver Programación Inicial Sus selecciones son: Poner el reloj Memorizar canales

ENTER - confirmar ADJUST-seleccionar MENU para volver

Añadir/borrar canales

Cana O Cana O Día	ramar grab	aciónes	
⊖Hora ⊖Hora	comienza terminado grabado	: : AUTO	
ENTER Confirmar ADJUST-seleccionar MENU para volver			

Cómo seleccionar el idioma de el sistema operativo de menús en pantalla

- Si nunca se ha usado la videograbadora, vaya al paso 3.
- 2 Desenchufe la videograbadora por más de dos minutos, y vuelvala a enchufar.
- 3 Oprima el botón POWER para encender la videograbadora.
- Oprima el botón MENU en el control remoto.
- Verá el menú de seleccionar el idioma "Select Language." Utilice los botones de ajuste ADJUST -- o + en el control remoto para seleccionar el idioma.
- O Después de que haya seleccionado el idioma que deseado, oprima el botón PLAY/STOP/ENTER, luego oprima el botón MENU para salir de los menús.

## Cómo poner el reloj

- Oprima el botón MENU para ver el menú "Menú Principal."
- Utilice los botones de ajuste ADJUST o + en el control remoto para seleccionar el menú "Programación Inicial", luego oprima el botón PLAY/STOP/ENTER.
- Utilice los botones de ajuste ADJUST o + en el control remoto para seleccionar el menú "Poner el reloj", luego oprima el botón PLAY/STOP/ENTER.
- Utilice los botones de ajuste ADJUST o + y el botón PLAY/ STOP/ENTER para ajustar el mes, año, día, hora y selección de hora de verano.
- Al completar los ajustes para poner el reloj, oprima el botón PLAY/STOP/ENTER, luego oprima el botón MENU repetidamente para salir de los menús.

## Cómo programar la videograbadora par grabar

- Oprima el botón MENU para ver el menú "Menú Principal."
- 2 Utilice los botones de ajuste ADJUST o + para seleccionar el menú "Programar grabaciones " Luego oprima el botón PLAY/ STOP/ENTER.
- Utilice los botones de ajuste ADJUST o + y el botón PLAY/ STOP/ENTER para ajustar el canal, el día, la hora de comienzo, la hora de terminado y la velocidad de la grabación.
- Al completar la programación de grabaciones, oprima el botón PLAY/STOP/ENTER, luego oprima el botón MENU repetidamente para salir de los menús.

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