

Symbols and Conventions

To make it easier to find the information you need, the following symbols and conventions are used:



This icon marks cautions, information that should be read before use to prevent damage to the camera.



This icon marks notes, information that should be read before using the camera.



This icon marks tips, additional information that may be helpful when using the camera.



This icon indicates that more information is available elsewhere in this manual or in the Ouick Start Guide

Memory Cards

Pictures taken with this camera can be stored in the camera's internal memory or on removable memory cards. If a memory card is inserted, all new pictures will be stored on the memory card and delete, playback, and format operations will apply only to the pictures on the memory card. The memory card must be removed before the internal memory can be formatted or used to store, delete, or view pic-

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For Your Safety

To prevent damage to your Nikon product or injury to yourself or to others, read the following safety precautions in their entirety before using this equipment. Keep these safety instructions where all those who use the product will read them.

The consequences that could result from failure to observe the precautions listed in this section are indicated by the following symbol:



This icon marks warnings, information that should be read before using this Nikon product to prevent possible injury.

WARNINGS



Turn off in the event of malfunction

Should you notice smoke or an unusual smell coming from the camera or AC adapter, unplug the AC adapter and remove the battery immediately, taking care to avoid burns. Continued operation could result in injury. After removing or disconnecting the power source, take the equipment to a Nikon-authorized service representative for inspection.



Do not disassemble

Touching the internal parts of the camera or AC adapter could result in injury. Repairs should be performed only by qualified technicians. Should the camera or AC adapter break open as the result of a fall or other accident, take the product to a Nikon-authorized service representative for inspection after unplugging the product and/or removing the battery.



Do not use the camera or AC adapter in the presence of flammable gas

Do not use electronic equipment in the presence of flammable gas, as this could result in explosion or fire.



Mandle the camera strap with care

Never place the strap around the neck of an infant or child



Keep out of reach of children

Particular care should be taken to prevent infants from putting the batteries or other small parts into their mouths.



Observe caution when handling batteries

Batteries may leak or explode if improperly handled. Observe the following precautions when handling batteries for use in this product:

- · Before replacing the battery, turn the product off. If you are using the AC adapter, be sure it is unpluaged.
- · Use only rechargeable Nikon EN-EL8 lithium-ion batteries (supplied). Charge the battery either by inserting it in the camera and connecting the supplied AC adapter, or by inserting it in a MH-62 battery charger (available separately).
- · When inserting the battery, do not attempt to insert it upside down or backwards.
- · Do not short or disassemble batteries.
- · Do not expose batteries to flame or to excessive heat
- Do not immerse in or expose to water.
- · Replace the terminal cover when transporting the battery. Do not transport or store with metal objects such as necklaces or hairpins.
- · Batteries are prone to leakage when fully discharged. To avoid damage to the product, be sure to remove the battery when no charge remains.
- · Discontinue use immediately should you notice any change in the battery, such as discoloration or deformation.
- If liquid from damaged batteries comes in contact with clothing or skin, rinse immediately with plenty of water.



Observe the following precautions when handling the AC adapter

- · Use only adapters designated for use with this product.
- · Keep dry. Failure to observe this precaution could result in fire or electric shock.
- Dust on or near the metal parts of the plug should be removed with a dry cloth. Continued use could result in fire.
- · Do not handle the power cable or go near the adapter during thunderstorms. Failure to observe this precaution could result in electric shock
- · Do not damage, modify, forcibly tug or bend the power cable, place it under heavy objects, or expose it to heat or flame. Should the insulation be damaged and the wires become exposed, take it to a Nikonauthorized service representative for inspection. Failure to observe these precautions could result in fire or electric shock.
- · Do not handle the plug or battery charger with wet hands. Failure to observe this precaution could result in electric shock.



Follow the instructions of hospital and airline personnel

This device emits radio frequency radiation that could interfere with medical or navigational equipment. Do not use this device in a hospital or on board an airplane without first obtaining the permission of hospital or airline staff.



Use appropriate cables

When connecting cables to the input and output jacks, use only the cables provided or sold by Nikon for the purpose, to maintain compliance with product regulations.



Mandle moving parts with care

Be careful that your fingers or other objects are not pinched by the lens cover or other moving parts.



The CD-ROMs supplied with this device should not be played back on audio CD equipment. Playing CD-ROMs on an audio CD player could cause hearing loss or damage the equipment.



Observe caution when operating the flash

Using the flash close to your subject's eyes could cause temporary visual impairment. Particular care should be observed if photographing infants, when the flash should be no less than one meter (39 in.) from the subject.



Do not fire the flash while it is touching a person or object

Such use can result in the person being burned, and/or their clothes igniting from the heat of the flash.



Avoid contact with liquid crystal

Should the monitor break, care should be taken to avoid injury due to broken glass and to prevent liquid crystal from the monitor touching the skin or entering the eves or mouth.

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- No part of the manuals included with this product may be reproduced, transmitted, transcribed, stored in a retrieval system, or translated into any language in any form, by any means, without Nikon's prior written permission.
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- Nikon will not be held liable for any damages resulting from the use of this product.
- While every effort has been made to ensure that the information in these manuals is accurate and complete, we would appreciate it were you to bring any errors or omissions to the attention of the Nikon representative in your area (address provided separately).

This product, which contains encryption software developed in the United States, is controlled by the United States Export Administration Regulations and may not be exported or re-exported to any country to which the United States embargoes goods. As of November 2005 the following countries were subject to embargo: Cuba, Iran, North Korea, Libya, Sudan, and Syria.

Notice for Customers in the U.S.A.

U.S.A. Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Declaration of Conformity

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

Products that contain a radio transmitter are labeled with FCC ID and may also carry the FCC logo.

FCC Radio Frequency Interference Statement

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/ television technician for help.

FCC Radiation Exposure Statement

The available scientific evidence does not show that any health problems are associated with using low power wireless devices. There is no proof, however, that these low power wireless devices are absolutely safe. Low power Wireless devices emit low levels of radio frequency energy (RF) in the microwave range while being used. Whereas high levels of RF can produce health effects (by heating tissue), exposure to low-level RF that does not produce heating effects causes no known adverse health effects. Many studies of low-level RF exposures have not found any biological effects. Some studies have suggested that some biological effects might occur, but such findings have not been confirmed by ad-

ditional research. Digital Camera (COOLPIX S6) has been tested and found to comply with FCC radiation exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled equipment and meets the FCC radio frequency (RF) Exposure Guidelines in Supplement C to OET65. The maximum SAR levels tested for Digital Camera (COOLPIX S6) has been show to be 0.094 W/kg at Body.

This device should not be co-located or operated in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter.

CAUTIONS

Modifications

The FCC requires the user to be notified that any changes or modifications made to this device that are not expressly approved by Nikon Corporation may void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

Notice for Customers in Canada CAUTION

This class B digital apparatus meets all requirements of the Canadian Interference Causing Equipment Regulations.

RSS-GEN Exposure of Humans to RF Fields

The installer of this radio equipment must ensure that the antenna is located or pointed such that it does not emit RF field in excess of Health Canada limits for the general population; consult Safety Code 6, obtainable from Health Canada's website www.hc-sc.ac.ca/rob

Disposing of Data Storage Devices

Please note that deleting images or formatting data storage devices such as memory cards or built-in camera memory does not completely erase the original image data. Deleted files can sometimes be recovered from discarded storage devices using commercially available software, potentially resulting in the malicious use of personal image data. Ensuring the privacy of such data is the user's responsibility.

Before discarding a data storage device or transferring ownership to another person, erase all data using commercial deletion software, or format the device and then completely refill it with images containing no private information (for example, pictures of empty sky). Be sure to also replace any pictures selected for the welcome screen. Care should be taken to avoid injury or damage to property when physically destroying data storage devices.

Interface Cables

Use the interface cables sold or provided by Nikon for your equipment. Using other interface cables may exceed the limits of Class B Part 15 of the FCC rules.

Notice for customers in the State of California

WARNING: Handling the cord on this product will expose you to lead, a chemical known to the State of California to cause birth defects or other reproductive harm. *Wash hands after handling*.

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ATTENTION

Cet appareil numérique de la classe B respecte toutes les exigences du Règlement sur le matériel brouilleur du Canada

Symbol for Separate Collection in European Countries

This symbol indicates that this product is to be collected separately.

The following apply only to users in European countries:

- This product is designated for separate collection at an appropriate collection point. Do not dispose of as household waste.
- For more information, contact the retailer or the local authorities in charge of waste management.



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Note that simply being in possession of material that has been digitally copied or reproduced by means of a scanner, digital camera or other device may be punishable by law.

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Do not copy or reproduce paper money, coins, securities, government bonds, or local government bonds, even if such copies or reproductions are stamped "Sample."

The copying or reproduction of paper money, coins, or securities which are circulated in a foreign country is prohibited.

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The government has issued cautions on copies or reproductions of securities issued by private companies (shares, bills, checks, gift certificates, etc.), commuter passes, or coupon tickets, except when a minimum of necessary copies are to be provided for business use by a company. Also, do not copy or reproduce passports issued by the government, licenses issued by public agencies and private groups, ID cards, and tickets, such as passes and meal coupons.

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The copying or reproduction of copyrighted creative works such as books, music, paintings, woodcut prints, maps, drawings, movies, and photographs is governed by national and international copyright laws. Do not use this product for the purpose of making illegal copies or to infringe copyright laws.

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Use Only Nikon Brand Electronic Accessories

Nikon COOLPIX cameras are designed to the highest standards and include complex electronic circuitry. Only Nikon brand electronic accessories (including battery chargers, batteries, and AC adapters) certified by Nikon specifically for use with this Nikon digital camera are engineered and proven to operate within the operational and safety requirements of this electronic circuitry.

The use of non-Nikon electronic accessories could damage the camera and may void your Nikon warranty.

For more information about Nikon brand accessories, contact a local authorized Nikon dealer.

*Holographic seal: Identifies this kon Nikon Niko device as an authentic Nikon PAIN UONIN UO product.





EN-EL8 rechargeable batterv

Introduction

Thank you for your purchase of a Nikon COOLPIX 56 digital camera. This manual has been written to help you enjoy taking pictures with your Nikon digital camera. Please be sure to read all instructions thoroughly to get the most from the camera, and keep them where they will be read by all those who use the product.

Before Taking Important Pictures

Before taking pictures on important occasions (such as at weddings or before taking the camera on a trip), take a test shot to ensure that the camera is functioning normally. Nikon will not be held liable for damages or lost profits that may result from product malfunction.

Life-Long Learning

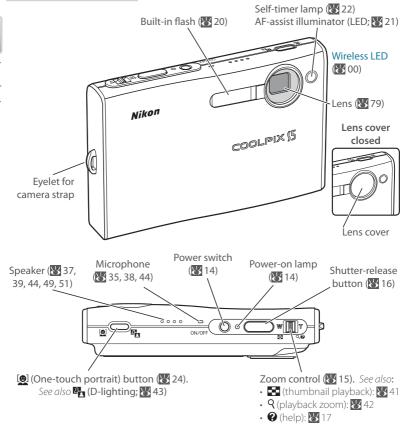
As part of Nikon's "Life-Long Learning" commitment to ongoing product support and education, continually-updated information is available on-line at the following sites:

- For users in the U.S.A.: http://www.nikonusa.com/
- For users in Europe and Africa: http://www.europe-nikon.com/support
- For users in Asia, Oceania, and the Middle East: http://www.nikon-asia.com/

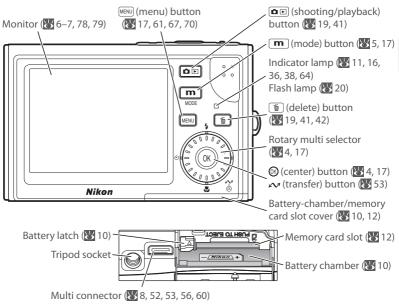
Visit these sites to keep up-to-date with the latest product information, tips, answers to frequently-asked questions (FAQs), and general advice on digital imaging and photography. Additional information may be available from the Nikon representative in your area. See the URL below for contact information:

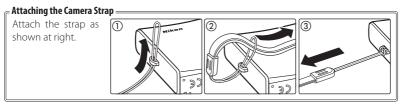
http://nikonimaging.com/

Parts of the Camera









The Rotary Multi Selector =

The rotary multi selector is used to navigate the camera menus. Rotate in either direction to highlight items and press the center 6 to select. To cancel and return to the previous menu, press the rotary multi selector to the left.







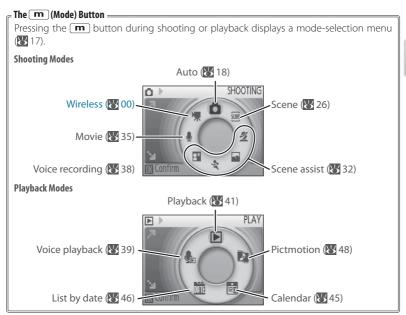
Items can also be highlighted by pressing the rotary multi selector up, down, left, or right.





Menu Help -

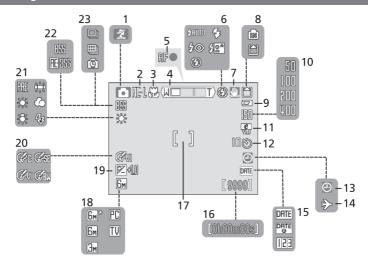
For help on the current menu or menu item, press the zoom control to **T** (**2**): 17).



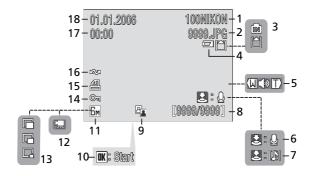
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The following indicators may appear in the monitor during shooting and playback (actual display varies with current camera settings):

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Playback



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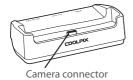
^{*} Display differs in calendar and list-by-date modes (\$\frac{15}{47}\$).

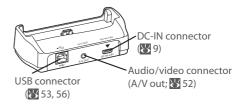
The COOL-STATION and AC Adapter

The COOL-STATION

The supplied MV-15 COOL-STATION can be used to:

- View pictures on a television (\$\overline{\
- Charge the camera battery (W 11) Copy pictures to a computer (W 52)
 - Print pictures via direct USB connection (55)





Placing the Camera in the COOL-STATION



The multi connector should be fully inserted in the COOL-STATION camera connector as shown.

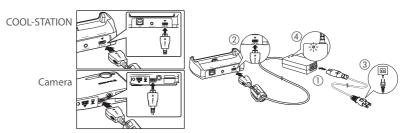
Removing the Camera



Remove the camera as shown

The AC Adapter

The supplied EH-64 AC adapter can charge the battery in the camera (**11**) or power the camera for playback, data transfer, or printing (*do not use any other make or model of AC adapter*; failure to observe this precaution could result in fire or product malfunction). Connect the power cord (①) and plug the adapter into the COOL-STATION or camera (②), making sure the plugs are in the correct orientation. Plug the adapter in (③) and check that the power lamp is lit (④).



The EH-64 AC Adapter

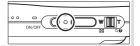
The supplied power cord is intended solely for use with the EH-64 and is for domestic use only. It may be necessary to purchase another cable for use abroad; consult with a local Nikon-authorized retailer or service representative.

Inserting the Battery

The camera uses a rechargeable EN-EL8 Li-ion battery (supplied).

Turn the camera off

If the power-on lamp is lit, press the power switch to turn the camera off



 $2 \begin{array}{l} {\sf Open \ the \ battery\text{-}chamber/memory \ card \ slot} \\ {\sf cover} \end{array}$



3 Insert the battery

The orange battery latch is pushed aside as the battery is inserted. The battery is fully inserted when the latch clicks back into place.

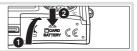


✓ Inserting the Battery

Inserting the battery upside down or backwards could damage the camera. Check to be sure the battery is in the correct orientation.



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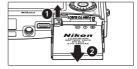


Batteries

Read and follow the warnings and cautions on pages ii–iii and 79 of this manual.

Removing the Battery

Turn the camera off before removing or inserting batteries. To eject the battery, open the battery-chamber/memory card slot cover and slide the battery latch in the direction shown. The battery can then be removed by hand. Note that the battery may become hot during use; observe due caution when removing the battery.

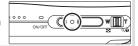


Charging the Battery

Charge the battery before first use or when the battery is running low.

Turn the camera off

If the power-on lamp is lit, press the power switch to turn the camera off



2 Connect the AC adapter
Connect the AC adapter directly to the camera or place the camera in the COOL-STATION and connect the AC adapter (> 9).

Charge the battery

The indicator lamp next to the camera monitor will blink green as the battery charges. (If the lamp flickers rapidly, the camera is not correctly inserted or the battery is faulty. Reinsert the camera or replace the battery.)



Charging is complete when the indicator lamp stops blinking (a fully exhausted battery will recharge in about two hours). Remove the camera from the COOL-STATION and unplug the AC adapter.



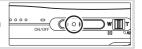
Inserting Memory Cards

Pictures are stored in the camera's internal memory (approximately 22 MB) or on removable Secure Digital (SD) memory cards (877). Internal memory is used for recording and deleting pictures only if no memory card is inserted.

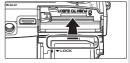
To insert a memory card:

Turn the camera off

If the power-on lamp is lit, press the power switch to turn the camera off.

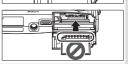


2 Insert the memory card
Open the battery-chamber/memory card slot cover and slide the memory card in until it clicks into place. Close the memory card slot cover.



Inserting Memory Cards

Check to be sure the card is in the correct orientation. Inserting the card upside down or backwards could damage the camera or the card.



Press the power switch to turn the camera on If no message is displayed in the monitor, the camera is ready for use.



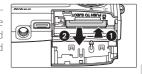
If the message shown at right is displayed, the memory card must be formatted before use. Note that formatting permanently deletes all pictures and other data on the memory card. Be sure to make copies of any pictures you wish to keep before beginning formattina.



To begin formatting, rotate the rotary multi selector to highlight **Yes** and then press the button. Do not turn the camera off or remove the batteries or memory card until formatting is complete.

Removing Memory Cards

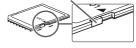
Before removing memory cards, *turn the camera off* and confirm that the power-on and indicator lamps are off. Open the battery-chamber/memory card slot cover and press the card in to partially eject the card. The card can then be removed by hand.



The Write Protect Switch

SD cards are equipped with a write protect switch. Pictures can not be recorded or deleted and the memory card can not be formatted when this switch is in the "lock" position.

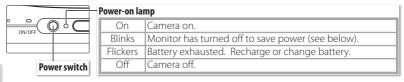




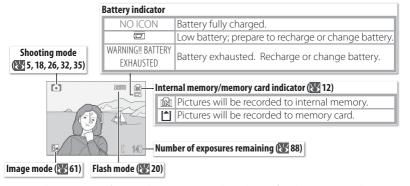
Camera Operations

Turning the Camera on and Off

To turn the camera on, press the power switch. The power-on lamp will light...



and the monitor will turn on



To turn the camera off, press the power switch and wait for the power-on lamp to turn off.

Turning the Camera on (Playback Mode)

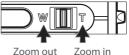
If the **b** button is pressed for about a second when the camera is off, the camera will turn on in playback mode (**3** 41).

Auto Power off (Stand-by Mode)

In shooting mode, the monitor will dim to reduce the drain on the battery if no operations are performed for about five seconds. The monitor will brighten when camera controls are used. At default settings, the monitor will turn off altogether if no operations are performed for about a minute during shooting and playback (stand-by mode; 75). The camera will turn off automatically if no operations are performed for another three minutes.

Zoom

The zoom control is used to frame subjects in the monitor. Select W to zoom out, increasing the area visible in the frame. Select \mathbf{T} to zoom in up to $3 \times$ so that the subject fills a larger area of the frame. The amount of zoom is displayed in the monitor.



Zoom in



Indicator is displayed when zoom control is pressed

Optical zoom (up to 3 x)

Indicator turns yellow when digital zoom is in effect

Holding the control to \mathbf{T} for about two seconds at $3 \times zoom$ will trigger digital zoom, allowing the subject to be magnified up to 4× more, for a total of magnification of 12×.



Unlike optical zoom, digital zoom does not increase the amount of detail visible in the picture. Instead, details visible at 3 × zoom are simply enlarged, producing a slightly "grainy" image.

Focus and Shutter Release

The camera features a two-stage shutter-release button. First, lightly press the shutter-release button about halfway, stopping when you feel resistance. Once the camera has focused, press the shutter-release button the rest of the way down to release the shutter and take a picture.

Focus: Press the shutter-release button halfway. If the camera is able to focus on the subject in the focus area at the center of the frame, the focus (AF●) indicator and focus area will be displayed in green. If they blink red, the camera was unable to focus. Change the composition and try again.



2 **Shoot**: Gently press the shutter release button the rest of the way down (moving the camera when releasing the shutter may result in blurred pictures). The flash may fire if the subject is poorly lit.



During Recording

While pictures are being recorded, the \bigcirc or \square icon will blink and the indicator lamp will blink green. Removing memory cards or batteries while these indicators are blinking or the \square (wait) icon is displayed could affect pictures or damage the camera or card.

Using Menus

To make a selection from the shooting or playback menus, press the well button and follow the steps below:



^{*} In some cases, menu items can also be selected by pressing rotary multi selector to right.

To make a selection from the shooting or playback mode menus, press the **m** button and follow the steps below:





Lost? =

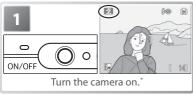
For help on the current menu, press the zoom control to T (2). Press the (9) button to display the options for the selected item. To return to the original menu, press the zoom control to **T** (**2**), or press the MENU button to return to shooting or playback.

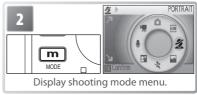


Basic Photography and Playback

Mode

This section describes how to take pictures in (auto) mode, an automatic, "point-and-shoot" mode recommended for first-time users of digital cameras.





* If a is displayed in monitor, camera is already in a mode. Proceed to Step 5.







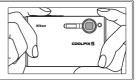




Take picture. If lighting is poor, AF-assist illuminator may light when camera focuses and flash may fire when picture is taken (\$\mathbb{V}\$ 20, 21).

Holding the Camera =

Hold the camera steadily in both hands, keeping your fingers and other objects away from the lens, flash, self-timer lamp, and microphone.



Viewing Pictures

Press the 🗖 button to display a picture in the monitor (if the picture was taken with the camera rotated 90°, it will be displayed in "tall" orientation). Use the rotary multi selector to view additional pictures: rotate the rotary multi selector clockwise to view pictures in the order recorded, counter-clockwise to view pictures in reverse order. Rotate quickly to scroll rapidly to the desired picture. Pictures may be displayed briefly at low resolution while being read from memory.



Press the button again to return to shooting mode.

Deleting Unwanted Pictures

To delete the picture currently displayed in the monitor, press the button. A confirmation dialog will be displayed; highlight one of the following options and press the @ button:





- No: Exit without deleting the picture.
- Yes: Delete the picture.

Deleting the Last Shot =

To delete the most recent picture, press the button while the camera is in shooting mode. A confirmation dialog will be displayed; highlight Yes and press (1) to delete the last shot taken.

The Rotary Multi Selector

As an alternative to rotating the rotary multi selector, press the rotary multi selector down or right to view pictures in the order recorded, up or left to view pictures in reverse order. Keep pressed to scroll rapidly to the desired picture.

Using the Flash

The flash has a range of 0.3–2.6 m (1 ft.–8 ft. 6 in.) when the camera is zoomed all the way out. The range at maximum zoom is 0.3–1.4 m (1 ft.–4 ft. 7 in.). The following flash modes are available:

	Mode	Description
Sauro	Auto	Flash fires automatically when lighting is poor.
5⁄⊚	Auto with red- eye reduction	Reduces "red eye" in portraits (see following page).
	Flash Cancel (off)	Flash will not fire even when lighting is poor.
3	,	Flash fires whenever picture is taken. Use to "fill-in" (illuminate) shadows and back-lit subjects.
<u> 42°</u>	Slow sync	Flash illuminates main subject; slow shutter speeds are used to capture background at night or under dim light.







Make selection (to exit without changing mode, wait five seconds). Selection is shown by icon in display. Selection for ♠ mode is stored in memory even when camera is off.

The Flash Lamp

The flash lamp shows flash status when the shutter-release button is pressed halfway.

- On (red): Flash will fire when picture is taken
- **Blinks red**: Flash charging. Wait a few seconds and try again.
- Off: Flash off or not required.

