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Model: M-560V

INTRODUCTION

The Sony Pressman M-560V Microcassette Voice Recorder is designed for convenient and reliable audio recording. This compact device features Voice Operated Recording (VOR), Sony-matic Automatic Recording Level Control, and a Clear Voice Plus system for enhanced sound quality. It offers extended battery life, making it suitable for various recording needs.



Figure 1: Sony M-560V Microcassette Voice Recorder (packaged)

PRODUCT FEATURES

- **Voice Operated Recording (VOR):** Activates recording only when audible sound is present, conserving tape and battery life.
- **Sony-matic Automatic Recording Level Control:** Automatically adjusts recording levels for optimal sound quality.
- **Clear Voice Plus System:** Enhances recording quality for clearer playback.
- **Built-In Microphone:** Provides convenience by eliminating the need for an external microphone.
- **Extended Battery Life:** Up to 30 hours of operation on two AAA batteries.
- **Voice Mirror:** Confirms recording status with LED illumination.

- **3-Digit Tape Counter:** Helps locate specific recordings on the microcassette.
- **Easy Correction Function:** Allows for simple editing during recording.

SETUP

1. Battery Installation

1. Locate the battery compartment cover on the back of the recorder.
2. Slide the cover open.
3. Insert two AAA batteries, ensuring correct polarity (+/-) as indicated inside the compartment.
4. Close the battery compartment cover securely.

2. Microcassette Insertion

1. Press the EJECT button to open the cassette compartment.
2. Insert a microcassette tape with the exposed tape facing the recording head and the side to be recorded (A or B) facing up.
3. Gently close the cassette compartment until it clicks into place.



Figure 2: Inserting a Microcassette Tape

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Recording

1. Ensure a microcassette is inserted and batteries are installed.
2. Slide the **REC/BATT** switch to the **REC** position. The recording indicator will light up.
3. To use Voice Operated Recording (VOR), slide the **VOR** switch to **ON**. Recording will start automatically when sound is detected and pause during silence.
4. To stop recording, slide the **REC/BATT** switch to **OFF** or press the **STOP** button.

Playback

1. Ensure a recorded microcassette is inserted.

2. Press the **PLAY** button. The recording will begin to play through the built-in speaker.
3. Adjust the volume using the **VOLUME** control.
4. To stop playback, press the **STOP** button.
5. Use the **REW** (Rewind) and **FF** (Fast Forward) buttons to navigate through the tape.

Connecting to a Computer (for audio transfer)

To transfer audio from the microcassette recorder to a computer, you will need a 3.5mm audio cable (not included). This cable connects the earphone jack of the recorder to the microphone input of your computer. This method provides a clearer audio transfer by bypassing ambient room noise that would be picked up by the computer's built-in microphone.

MAINTENANCE

- **Cleaning:** Regularly clean the recording head and pinch roller with a cotton swab lightly dampened with isopropyl alcohol. Ensure the device is powered off and batteries are removed before cleaning.
- **Battery Care:** Remove batteries if the recorder will not be used for an extended period to prevent leakage.
- **Storage:** Store the recorder in a cool, dry place away from direct sunlight, dust, and extreme temperatures.
- **Tape Protection:** Microcassette tapes can be protected from accidental overwriting by breaking off the small tabs on the cassette's edge.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Solution
No power / Recorder does not turn on.	Check if batteries are inserted correctly with proper polarity. Replace with fresh AAA batteries.
Poor recording quality.	Ensure the microphone is not obstructed. Clean the recording head. Use a new microcassette tape. Check battery level.
Tape does not move or jams.	Check if the microcassette tape is inserted correctly. Ensure the tape is not damaged. Clean the pinch roller.
No sound during playback.	Adjust the volume control. Ensure headphones are not plugged in if using the speaker. Check if the tape was recorded correctly.

SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Brand	Sony
Model Number	M-560V
Recording Format	Microcassette
Microphone	Built-In
Microphone Operation Mode	Speech Recognition (VOR)
Headphones Jack	3.5 mm
Power Source	2 AAA batteries
Battery Average Life	30 Hours
Item Weight	0.6 Pounds

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For specific warranty information, technical support, or service inquiries, please refer to the documentation included with your product or visit the official Sony support website. Keep your purchase receipt for warranty validation.

