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Metz MZ 5563 Wide Angle Adapter User Manual

Model: MZ 5563 | Brand: Metz

Introduction

The Metz MZ 5563 Wide Angle Adapter is designed as a replacement accessory for Metz 45CT3, 45CT4, and 45CT5 flashes. This adapter is crucial for achieving a wider light spread, which is particularly useful in situations requiring broader illumination, such as group photos or wide-angle photography. It ensures optimal light distribution when using your Metz flash with wide-angle lenses.

Setup

To properly attach the Metz MZ 5563 Wide Angle Adapter to your compatible Metz flash unit, follow these steps:

1. **Identify the Flash Head:** Locate the front of your Metz 45CT3, 45CT4, or 45CT5 flash unit where light is emitted.
2. **Align the Adapter:** Take the MZ 5563 Wide Angle Adapter. Observe its shape and the small tab on the top edge. Align the adapter with the flash head, ensuring the tab faces upwards and the textured side faces outwards.
3. **Slide into Place:** Gently slide the adapter onto the flash head. It should fit snugly and securely. Do not force the adapter if it does not slide easily; re-check alignment.
4. **Verify Secure Attachment:** Once attached, lightly tug on the adapter to ensure it is firmly seated and will not accidentally detach during use.



Image: The Metz MZ 5563 Wide Angle Adapter. This clear plastic accessory features a textured, ridged surface designed to diffuse and widen the light beam from a compatible Metz flash. A small, clear tab is visible on the top edge, used for alignment and secure attachment to the flash head.

Operating Instructions

Once the MZ 5563 Wide Angle Adapter is securely attached to your Metz flash, its operation is integrated with your flash unit's normal functions. The adapter passively modifies the light output.

- **Automatic Light Dispersion:** The adapter automatically widens the flash beam to cover a broader area, making it suitable for wide-angle lenses.
- **Flash Settings:** Continue to use your flash unit's standard power settings, TTL modes, or manual adjustments as you normally would. The adapter's function is purely optical and does not require electronic configuration.
- **Testing:** It is recommended to perform a test shot after attaching the adapter to observe the modified light spread and adjust camera or flash settings as needed for desired exposure.

Care and Maintenance

To ensure the longevity and optimal performance of your Metz MZ 5563 Wide Angle Adapter, follow these maintenance guidelines:

- **Cleaning:** Use a soft, lint-free cloth, preferably microfiber, to gently wipe the adapter. For stubborn smudges, slightly dampen the cloth with water or a mild, non-abrasive lens cleaning solution. Avoid harsh chemicals or abrasive materials that could scratch the plastic surface.
- **Storage:** When not in use, store the adapter in a clean, dry place, away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures. Keeping it in a protective pouch or case can prevent scratches and dust accumulation.
- **Handling:** Handle the adapter by its edges to avoid leaving fingerprints on the light-diffusing surface, which could affect light quality.

Troubleshooting

If you encounter any issues with your Metz MZ 5563 Wide Angle Adapter, consider the following common scenarios:

- **Adapter Does Not Fit:**
  - Ensure you are attempting to attach it to a compatible Metz flash model (45CT3, 45CT4, 45CT5).
  - Verify the adapter's orientation; the small tab should be facing upwards.
  - Check for any obstructions or debris on the flash head or adapter.
- **Uneven Light Spread:**
  - Inspect the adapter for smudges, dust, or scratches on its textured surface. Clean as per maintenance instructions.
  - Ensure the adapter is fully and securely seated on the flash head.
- **Reduced Light Output:**
  - A wide-angle adapter naturally diffuses light over a larger area, which can result in a perceived reduction in intensity compared to a bare flash. This is normal.
  - Adjust your flash power settings or camera ISO/aperture to compensate for the wider spread.

Specifications

Feature	Detail
Model Number	MZ 5563
Brand	Metz
Compatibility	Metz 45CT3, 45CT4, 45CT5 Flashes
Material	Clear Plastic
Function	Wide Angle Light Diffusion
Package Dimensions	4.1 x 2.9 x 1.8 inches (10.414 x 7.366 x 4.572 cm)
Item Weight	0.8 ounces (0.02 kg)
UPC	719821161899

Warranty and Support

This Metz MZ 5563 Wide Angle Adapter is designed for durability and performance. For specific warranty information, please refer to the documentation provided with your original Metz flash unit or contact Metz customer support directly. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase.
For technical assistance or further inquiries, please visit the official Metz website or contact their authorized service centers. Contact information can typically be found on the manufacturer's website or in the original product packaging.

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