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Model: DMC-LS2

INTRODUCTION

This manual provides essential information for the safe and effective operation of your Panasonic Lumix DMC-LS2 Digital Camera. The DMC-LS2 combines advanced optical and digital technologies, featuring a 5-megapixel sensor, 3x optical zoom with image stabilization, and various shooting modes to capture high-quality images and videos.

WHAT'S IN THE BOX

Verify that all items are present before beginning setup.

- Panasonic Lumix DMC-LS2 Digital Camera
- Two Oxyride AA Batteries
- Video Cable
- USB Cable
- Strap
- Software CD-ROM

SETUP

1. Battery Installation

The DMC-LS2 operates on two AA batteries. Oxyride AA batteries are included. For extended use, Ni-MH rechargeable batteries are recommended, offering approximately 400 photos per charge. Alkaline batteries provide about 155 photos.

1. Open the battery compartment cover located on the bottom of the camera.
2. Insert two AA batteries, ensuring correct polarity (+/-) as indicated inside the compartment.
3. Close the battery compartment cover securely.



Figure 1: Front view of the Panasonic Lumix DMC-LS2 Digital Camera, showing the lens and body.

2. Memory Card Insertion

The camera uses SD Memory Cards (SDHC compatible) for storing images and videos.

1. Locate the memory card slot, typically near the battery compartment.
2. Insert the SD Memory Card with the label facing the correct direction until it clicks into place.
3. To remove, press the card gently until it springs out, then pull it out.

OPERATING THE CAMERA

Basic Photography

To take a picture, power on the camera, frame your shot using the LCD, and press the shutter button halfway to focus, then fully to capture the image.

Zoom Function

The camera features a 3x optical zoom and a 4x digital zoom, providing a combined 12x zoom capability. Use the zoom lever (usually around the shutter button) to adjust the focal length.

MEGA O.I.S. (Optical Image Stabilizer)

The integrated MEGA O.I.S. technology helps reduce blur caused by camera shake, especially in low light or when using zoom. This feature operates automatically to ensure sharper images.

Shooting Modes

The DMC-LS2 offers various shooting modes, including:

- **Normal Picture Mode:** For standard photography.
- **Movie Mode:** Records video at 320 x 240 resolution at 30 or 10 frames per second. Note that video recordings do not include audio.
- **Consecutive Shooting:** Captures images at approximately 3 frames per second at full resolution. The Unlimited Consecutive Shooting function allows continuous capture until the memory card is full.
- **Scene Modes:** Pre-set modes for specific conditions (e.g., Sports mode for fast-moving subjects).

White Balance Settings

Adjust white balance to ensure accurate color reproduction under different lighting conditions. Available settings include: Auto, Daylight, Cloudy, Halogen, and White Set (manual white balance).

Image Playback

Review your captured images and videos on the 2-inch LCD screen. The camera supports multi-split screen playback, allowing you to view 9, 16, or 25 images simultaneously to quickly locate specific photos.

ADVANCED FEATURES

High-Angle Mode

This mode enhances the visibility of the LCD display when viewing from a low angle, such as when holding the camera above your head to shoot over a crowd.

CONNECTING TO A COMPUTER AND PRINTING

USB Connection

Use the provided USB cable to connect the camera to your computer for transferring images and videos. The camera will appear as a removable storage device.

PictBridge Direct Printing

The DMC-LS2 supports the PictBridge standard, allowing direct printing to compatible digital printers without the need for a computer. You can select print size, layout, and date settings directly from the camera.

MAINTENANCE

- **Cleaning:** Use a soft, dry cloth to clean the camera body. For the lens, use a specialized lens cleaning cloth and solution. Avoid abrasive materials.
- **Storage:** Store the camera in a cool, dry place away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures. Remove batteries if the camera will not be used for an extended period.
- **Battery Care:** Ensure batteries are fully charged before use. Dispose of depleted batteries according to local regulations.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Solution
Blurry Images	Ensure MEGA O.I.S. is active. Hold the camera steady. Use a tripod in low light conditions.
Short Battery Life	Use fresh Oxyride or fully charged Ni-MH batteries. Reduce LCD brightness. Avoid excessive flash use.
Dark or Underexposed Photos	Check lighting conditions. Adjust exposure settings if available, or use a scene mode appropriate for low light.

Problem	Solution
Video Recording without Audio	The DMC-LS2 records videos in QVGA (320x240) resolution without audio. This is a design specification.
Camera Not Connecting to Computer	Ensure the USB cable is securely connected to both the camera and the computer. Check if the camera is in the correct USB mode (refer to on-screen prompts).

SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Model Name	Lumix DMC LS2
Photo Sensor Resolution	5 MP
Optical Zoom	3x
Digital Zoom	4x
Image Stabilization	Optical (MEGA O.I.S.)
Screen Size	2 Inches LCD
Photo Sensor Technology	CCD
Supported File Format	JPEG
Video Resolution	320 x 240, 30/10 fps (no audio)
Battery Type	AA (Oxyride, Alkaline, Ni-MH compatible)
Connectivity	USB
Compatible Flash Memory	SD, SDHC
Continuous Shooting	3 frames per second
Item Weight	6.56 ounces

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For warranty information and technical support, please refer to the documentation included with your purchase or visit the official Panasonic support website. Keep your proof of purchase for warranty claims.