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1. INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the Olympus Stylus 725 SW Digital Camera. This camera is designed for durability, featuring shock-resistant and waterproof capabilities, making it ideal for various environments. With its 7.1-megapixel sensor, you can capture high-quality images and videos. To ensure optimal performance and longevity of your camera, please read this instruction manual thoroughly before use.

Important Note on Water Resistance: The water-resistant feature requires proper maintenance. Always follow the instructions in this manual regarding lubricating seals before any underwater use to prevent water ingress.



Figure 1: Front view of the Olympus Stylus 725 SW digital camera, showcasing its compact design.

2. SETUP

2.1 Unpacking and Checking Contents

Before proceeding, ensure all items are present in the package:

- Olympus Stylus 725 SW Digital Camera
- Rechargeable Battery
- Battery Charger
- USB Cable
- Wrist Strap
- Software CD
- Instruction Manual

2.2 Battery Installation and Charging

1. Open the battery compartment cover located on the bottom of the camera.
2. Insert the rechargeable battery with the correct orientation, matching the polarity indicators.
3. Close the battery compartment cover securely until it clicks.
4. Connect the battery charger to a power outlet and insert the battery. The charging indicator will illuminate.
5. Charging is complete when the indicator light changes or turns off. A fully charged battery provides approximately 3 hours of continuous shooting or several weeks of occasional use.

2.3 Memory Card Installation

The Olympus Stylus 725 SW uses an xD-Picture Card for storage. An optional SD card adapter may be used for SD card compatibility.

1. Locate the memory card slot, typically near the battery compartment.
2. Insert the xD-Picture Card into the slot with the correct orientation until it clicks into place.
3. To remove, gently press the card inward until it springs out.

A 128MB memory card can store approximately 100 pictures, depending on the image quality settings.

2.4 Initial Power On

Press and hold the power button until the LCD screen illuminates. The camera is now ready for use.

3. OPERATING THE CAMERA

3.1 Basic Photography

- **Power On/Off:** Press the power button to turn the camera on or off.
- **Shooting Modes:** Use the mode dial or menu to select a shooting mode. Available modes include Portrait, Landscape, Night Scene, Sports, Beach & Snow, and more.
- **Focusing:** The camera uses autofocus. Lightly press the shutter button halfway down to focus. The focus frame will turn green when focus is achieved.
- **Taking a Picture:** After focusing, press the shutter button fully down to capture the image.
- **Zoom:** Use the zoom lever to adjust the focal length. The camera features a 3x optical zoom and a 5x digital zoom. Optical zoom provides higher quality images.
- **Flash Modes:** Access flash settings through the menu. Options include Auto, Red-eye Reduction, Fill-in Flash (On), and Flash Off.
- **Image Stabilization:** The Stylus 725 SW features both digital and optical image stabilization to reduce blur caused by camera shake.

3.2 Reviewing Images

Press the playback button to view captured images and videos on the 2.5-inch LCD screen. Use the arrow buttons to navigate through your media.

3.3 Video Recording

To record video, switch to video mode. Press the shutter button to start and stop recording. The camera supports video recording at 480p resolution.

3.4 Underwater Photography

When using the camera underwater, ensure all seals are clean and properly lubricated as per the maintenance section. Due to light refraction and screen visibility limitations underwater, it is often recommended to take multiple shots and review them later.

3.5 Connecting to a Computer

Connect the camera to your computer using the provided USB cable. The camera will appear as a removable

drive, allowing you to transfer photos and videos.

4. MAINTENANCE

4.1 Cleaning the Camera

- **Lens:** Use a soft, lint-free cloth or a lens brush to gently clean the lens. Avoid touching the lens with your fingers.
- **LCD Screen:** Wipe the screen with a soft, dry cloth. For stubborn smudges, use a screen cleaner specifically designed for electronics.
- **Camera Body:** Wipe the camera body with a soft, damp cloth. Do not use strong cleaning agents or solvents.

4.2 Water Resistance Care

To maintain the camera's water resistance:

- Always ensure the battery/memory card compartment cover is securely closed and locked before exposing the camera to water.
- Regularly inspect the rubber seals for any dirt, sand, or damage. Clean them with a soft, damp cloth.
- After using the camera in saltwater, rinse it thoroughly with fresh water and dry it completely before opening any compartments.
- Do not open the battery/memory card compartment when the camera is wet.

4.3 Storage

Store the camera in a cool, dry place away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures. Remove the battery if the camera will not be used for an extended period.

5. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues with your Olympus Stylus 725 SW, refer to the following common problems and solutions:

- **Camera does not power on:** Ensure the battery is fully charged and correctly inserted. Try charging the battery again.
- **Images are blurry:** Check if the lens is clean. Ensure the camera has focused correctly by pressing the shutter button halfway before fully pressing. Use image stabilization in low light or when shooting handheld.
- **Memory card error:** Reinsert the memory card. Ensure it is not full. Try formatting the card (this will erase all data).
- **Water leakage:** Immediately power off the camera and remove the battery. Do not attempt to use it. Contact Olympus customer support. This indicates a failure in the water-resistant seals, likely due to improper maintenance or damage.
- **Flash not firing:** Check flash settings to ensure it is not set to 'Off'. Ensure the subject is within the flash range.

For more complex issues, consult the Olympus support website or contact customer service.

6. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Specification
Model Name	Stylus 725 SW
Photo Sensor Resolution	7.1 Megapixels
Sensor Type	CCD
Optical Zoom	3x
Digital Zoom	5x
Screen Size	2.5 Inches LCD
Water Resistance Level	Water Resistant
Special Feature	Waterproof, Shock Resistant
Supported File Format	JPEG, RAW
Video Resolution	480p
Connectivity Technology	USB
Hardware Interface	xD-Picture Card
Image Stabilization	Digital, Optical

7. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For detailed warranty information, please refer to the warranty card included with your product packaging or visit the official Olympus website. Warranty terms and conditions may vary by region.

If you require technical assistance, repairs, or have questions not covered in this manual, please contact Olympus customer support through their official website or the contact information provided in your product documentation.

Please note that returns are subject to a 20% restocking fee. All returned items must be in their original condition with all included accessories. The buyer is responsible for all return shipping charges. Shipping fees are non-refundable.