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Panasonic Lumix DMC-FS7 Digital Camera User Manual

Model: DMC-FS7

Introduction

This manual provides instructions for the safe and effective use of your Panasonic Lumix DMC-FS7 digital camera. The DMC-FS7 is a 10.1-megapixel camera featuring a 4x optical zoom Leica DC Vario-Elmarit lens, MEGA O.I.S. (Optical Image Stabilizer), and a 2.7-inch LCD screen. It incorporates Intelligent Auto (iA) mode for simplified photography and is capable of recording motion pictures.



Figure 1: Front view of the Panasonic Lumix DMC-FS7 digital camera. This image shows the lens, flash, and the "LUMIX" and "10 MEGA PIXELS" branding on the silver body.

Setup

1. Charging and Installing the Battery

The camera uses a Lithium-Ion battery. Before first use, fully charge the battery using the supplied charger. Once charged, open the battery compartment cover, insert the battery with the correct orientation, and close the cover securely.

2. Inserting a Memory Card

The DMC-FS7 supports SD and SDHC memory cards (not included). Open the battery/card compartment cover, insert the memory card into the slot until it clicks into place, ensuring the correct direction. Close the cover.

3. Initial Settings

Upon first power-on, the camera may prompt you to set the date, time, and language. Follow the on-screen instructions using the directional buttons and the **MENU/SET** button.

Operating the Camera

1. Powering On/Off

To turn the camera on or off, slide the**ON/OFF** switch located on the top of the camera.



Figure 2: Top view of the Panasonic Lumix DMC-FS7. This image highlights the power switch, shutter button, and zoom control.

2. Selecting a Shooting Mode

Press the **MODE** button on the back of the camera to cycle through available shooting modes, including Intelligent Auto (iA), Normal Picture, Scene Mode, and Motion Picture mode. The iA mode automatically optimizes settings for various scenes.



Figure 3: Rear view of the Panasonic Lumix DMC-FS7. This image shows the 2.7-inch LCD screen, directional pad, and control buttons like MODE, MENU/SET, DISPLAY, and Q.MENU.

3. Taking Pictures

1. Point the camera at your subject.
2. Use the zoom lever (W/T) to adjust the focal length.
3. Press the shutter button halfway down to focus. The focus frame will turn green when focus is achieved.
4. Press the shutter button fully down to take the picture.

4. Recording Videos

In Motion Picture mode, press the shutter button to start and stop video recording. The camera records in WVGA (848 x 480) or VGA (640 x 480) formats.

5. Playback

Press the playback button (usually indicated by a triangle icon) to view your captured photos and videos. Use the directional buttons to navigate through images.

6. Using the Menu System

Press the **MENU/SET** button to access camera settings. Use the directional buttons to navigate and the **MENU/SET** button to confirm selections. The **Q.MENU** button provides quick access to frequently used settings.

Maintenance

- **Cleaning the Camera Body:** Use a soft, dry cloth to wipe the camera body. For stubborn dirt, slightly dampen the cloth with water.

- **Cleaning the Lens:** Use a lens brush or a soft, clean microfiber cloth specifically designed for optical lenses. Avoid touching the lens surface with your fingers.
- **Cleaning the LCD Screen:** Gently wipe the screen with a soft, dry cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaners.
- **Battery Care:** Store the battery in a cool, dry place when not in use. Avoid extreme temperatures.
- **Storage:** When storing the camera for extended periods, remove the battery and memory card. Store the camera in a dry, dust-free environment.

Troubleshooting

Problem	Solution
Camera does not turn on.	Ensure the battery is fully charged and correctly inserted. Check if the battery terminals are clean.
Pictures are blurry.	Check if the lens is clean. Ensure the camera is focusing correctly (focus frame turns green). Use MEGA O.I.S. for stability, especially in low light or with zoom.
"Memory Card Error" message.	Reinsert the memory card. Try a different, compatible SD/SDHC card. Ensure the card is not locked (write-protected).
Flash does not fire.	Check flash settings. Ensure the flash mode is not set to "Flash Off" or "Red-Eye Reduction" in bright conditions where it might not be needed.
Cannot connect to computer.	Ensure the USB cable is securely connected to both the camera and the computer. Check computer's device manager for driver issues.

Specifications

Feature	Detail
Model Name	DMC-FS7
Effective Still Resolution	10.1 MP
Photo Sensor Size	1/2.5-inch CCD
Optical Zoom	4x
Lens	Leica DC Vario-Elmarit lens, F2.8
Image Stabilization	Optical (MEGA O.I.S.)
Screen Size	2.7 Inches LCD
Supported Memory Cards	SD, SDHC
Video Resolution	WVGA (848 x 480) at 30 fps, VGA (640 x 480) at 30 fps
Battery Type	Lithium Ion
Connectivity	USB, HDMI
Item Weight	4.96 ounces

Warranty and Support

For warranty information and technical support, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official Panasonic support website. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase.
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