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Model: 4463B023AA

1. INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the user manual for your Canon EOS 550D Digital SLR Camera. This manual provides essential information for setting up, operating, maintaining, and troubleshooting your camera. Please read this manual thoroughly to ensure safe and optimal use of your device.

The Canon EOS 550D, also known as the EOS Rebel T2i in some regions, is an 18 MP CMOS APS-C Digital SLR Camera featuring a 3.0-inch LCD. It is designed to deliver high-quality images and Full HD video recording capabilities.

2. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

Familiarize yourself with the components of your Canon EOS 550D camera.



Figure 2.1: Front view of the Canon EOS 550D with the EF-S 18-55mm f/3.5-5.6 IS lens attached. This shows the main body, lens, and Canon branding.



Figure 2.2: Front view of the Canon EOS 550D camera body without a lens, revealing the EF/EF-S lens mount and sensor.



Figure 2.3: Rear view of the Canon EOS 550D, showcasing the 3.0-inch LCD screen, viewfinder, and various control buttons for menu navigation and image playback.



Figure 2.4: Side view of the Canon EOS 550D, highlighting the microphone input, A/V OUT, and HDMI ports, typically covered by protective flaps.



Figure 2.5: Top view of the Canon EOS 550D, displaying the mode dial, hot shoe for external flash, power switch, and other top-mounted controls.

3. SETUP

3.1 Unpacking and Initial Inspection

Carefully remove all components from the packaging. Verify that all items are present:

- Canon EOS 550D Camera Body
- EF-S 18-55mm f/3.5-5.6 IS Lens
- Battery Pack (Lithium Ion)
- Battery Charger (Note: Charger may have an India port as per product description)
- Polarize Filter (as per product description)
- Neck Strap
- Interface Cable
- Instruction Manual (this document)

Inspect the camera and accessories for any visible damage. If any items are missing or damaged, contact your retailer.

3.2 Charging the Battery

Insert the battery pack into the supplied battery charger. Plug the charger into a power outlet. The charging indicator light will show the charging status. Charge the battery fully before first use. A full charge typically takes approximately 2 hours.

3.3 Attaching the Lens

1. Remove the body cap from the camera and the rear lens cap from the lens.
2. Align the red dot on the lens with the red dot on the camera body (for EF-S lenses).
3. Mount the lens by turning it clockwise until it clicks into place.
4. Attach the polarize filter to the front of the lens if desired.

3.4 Inserting a Memory Card

The Canon EOS 550D uses SD, SDHC, or SDXC memory cards. Open the memory card slot cover, insert the card with the label facing the back of the camera until it clicks, and then close the cover.

3.5 Initial Settings

After turning on the camera for the first time, you will be prompted to set the date, time, and time zone. Follow the on-screen instructions using the directional buttons and SET button.

4. OPERATING THE CAMERA

4.1 Power On/Off

To turn the camera on or off, use the power switch located near the mode dial on the top of the camera.

4.2 Shooting Modes

Rotate the mode dial to select your desired shooting mode:

- **Basic Zone Modes:** Fully automatic modes for simple point-and-shoot operation (e.g., Full Auto, Portrait, Landscape, Close-up, Sports, Night Portrait, Flash Off).
- **Creative Zone Modes:** Provide more control over settings.
 - **P (Program AE):** Camera sets aperture and shutter speed for optimal exposure, but you can shift the combination.
 - **Tv (Shutter-priority AE):** You set the shutter speed, camera sets aperture. Ideal for controlling motion blur.
 - **Av (Aperture-priority AE):** You set the aperture, camera sets shutter speed. Ideal for controlling depth of field.
 - **M (Manual Exposure):** You set both aperture and shutter speed.
 - **A-DEP (Automatic Depth-of-Field AE):** Camera automatically sets the aperture to achieve maximum depth of field.

4.3 Focusing

The camera offers various autofocus (AF) modes. Half-press the shutter button to activate autofocus. You can also switch to manual focus (MF) using the switch on the lens.

4.4 Adjusting ISO Sensitivity

Press the ISO button (on the top plate) and use the main dial or directional buttons to adjust the ISO sensitivity. Higher ISO values allow for shooting in darker conditions but may introduce more noise.

4.5 Recording Movies

Set the mode dial to the movie shooting mode. Press the Live View shooting/Movie shooting button to start and stop recording. The camera supports Full HD (1920x1080) video recording.

4.6 Image Playback

Press the Playback button (marked with a triangle icon) to view captured images and videos on the LCD screen. Use the directional buttons to navigate through your media.

5. MAINTENANCE AND CARE

5.1 Cleaning the Camera

- **Camera Body:** Use a soft, dry cloth to wipe the camera body. For stubborn dirt, slightly dampen the cloth with water.
- **Lens:** Use a lens brush or blower to remove dust. For smudges, use a lens cleaning solution and a microfiber cloth. Never use harsh chemicals.
- **Sensor:** The camera has an automatic sensor cleaning function. For manual cleaning, consult a professional service center.
- **LCD Screen:** Use a soft, dry cloth. Avoid pressing hard on the screen.

5.2 Battery Care

- Store batteries in a cool, dry place when not in use.
- Do not expose batteries to extreme temperatures.

- Recharge batteries before they are completely depleted to prolong their lifespan.

5.3 Storage

When storing the camera for extended periods, remove the battery and memory card. Store the camera in a dry, well-ventilated area, preferably with a desiccant to prevent mold and mildew.

6. TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Camera does not power on.	Battery is not charged or inserted correctly.	Ensure battery is fully charged and inserted with correct orientation.
Images are blurry.	Incorrect focus, camera shake, or dirty lens.	Check focus mode (AF/MF), use a faster shutter speed or tripod, clean the lens.
Memory card error.	Card is full, corrupted, or incompatible.	Delete unnecessary files, format the card (will erase all data), or try a different card.
Flash does not fire.	Flash is disabled, or in a mode where flash is suppressed.	Check flash settings, ensure camera is not in "Flash Off" mode.
Video recording stops unexpectedly.	Memory card speed is too slow, or camera overheats.	Use a faster memory card (Class 6 or higher recommended). Allow camera to cool down.

For more complex issues, refer to the Canon support website or contact customer service.

7. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Product Dimensions	5.08 x 2.95 x 3.86 inches
Item Weight	2.38 pounds
Item Model Number	4463B023AA
Batteries	1 Lithium Ion battery (included)
Compatible Mountings	Canon EF, Canon EF-S
Photo Sensor Technology	CMOS
Supported File Format	JPEG, RAW
Image Stabilization	Digital (Note: Lens-based IS for EF-S 18-55mm IS lens)
Maximum Focal Length	55 Millimeters (with kit lens)
Optical Zoom	18x (with kit lens)

Feature	Detail
Maximum Aperture	3.5 f (with kit lens)
Expanded ISO Minimum	100
Metering Description	Evaluative or Matrix, Center-Weighted, Spot
Manufacturer	Canon
Date First Available	February 24, 2010

8. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

This product is covered by Canon's standard warranty. For specific warranty terms and conditions, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official Canon support website. Keep your proof of purchase for warranty claims.

Legal Disclaimer: Please note that the seller is not responsible for any damage during transit, though first-class shipping is typically chosen for prompt delivery. Purchasers must be at least 18 years of age. Returns are accepted within 10 days of receipt.

For technical support, service, or inquiries regarding your Canon EOS 550D, please visit the official Canon support page or contact their customer service hotline. You can find contact information on the Canon website: [Canon Support](#).