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## Sony MAIN-88333

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Your comprehensive guide to operating and maintaining your digital voice recorder.

## INTRODUCTION

The Sony ICD PX333 Digital Voice Recorder is designed for easy and efficient audio recording. With its intuitive controls and versatile features, it is ideal for capturing lectures, meetings, voice notes, and interviews. This manual provides detailed instructions to help you get the most out of your device.

## PRODUCT OVERVIEW

Familiarize yourself with the components and controls of your ICD PX333 Digital Voice Recorder.



Figure 1: Front view of the SONY ICD PX333 Digital Voice Recorder, showing the display, control buttons, and built-in speaker.

### Key Components:

- **Display Screen:** Shows recording status, time, file information, and menu options.
- **Built-in Microphone:** Located at the top of the device for capturing audio.
- **Built-in Speaker:** Located at the bottom for audio playback.
- **Control Buttons:**
  - **REC/PAUSE:** Initiates and pauses recording.
  - **PLAY/STOP:** Starts and stops playback.

- **ENTER:** Confirms selections.
  - **+/- (Volume):** Adjusts playback volume.
  - **Rewind/Fast Forward:** Navigates through recordings.
  - **FOLDER:** Selects recording folders.
  - **SCENE:** Selects recording scene modes.
  - **DISP:** Changes display information.
  - **-MENU:** Accesses the menu.
  - **T-MARK:** Adds a track mark during recording or playback.
- **MicroSD Expansion Slot:** For additional memory storage.
  - **USB Port:** For connecting to a computer.
  - **Headphone Jack:** For private listening.
  - **External Microphone Input:** For connecting an external microphone.
  - **Battery Compartment:** Houses two AAA batteries.

## SETUP

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### 1. Battery Installation

1. Locate the battery compartment cover on the back of the device.
2. Slide the cover open.
3. Insert two AAA batteries, ensuring correct polarity (+/-) as indicated inside the compartment.
4. Close the battery compartment cover securely.

**Note:** The device requires 2 AAA batteries. Ensure they are inserted correctly to avoid malfunction.

### 2. Initial Power On and Date/Time Setting

- Slide the POWER/HOLD switch to the "ON" position.
- Upon first use, the device may prompt you to set the date and time. Follow the on-screen instructions using the navigation buttons and the **ENTER** button to confirm.

### 3. Connecting to a Computer

- Connect the supplied USB cable to the USB port on the recorder and to a USB port on your computer.
- The recorder will appear as a removable disk drive on your computer.
- The Sound Organizer software, if pre-installed on the recorder, can be installed on your computer for easier file management.

## OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

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### 1. Recording Audio

1. Ensure the recorder is powered on.
2. Press the **REC/PAUSE** button to start recording. The recording indicator light will illuminate.
3. To pause recording, press **REC/PAUSE** again. Press it once more to resume.
4. To stop recording, press the **STOP** button. The recording will be saved automatically.

### 2. Playback

1. Navigate to the desired recording using the Fast Forward or Rewind buttons.
2. Press the **PLAY/STOP** button to begin playback.
3. Adjust the volume using the +/- buttons.
4. Press the **STOP** button to end playback.

### 3. Scene Select Function

The Scene Select function optimizes recording settings for different environments.

- Press the **SCENE** button repeatedly to cycle through available modes:
  - **Lecture:** Optimized for capturing voices from a distance.
  - **Meeting:** Suitable for multiple speakers in a room.
  - **Voice Notes:** Ideal for personal memos.
  - **Interview:** Best for one-on-one conversations.
  - **Audio In:** For recording from an external audio source connected to the input jack.

### 4. Voice Operated Recording (VOR)

VOR allows the recorder to start and stop recording automatically in response to sound, conserving memory and battery life.

- Access the menu by pressing **-MENU**.
- Navigate to "VOR" and select "Yes" to activate.
- Adjust microphone sensitivity in the "Mic Sensitivity" setting within the menu for optimal VOR performance.

### 5. Intelligent Noise Cut

This feature reduces ambient noise during playback for clearer audio.

- During playback, press the Noise Cut switch (if available) or access the function through the menu.

### 6. Track Mark Function

Add a track mark to easily locate specific points in a recording.

- Press the **T-MARK** button during recording or playback to insert a mark.

### 7. File Management and Transfer

- Recordings are saved into folders (e.g., Folder 01, Folder 02). Use the **FOLDER** button to switch between them.
- To transfer files to a computer, connect the recorder via USB. Drag and drop files from the recorder's drive to your computer.
- Alternatively, use the Sound Organizer software for advanced file management, including editing and organizing recordings.

## MAINTENANCE

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### 1. Cleaning

- Wipe the exterior of the recorder with a soft, dry cloth.
- Do not use abrasive cleaners, solvents, or alcohol, as these can damage the finish.

### 2. Battery Care

- Remove batteries if the device will not be used for an extended period to prevent leakage.
- Replace batteries when the low battery indicator appears on the display.

### 3. Software Updates

- Periodically check the official Sony support website for any available firmware updates for your ICD PX333 model. Updates can improve performance and add new features.

## TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Device does not power on.	Batteries are dead or inserted incorrectly.	Replace batteries with new ones, ensuring correct polarity.
Poor recording quality.	Incorrect scene mode selected; microphone too far from source; high ambient noise.	Select an appropriate scene mode. Move the recorder closer to the sound source. Activate Intelligent Noise Cut during playback.
Cannot transfer files to computer.	USB cable not connected properly; driver issues; recorder not recognized.	Ensure USB cable is securely connected. Try a different USB port. Restart computer and recorder. Install Sound Organizer software if not already done.
Display is blank or frozen.	Temporary system error.	Remove and reinsert batteries to reset the device.
Recordings are too quiet or too loud.	Microphone sensitivity setting is incorrect.	Adjust the microphone sensitivity in the menu settings.

## SPECIFICATIONS

- **Internal Memory:** 4 GB Flash Memory
- **Expandable Memory:** MicroSD slot
- **Recording Format:** MP3 (Mono)
- **Power Source:** 2 x AAA batteries
- **Dimensions (W x H x D):** Approximately 0.82 x 1.48 x 4.49 inches (20.8 x 37.6 x 114.0 mm)
- **Weight:** Approximately 2.61 ounces (74 grams) (including batteries)
- **Microphone:** Built-In
- **Headphones Jack:** 2.5 mm
- **Interface:** USB (Mini-USB), MicroSD
- **Compatible Operating Systems:** Windows XP (SP3), Vista (SP2), 7, 8; Mac OS X 10.3.9 to 10.8

## WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For warranty information, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official Sony support website. Sony provides comprehensive customer support for their products.

If you encounter issues not covered in this manual or require further assistance, please contact Sony customer service. You can often find contact details and extensive FAQs on the official Sony support website:

