

Konica Hexar AF

Konica Hexar AF 35mm Film Camera Instruction Manual

Model: Hexar AF

INTRODUCTION

This manual provides detailed instructions for the safe and effective use of your Konica Hexar AF 35mm Film Camera. Please read this manual thoroughly before operating the camera and retain it for future reference.

The Konica Hexar AF, introduced in 1993, is a sophisticated rangefinder-style 35mm film camera known for its built-in f/2.0 lens and exceptionally quiet operation. It is designed for photographers seeking high-quality results with a streamlined user experience.

SAFETY INFORMATION

- Do not expose the camera to extreme temperatures, humidity, or direct sunlight for extended periods.
- Avoid dropping the camera or subjecting it to strong impacts.
- Keep the camera away from strong magnetic fields.
- Do not attempt to disassemble or repair the camera yourself. Refer to qualified service personnel.
- Use only recommended batteries and dispose of them properly.
- Keep out of reach of children.

PACKAGE CONTENTS

Verify that all items are present in your Konica Hexar AF package:

- Konica Hexar AF Camera Body
- Built-in 35mm f/2.0 Lens
- Instruction Manual (this document)
- (Optional: External Flash Unit, Camera Strap, Lens Cap, Case - depending on specific kit)



Image: The Konica Hexar AF camera, instruction manual, and accessories neatly arranged in the product box.

SETUP

1. Battery Installation

1. Locate the battery compartment cover on the bottom of the camera.
2. Open the cover by sliding or twisting as indicated.
3. Insert the required batteries (typically 2x CR2 lithium batteries) according to the polarity markings (+/-).
4. Close the battery compartment cover securely.

2. Loading Film

1. Open the camera back by pulling up the film rewind knob or sliding the latch, depending on the model.
2. Place a new 35mm film cassette into the film chamber on the left side.
3. Pull the film leader across to the take-up spool on the right, ensuring it engages with the sprocket teeth.
4. Close the camera back firmly until it clicks. The camera will automatically advance the film to the first frame.
5. Confirm the film counter displays "1" or the correct frame number.

OPERATING THE CAMERA

1. Power On/Off

To power on the camera, rotate the main switch (often around the shutter button) to the "ON" position. To power off, rotate it to "OFF".

2. Basic Controls Overview



Image: A closer view of the Konica Hexar AF camera body, its fixed 35mm f/2.0 lens, and an accompanying flash unit, alongside the instruction manual.

- **Shutter Button:** Press halfway to activate autofocus and exposure metering, press fully to take a picture.
- **Viewfinder:** Look through to compose your shot and see exposure/focus indicators.
- **Lens:** The fixed 35mm f/2.0 lens is integral to the camera's design.
- **LCD Panel:** Displays settings such as frame number, exposure mode, and battery status.

3. Focusing

- **Autofocus (AF):** The Hexar AF features a precise autofocus system. Half-press the shutter button to engage AF. A focus confirmation indicator will appear in the viewfinder.
- **Manual Focus (MF):** The camera also offers manual focus capabilities. Consult the LCD panel and specific buttons (e.g., "MF" button) to switch to manual focus mode and adjust focus using the lens ring or dedicated controls.
- **One Touch Infinity:** For quick landscape shots, the camera may feature a "One Touch Infinity" setting, allowing instant focus to infinity.

4. Exposure Modes

The Konica Hexar AF offers various exposure modes to suit different shooting conditions:

- **Program AE (P):** The camera automatically sets both aperture and shutter speed for optimal exposure.
- **Aperture Priority AE (A):** You select the aperture, and the camera sets the appropriate shutter speed.
- **Manual Exposure (M):** You manually set both aperture and shutter speed.
- **Silent Mode:** A unique feature of the Hexar AF, significantly reducing operational noise for discreet photography.

5. Taking a Picture

1. Turn the camera on.
2. Select your desired exposure mode.
3. Compose your shot through the viewfinder.
4. Half-press the shutter button to activate autofocus and exposure metering.
5. Once focus and exposure are confirmed, fully press the shutter button to take the picture.

6. Unloading Film

After the last frame is exposed, the camera will typically rewind the film automatically. If manual rewind is required, locate the rewind button or lever and activate it until the film is fully rewound into the cassette. Open the camera back and remove the film cassette.

MAINTENANCE

1. Cleaning the Camera

- Use a soft, lint-free cloth to wipe the camera body.
- For the lens, use a lens brush to remove dust, then gently clean with a lens cleaning solution and a microfiber cloth. Avoid touching the lens surface with your fingers.
- Do not use harsh chemicals or abrasive materials.

2. Storage

- When not in use for extended periods, remove the batteries to prevent leakage.
- Store the camera in a cool, dry place, away from direct sunlight and high humidity.
- Use a desiccant packet (e.g., silica gel) in the storage container to absorb moisture.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Camera does not power on.	Dead or incorrectly inserted batteries.	Check battery polarity, replace with fresh batteries.
Film does not advance.	Film not loaded correctly; film leader not engaged.	Re-open camera back and re-load film, ensuring leader is properly attached to take-up spool.
Autofocus not working.	Subject too close or too far; low light conditions; camera in MF mode.	Ensure subject is within focus range; use flash in low light; switch to AF mode.
Pictures are too dark/light.	Incorrect exposure settings; film ISO mismatch.	Check exposure mode and settings; ensure camera's ISO setting matches film ISO.

SPECIFICATIONS

- **Model Name:** Hexar AF
- **Manufacturer:** Konica
- **Film Format Type:** 35mm
- **Lens:** Fixed 35mm f/2.0
- **Focusing:** Autofocus (AF) with Manual Focus (MF) option
- **Exposure Modes:** Program AE, Aperture Priority AE, Manual Exposure, Silent Mode
- **Included Components:** Camera Body & Lens
- **ASIN:** B00CE2A0HU
- **Date First Available:** May 6, 2013

WARRANTY INFORMATION

Konica products are manufactured to high-quality standards. This product is covered by a limited warranty against defects in materials and workmanship from the date of purchase. Please retain your proof of purchase for warranty claims. Specific warranty terms and conditions may vary by region. For detailed warranty information, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or contact customer support.

CUSTOMER SUPPORT

If you encounter any issues or have questions regarding your Konica Hexar AF camera that are not addressed in this manual, please contact Konica customer support.

- **Website:** Visit the official Konica website for support resources, FAQs, and contact information.
- **Email:** Refer to your product documentation for specific support email addresses.
- **Phone:** Consult your regional Konica website for local customer service telephone numbers.

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