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Model: S8600 | Brand: Fujifilm

1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides comprehensive instructions for the safe and effective use of your Fujifilm FinePix S8600 Digital Camera. Please read this manual thoroughly before using the camera and keep it in a safe place for future reference.



Figure 1.1: Front view of the Fujifilm FinePix S8600 Digital Camera, showcasing its compact design and prominent Fujinon 36x optical zoom lens.

Key Features:

- 16MP 1/2.3in CCD sensor for high-quality images.
- Powerful FUJINON lens with 36x optical zoom (25-900mm equivalent) and Super Macro capability.
- Compact body design with a newly developed three-step collapsible lens.
- 3-inch LCD monitor (460k dots) for clear viewing.
- HD movie recording at 720p/30fps in cinematic widescreen 16:9 format.
- Advanced Filter function with 10 artistic effects.
- Sensor-shift Optical Image Stabilization system to reduce blur.
- Fast autofocus times (up to 0.4sec) and quick startup (1.7sec).
- Powered by 3 AA alkaline batteries for convenience.

2. SETUP

2.1 Battery Installation

The FinePix S8600 uses three AA batteries. For optimal performance and battery life, it is recommended to use high-quality alkaline, lithium, or Ni-MH rechargeable batteries.

1. Locate the battery compartment cover on the bottom of the camera.
2. Slide the latch to open the cover.
3. Insert three AA batteries, ensuring correct polarity (+/-) as indicated inside the compartment.
4. Close the battery compartment cover securely until it clicks into place.

2.2 Memory Card Insertion

The camera supports SD, SDHC, and SDXC memory cards. A memory card is required to store photos and videos.

1. Open the battery/memory card compartment cover.
2. Insert the memory card into the card slot with the label facing the correct direction (usually towards the front of the camera) until it clicks.
3. Close the compartment cover.

2.3 Initial Power On

After installing batteries and a memory card, press the **ON/OFF** button located on the top of the camera to power it on. The lens will extend, and the LCD monitor will display the shooting screen.



Figure 2.1: Top view of the Fujifilm FinePix S8600, showing the ON/OFF button and mode dial.

3. OPERATING THE CAMERA

3.1 Basic Photography

To take a picture:

1. Turn the camera on.
2. Frame your shot using the 3-inch LCD monitor.
3. Press the shutter button halfway down to focus. The focus frame will turn green when focus is achieved.
4. Press the shutter button all the way down to take the picture.



Figure 3.1: Rear view of the Fujifilm FinePix S8600, displaying the LCD screen and control buttons.

3.2 Zoom Function

The camera features a 36x optical zoom. Use the zoom lever located around the shutter button to adjust the focal length. Push the lever towards **W** for wide-angle (zoom out) and towards **T** for telephoto (zoom in).

3.3 Shooting Modes

The mode dial on top of the camera allows you to select various shooting modes:

- **SR AUTO:** Scene Recognition Auto, automatically detects the scene type and optimizes settings.
- **P (Program AE):** Camera sets exposure automatically, but you can adjust other settings.
- **S (Shutter-Priority AE):** You set the shutter speed, and the camera sets the aperture.
- **M (Manual):** You control both shutter speed and aperture.
- **Panorama:** For creating panoramic images.
- **Adv (Advanced Filter):** Accesses creative filter effects.
- **Scene Position (SP1/SP2):** Pre-set modes for specific scenes like Portrait, Landscape, Sport, Night, etc.

3.4 Advanced Filter

The Advanced Filter function offers 10 artistic effects that can be previewed on the LCD before shooting. Select 'Adv' on the mode dial and then choose from options like Toy Camera, Miniature, Pop Color, Soft Focus, Cross Screen, Partial Color, High-Key, Low-Key, Dynamic Tone, and Fish-Eye.

3.5 HD Movie Recording

To record videos, set the mode dial to the movie icon. The camera records HD movies at 720p/30fps in 16:9 widescreen format. Videos can be played back on the camera or connected to a TV via the built-in mini HDMI connector.

3.6 Focusing Features

- **Face Detection:** Automatically detects faces in the frame and optimizes focus and exposure for clear portraits.
- **Tracking Auto Focus:** Maintains sharp focus on moving subjects, ideal for action shots.
- **Super Macro:** Allows capturing subjects as close as 1cm from the lens for extreme close-ups.

3.7 Image Stabilization

The camera features Fujifilm's sensor-shift Optical Image Stabilization system. This technology helps to combat camera shake and reduce blur, especially when shooting at longer focal lengths or in low light conditions.

3.8 Built-in Flash

The camera includes a built-in flash for illuminating subjects in low light. The flash can be manually popped up when needed. Ensure the flash is fully extended before use.



Figure 3.2: Front view of the Fujifilm FinePix S8600 with the built-in flash raised.

4. MAINTENANCE

4.1 Cleaning the Camera

- **Lens:** Use a soft, lint-free cloth specifically designed for camera lenses. Gently wipe in a circular motion. Avoid touching the lens with your fingers.
- **Body:** Wipe the camera body with a soft, dry cloth. For stubborn dirt, slightly dampen the cloth with water. Do not use organic solvents or strong cleaning agents.
- **LCD Monitor:** Use a soft, dry cloth. Avoid pressing hard on the screen.

4.2 Battery Care

- Remove batteries when the camera will not be used for an extended period.
- Store batteries in a cool, dry place.
- Dispose of depleted batteries according to local regulations.

4.3 Storage

When not in use, store the camera in a dry, well-ventilated area, away from direct sunlight, high temperatures, and humidity. Use a camera bag to protect it from dust and scratches.

5. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues with your camera, refer to the following common problems and solutions:

Problem	Possible Cause / Solution
Camera does not power on.	Check battery installation and ensure batteries are charged or new.
Pictures are blurry.	Ensure proper focus. Use image stabilization. Check lighting conditions.
Flash does not fire.	Ensure flash is popped up. Check flash mode settings.
Cannot record videos.	Ensure sufficient space on memory card. Check movie mode selection.
Battery indicator shows low battery quickly.	Battery indicators can sometimes be inconsistent. Continue using until camera stops functioning or replace batteries if performance is affected.

If the problem persists, please contact Fujifilm customer support or refer to the official Fujifilm website for further assistance.

6. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Model Name	Fujifilm FinePix S8600
Sensor Type	1/2.3-inch CCD
Effective Still Resolution	16 MP
Optical Zoom	36x (25-900mm equivalent)
Digital Zoom	2x

Feature	Detail
Image Stabilization	Sensor-shift
LCD Monitor	3.0-inch (460k dots)
Video Resolution	HD 720p (30fps)
Supported File Format	JPEG (Exif Ver 2.3), MJPEG (Video)
Storage Media	SD/SDHC/SDXC Memory Card
Power Source	3 x AA batteries (Alkaline, Lithium, Ni-MH)
Battery Life (Approx.)	250 shots (Alkaline), 410 photos (Lithium)
Connectivity	USB, HDMI (mini)
Dimensions (Approx.)	Item Height: 3.19 inches
Weight (Approx.)	15.84 ounces

7. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

7.1 Warranty Information

The Fujifilm FinePix S8600 Digital Camera comes with a manufacturer's warranty. Please refer to the warranty card included with your product for specific terms and conditions, or visit the official Fujifilm website for detailed warranty information.

7.2 Customer Support

For technical assistance, service, or inquiries regarding your camera, please contact Fujifilm customer support. You can also visit the official Fujifilm store online for product information and resources:

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