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INTRODUCTION

This instruction manual provides essential information for the safe and effective use of your Tamron SP 150-600mm F/5-6.3 Di VC USD telephoto zoom lens. Designed for Nikon DSLR cameras, this high-performance lens is ideal for capturing distant subjects with clarity and precision. Please read this manual thoroughly before using the product.



Image: The Tamron SP 150-600mm F/5-6.3 Di VC USD lens, a black telephoto zoom lens with a tripod collar, designed for long-range photography.

KEY FEATURES

- **VC (Vibration Compensation):** Tamron's proprietary image stabilization system, featuring a three-coil system for shake compensation.
- **USD (Ultrasonic Silent Drive):** Ensures speedy and accurate autofocus response.
- **eBAND (Extended Bandwidth & Angular-Dependency) Coating:** A Nano-structured layer combined with sophisticated multiple layer coatings to suppress flare and ghosting, delivering sharp, crisp images.
- **Moisture-resistant construction:** Helps prevent moisture from penetrating the lens, enhancing durability in various conditions.
- **Advanced Optical Technology:** Includes three LD (Low Dispersion) elements to correct chromatic aberrations.
- **Wide Focal Length Range:** 150-600mm, suitable for diverse photographic needs from wildlife to sports.
- **Minimum Focus Distance:** 2.7m (106.3in).
- **Max. Magnification Ratio:** 1:5.

SETUP AND INSTALLATION

Attaching the Lens to Your Camera

1. Remove the rear lens cap by unscrewing it.
2. Align the red dot on the lens mount with the corresponding red dot on your Nikon DSLR camera body.
3. Gently insert the lens into the camera mount and turn it clockwise until it clicks securely into place.
4. Ensure the lens is firmly attached before use.



Image: A close-up view of the rear mount of the Tamron 150-600mm lens, showing the metal mount and electronic contacts for connecting to a camera body.

Attaching the Lens Hood

The lens comes with a dedicated lens hood to reduce flare and ghosting. Align the lens hood with the front of the

lens and twist until it locks into position. For storage, the lens hood can be reversed and attached to the lens.



Image: The Tamron 150-600mm lens with its petal-shaped lens hood attached to the front, ready for use.

OPERATING THE LENS

Focus Mode Switch (AF/MF)

The lens features a switch to select between Autofocus (AF) and Manual Focus (MF). For automatic focusing, set the switch to 'AF'. For precise manual control, set it to 'MF' and adjust the focus ring directly.

Vibration Compensation (VC) Switch

The VC (Vibration Compensation) mechanism helps reduce camera shake, especially at longer focal lengths or slower shutter speeds. The lens offers multiple VC modes:

- **VC Mode 1 (Standard):** General-purpose stabilization.
- **VC Mode 2 (Panning):** Optimized for horizontal panning shots.
- **VC Mode 3 (Stabilization Priority):** Prioritizes stabilization for maximum shake reduction.

Toggle the VC switch to 'ON' to activate the Vibration Compensation. Select the appropriate mode based on your shooting scenario.



Image: A side view of the Tamron 150-600mm lens, highlighting the AF/MF and VC ON/OFF switches for controlling focus and image stabilization.

Zoom Ring and Zoom Lock

Rotate the zoom ring to adjust the focal length between 150mm and 600mm. The lens also features a zoom lock mechanism to prevent the lens barrel from extending unintentionally during transport or when shooting at a fixed focal length.



Image: The Tamron 150-600mm lens, displaying the textured zoom ring and the lock switch to secure the lens at a desired focal length or for transport.

Customization with TAP-in Console

The Tamron SP 150-600mm G2 lens can be customized using the optional Tamron TAP-in Console. This accessory allows users to update firmware, adjust autofocus settings, and customize the Vibration Compensation modes via a computer connection.

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Video: Official Tamron product video showcasing the features and capabilities of the SP 150-600mm G2 lens, including its intuitive design, zoom lock, Arca-Swiss style tripod mount, three stabilization modes (VC 1, VC 2, VC 3), faster AF speed, reduced minimum object distance for tele-macro photography, moisture-resistant construction with 10 special seals, and customization options with the TAP-in Console.

MAINTENANCE AND CARE

- **Cleaning:** Use a soft, lint-free cloth to clean the lens surfaces. For stubborn smudges, use a lens cleaning solution specifically designed for optical elements. Avoid touching the glass surfaces directly with your fingers.
- **Storage:** When not in use, store the lens with both front and rear caps attached in a dry, cool place away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures. Consider using a desiccant to prevent mold growth in humid environments.
- **Moisture Resistance:** While the lens features moisture-resistant construction, it is not waterproof. Avoid exposing the lens to heavy rain or submerging it in water. If the lens gets wet, wipe it dry immediately.
- **Handling:** Always handle the lens carefully. Avoid dropping it or subjecting it to strong impacts, as this can damage the internal optical and mechanical components.

TROUBLESHOOTING

"Lens not attached" Error

If your camera displays a "Lens not attached" error message after mounting the lens, ensure the lens is correctly seated and locked onto the camera body. Sometimes, switching the camera's shooting mode to 'Manual' (M) can resolve this issue, especially with certain manual lenses or adapters. For this Tamron lens, ensure it is securely mounted and the camera is set to a compatible mode.

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Video: A short video demonstrating how to address the "Lens not attached" error on a camera by switching the camera's mode dial to 'M' (Manual) mode. This can be a useful tip for resolving lens communication issues.

Autofocus Issues

- Ensure the AF/MF switch on the lens is set to 'AF'.
- Check that your camera's autofocus settings are appropriate for the shooting conditions.
- In low light, autofocus may struggle. Consider using manual focus or a brighter light source.

Image Blur/Softness

- Ensure the VC (Vibration Compensation) is 'ON' when shooting handheld, especially at longer focal lengths.
- Use a tripod or monopod for maximum stability.
- Check your shutter speed. A general rule is to use a shutter speed of at least 1/focal length (e.g., 1/600s at 600mm) to minimize shake.
- Verify that the lens and camera sensor are clean.

SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Model Number	A011N
Focal Length	150-600mm
Maximum Aperture	F/5-6.3
Lens Type	Telephoto Zoom
Compatible Mountings	Nikon DX
Minimum Focus Distance	2.7m (106.3in)
Max. Magnification Ratio	1:5
Vibration Compensation (VC)	Yes
Autofocus Motor	USD (Ultrasonic Silent Drive)
Product Dimensions	10.1 x 5 x 5 inches
Item Weight	4.3 pounds
Filter Size	95mm

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

This Tamron lens comes with a **Tamron 6 Year Limited USA Warranty**. Please refer to the warranty card included with your product for full terms and conditions. For technical support, service, or warranty claims, please contact Tamron customer service or visit the official Tamron website.

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