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INTRODUCTION

The SmallRig M50/M50 II/M5 Camera Cage 2168C is an upgraded aluminum alloy video rig designed to provide formfitting protection and versatile mounting options for your Canon M50, M50 Mark II, or M5 camera. This instruction manual details the features, setup, operation, and maintenance of your camera cage.



Image: The SmallRig 2168C camera cage mounted on a Canon M50 camera, showcasing its form-fitting design and integrated grip.

SETUP

Attaching the Camera Cage

The SmallRig 2168C cage is designed for easy and secure attachment to your compatible Canon camera. Follow these steps for proper installation:

1. Align your Canon M50, M50 Mark II, or M5 camera with the cage.
2. Secure the camera to the cage using the integrated 1/4"-20 screw located on the base plate. The base plate features a rubber cushion and an anti-twist design to prevent wobbling or scratching your camera.
3. Tighten the 1/4"-20 screw firmly. The cage includes a convenient magnetic flathead screwdriver stored at the bottom for quick adjustments.

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Image: Detailed view of the anti-twist design, rubber cushions, and 1/4"-20 screw on the cage's base plate, ensuring secure camera attachment.

OPERATING THE CAMERA CAGE

Versatile Mounting Points

The SmallRig 2168C cage offers numerous mounting points for expanding your camera setup:

- **Cold Shoe Mount:** Located on the top, ideal for attaching LED lights, microphones, or other cold shoe compatible accessories.
- **1/4" and 3/8" Threaded Holes:** Strategically placed around the cage for attaching various accessories such as monitors, articulating arms, or additional handles.
- **NATO Rails:** Positioned on the side for quick attachment and release of NATO rail compatible accessories, including side handles.
- **ARRI Locating Holes:** On the side, designed to prevent accessories from twisting when mounted.

Buttons and Screen Unobstructed



Image: An example setup demonstrating various accessories, including an LED light, microphone, and monitor, attached to the cage's versatile mounting points.

Ergonomic Design and Unobstructed Access

The cage features an ergonomic grip with a recessed arc-shaped design for enhanced comfort during handheld shooting. Its form-fitting design ensures full access to all camera functions and ports:

- **Screen Articulation:** The cage does not obstruct the camera's flip-out screen, allowing full articulation.
- **Battery Compartment:** The design provides clear access to the battery door for quick battery changes without removing the cage.

- **Ports and Buttons:** All camera control buttons, hot shoe, HDMI/SDI slot, and Wi-Fi transfer button remain unobstructed.



Image: Visual confirmation that the camera's screen can fully articulate and the battery compartment remains accessible while the cage is attached.

Quick Attach and Release

The bottom of the cage integrates an Arca-Swiss compatible plate, allowing for quick attachment and release from Arca-Swiss clamps. This feature enables seamless transitions between tripod and handheld shooting.



Image: The cage's base with an integrated Arca-Swiss plate, facilitating rapid mounting and dismounting from compatible tripod heads.

MAINTENANCE

The SmallRig 2168C camera cage is constructed from ultra-tough and lightweight aluminum alloy, designed to be resistant to oxidation and scratches. To maintain its condition, simply wipe the cage with a soft, dry cloth as needed. Avoid using harsh chemicals or abrasive materials that could damage the finish.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Camera Wiggle (Canon M50/M50 Mark II)

Some users have reported a slight

