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Model: D-Lux 7

## INTRODUCTION

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This manual provides comprehensive instructions for the safe and effective operation of your Leica D-Lux 7 Compact Camera. Please read this manual thoroughly before using the camera to ensure proper handling and to maximize its capabilities. Keep this manual for future reference.

## PRODUCT OVERVIEW

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The Leica D-Lux 7 is a high-performance compact camera designed for both enthusiasts and professionals. It features a 1-inch BSI CMOS sensor, a fast zoom lens, and advanced connectivity options, delivering exceptional image quality in a portable form factor.



Front view of the Leica D-Lux 7 camera, showcasing the lens, flash, and Leica branding.



Rear view of the Leica D-Lux 7 camera, highlighting the LCD touchscreen and various control buttons and dials.



Top view of the Leica D-Lux 7 camera with the lens retracted, showing the mode dial, shutter button, and exposure compensation dial.



Side view of the Leica D-Lux 7 camera, illustrating the manual focus, autofocus, and macro focus switch.

## SETUP

### 1. Unboxing and Initial Inspection

Carefully remove all components from the packaging. Ensure the following items are present:

- Leica D-Lux 7 Camera Body

- Lens Cap
- USB Cable
- Battery
- Shoulder Strap
- Battery Charger

Inspect the camera and accessories for any signs of damage. If any items are missing or damaged, contact your retailer.

## 2. Charging the Battery

1. Insert the provided battery into the battery charger.
2. Connect the battery charger to a power outlet using the appropriate power cable.
3. The charging indicator light on the charger will illuminate. It will change or turn off once charging is complete.
4. Alternatively, the camera supports USB charging. Connect the camera to a USB power source using the supplied USB cable.

A fully charged battery is essential for optimal camera performance.

## 3. Inserting the Battery and Memory Card

1. Open the battery/memory card compartment cover located on the bottom of the camera.
2. Insert the charged battery into the battery slot, ensuring the correct orientation as indicated inside the compartment. Push until it clicks into place.
3. Insert a compatible SD/SDHC/SDXC memory card (Class 10 (U1) or higher recommended for 4K video) into the memory card slot with the label facing the correct direction. Push until it clicks.
4. Close the compartment cover securely.

## 4. Attaching the Shoulder Strap

Thread the shoulder strap through the strap lugs on both sides of the camera body. Ensure it is securely fastened to prevent accidental drops.

## 5. Initial Power On and Basic Settings

Press the power button to turn on the camera. Follow the on-screen prompts to set the date, time, and language. These settings are crucial for proper file management and geotagging if connected to a smartphone.

# OPERATING THE CAMERA

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## 1. Basic Controls and Dials

Familiarize yourself with the main controls:

- **Shutter Button:** Located on the top, press halfway to focus, fully to take a picture.
- **Mode Dial:** On the top, select shooting modes (Program, Aperture Priority, Shutter Priority, Manual, etc.).
- **Exposure Compensation Dial:** Adjusts exposure compensation.
- **Aperture Ring:** Located on the lens, controls the lens aperture.
- **Control Ring:** On the lens, can be customized for various functions like zoom or focus.
- **Rear Dial/Buttons:** Navigate menus, adjust ISO, white balance, and other settings.
- **Touchscreen LCD:** Use for touch focus, menu navigation, and image review.
- **Electronic Viewfinder (EVF):** Provides an alternative for composing shots, especially in bright conditions.

## 2. Shooting Modes

The D-Lux 7 offers various shooting modes to suit different photographic needs:

- **Program AE (P):** Camera sets aperture and shutter speed automatically.
- **Aperture Priority AE (A):** You set the aperture, camera sets shutter speed. Ideal for controlling depth of field.
- **Shutter Priority AE (S):** You set the shutter speed, camera sets aperture. Ideal for controlling motion blur.
- **Manual Exposure (M):** You set both aperture and shutter speed.
- **Intelligent Auto (iA):** Camera automatically detects the scene and applies optimal settings.
- **Scene Modes:** Pre-set modes for specific situations (e.g., Portrait, Landscape, Sports).

## 3. Focusing

The camera features Contrast Detection Autofocus. You can select different focus modes:

- **AF-S (Single AF):** Focuses once when the shutter button is pressed halfway.
- **AF-C (Continuous AF):** Continuously focuses on a moving subject.
- **MF (Manual Focus):** Allows precise manual focusing using the lens control ring.

Use the AF/MF switch on the side of the lens barrel to quickly switch between autofocus and manual focus.

## 4. Image and Video Capture

The D-Lux 7 supports both still image and video recording.

- **Still Images:** Capture high-resolution JPEG and RAW files. Adjust aspect ratio (16:9, 1:1, 3:2, 4:3) as needed.
- **Video Recording:** Record stunning 4K video at 24, 25, or 30 frames per second. The camera also supports 4K photo modes for extracting still frames from video.

## 5. Connectivity (Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, USB)

The camera offers versatile connectivity options:

- **Wi-Fi:** Connect to the Leica FOTOS app on your smartphone or tablet for remote control, image transfer, and geotagging.
- **Bluetooth:** Maintain a low-power connection with your smart device for quick pairing and background data transfer.
- **USB:** Use the USB cable to connect the camera to a computer for file transfer or for in-camera battery charging.
- **Micro-HDMI:** Connect to an external display for reviewing photos and videos.

## MAINTENANCE AND CARE

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- **Cleaning the Lens:** Use a soft, lint-free cloth or a lens brush to gently remove dust. For smudges, use a specialized lens cleaning solution applied to a cloth, not directly to the lens.
- **Cleaning the Camera Body:** Wipe the camera body with a soft, dry cloth. Avoid using harsh chemicals or solvents.
- **Storage:** When not in use, store the camera in a dry, cool place, away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures. Use a desiccant packet if storing in humid environments.
- **Battery Care:** Do not expose batteries to extreme heat or cold. Store them in a cool, dry place. If not using the camera for an extended period, remove the battery.
- **Firmware Updates:** Periodically check the Leica website for firmware updates to ensure optimal performance and access to new features.

## TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Camera does not power on.	Battery is depleted or incorrectly inserted.	Charge the battery fully and ensure it is inserted correctly.
Cannot take pictures.	Memory card is full, locked, or not inserted.	Insert a memory card, unlock it, or delete unnecessary files.
Images are blurry.	Incorrect focus, camera shake, or dirty lens.	Ensure proper focus, use a faster shutter speed or image stabilization, clean the lens.
Wi-Fi/Bluetooth connection fails.	Incorrect settings, interference, or app issues.	Check camera and device settings, restart both, ensure app is updated.
Video recording stops unexpectedly.	Memory card speed is too slow or recording limit reached.	Use a faster memory card (Class 10/UHS-I or higher) and ensure sufficient space.

## SPECIFICATIONS

General	
Brand	Leica
Model Name	D-Lux 7
Form Factor	Compact
Color	Black
Item Weight	14.22 Ounces
Sensor & Image	
Photo Sensor Technology	BSI CMOS
Effective Still Resolution	17 MP
Photo Sensor Size	1-inch
Supported File Format	RAW, JPEG
Aspect Ratio	16:9, 1:1, 3:2, 4:3
Image Stabilization	Optical
Lens	
Lens Type	DC Vario-Summilux 3.1x Zoom Lens
Focal Length (35mm equiv.)	24-75mm
Maximum Aperture	f/1.7-2.8
Optical Zoom	3x
Digital Zoom	4x

<b>Display &amp; Viewfinder</b>	
Screen Size	3 Inches
Display Type	LCD
Display Resolution	1,240,000 dots
Touch Screen Type	Capacitive
Viewfinder	Built-In Electronic
<b>Video</b>	
Video Capture Format	4K
Video Resolution	720p
<b>Storage &amp; Connectivity</b>	
Flash Memory Type	Single Slot: SD/SDHC/SDXC
Recommended Memory Card Speed	Class 10 (U1) or higher
Connectivity Technology	Bluetooth, Wi-Fi, USB
Video Output	Micro-HDMI
<b>Power</b>	
Battery Type	Lithium Ion
Are Batteries Included	Yes

## WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

### Warranty Information

The Leica D-Lux 7 Compact Camera comes with a manufacturer's warranty. Please refer to the warranty card included in your product packaging for specific terms, conditions, and duration of coverage. Keep your proof of purchase for warranty claims.

### Customer Support

For technical assistance, service, or inquiries regarding your Leica D-Lux 7, please visit the official Leica website or contact their customer support. Contact information can typically be found on the Leica website or in the documentation provided with your camera.

For additional resources and product information, you may visit the [Leica Store on Amazon](#).