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Godox Ving V860III TTL Li-Ion Flash Kit User Manual

Model: V860III-N

1. Introduction

This manual provides detailed instructions for the safe and effective use of your Godox Ving V860III TTL Li-Ion Flash Kit. Please read this manual thoroughly before using the product to ensure proper operation and to prevent damage to the unit or injury to yourself.
The Godox Ving V860III is a high-performance TTL Li-Ion flash designed for Nikon cameras, offering advanced features such as a built-in Godox 2.4G wireless X system, a powerful lithium-ion battery, and a user-friendly interface for versatile lighting control.

2. What's Included

The Godox Ving V860III TTL Li-Ion Flash Kit typically includes the following components:

- Godox Ving V860III Flash Unit
- VB26 Lithium Battery
- Battery Charger
- USB Cable
- Mini Stand
- Protective Case
- Instruction Manual (this document)



Figure 2.1: All components included in the Godox Ving V860III TTL Li-Ion Flash Kit. This image displays the flash unit, lithium battery, battery charger, USB cable, mini stand, and protective case.

3. Key Features

The Godox V860III flash unit incorporates several advanced features designed to enhance your photography experience:

3.1. Modeling Light for Pre-visualization



Figure 3.1: Close-up of the Godox V860III flash head showing the integrated modeling light.

A modeling light is integrated into the flash head to assist in previewing the light effect before shooting. This feature allows for better understanding of light distribution and shadow placement. It offers 10 levels of dimmable brightness, providing flexibility for pre-visualization and fine-tuning your lighting setup.

3.2. Quick Switch for Smooth Control



Figure 3.2: Detail of the quick switch button on the Godox V860III, allowing rapid toggling between TTL and Manual flash modes.

The V860III features a dedicated quick switch button, conveniently located for easy access. This allows users to rapidly switch between TTL (Through-The-Lens) automatic flash mode and Manual flash mode, streamlining the shooting process and adapting quickly to different lighting scenarios.

3.3. Zoomable Flash Head



Figure 3.3: The LCD screen of the Godox V860III displaying the current zoom setting of the flash head.

The flash head's zoom range can be adjusted automatically or manually from 20mm to 200mm. This flexibility allows for precise control over the light spread, ensuring optimal illumination whether you are shooting in a wide-angle setting or focusing on a specific subject.

4. Setup

4.1. Charging the Battery

1. Insert the VB26 Lithium Battery into the provided 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 show the charging status. Ensure the battery is fully charged before first use.

4.2. Installing the Battery

1. Locate the battery compartment on the flash unit.
2. Open the battery compartment cover.
3. Insert the charged VB26 battery, ensuring correct polarity as indicated inside the compartment.
4. Close the battery compartment cover securely.

4.3. Mounting the Flash to Your Camera

1. Ensure your camera is turned off.
2. Slide the flash unit's hot shoe into your camera's hot shoe mount.
3. Tighten the locking ring or lever on the flash unit to secure it firmly to the camera.
4. Alternatively, the flash can be used off-camera with a compatible wireless trigger system.

5. Operating Instructions

5.1. Power On/Off

To power on the flash, slide the power switch to the "ON" position. To power off, slide it to the "OFF" position.

5.2. Mode Selection (TTL/Manual)

Press the **Quick Switch** button (labeled TTL/M) to toggle between TTL (Through-The-Lens) automatic flash mode and Manual flash mode. In TTL mode, the flash output is automatically adjusted by the camera. In Manual mode, you control the flash power output directly.

5.3. Adjusting Flash Power (Manual Mode)

In Manual mode, use the dial or buttons to adjust the flash power output. The power is typically expressed as a fraction (e.g., 1/1, 1/2, 1/4, up to 1/256). A higher fraction (e.g., 1/1) indicates full power, while a lower fraction (e.g., 1/256) indicates minimum power.

5.4. Zoom Adjustment

The flash head zoom can be set to automatic or manual. In automatic mode, the flash zoom adjusts to match the focal length of your lens. In manual mode, you can set the zoom from 20mm to 200mm using the zoom button and dial on the flash unit.

5.5. Wireless Operation

The Godox V860III features a built-in Godox 2.4G wireless X system. It can function as a master or slave unit. Refer to the detailed wireless settings in the full instruction manual for pairing and group control.

6. Maintenance

6.1. Cleaning the Flash Unit

- Use a soft, dry cloth to clean the exterior of the flash unit.
- For stubborn dirt, a slightly damp cloth can be used, followed by a dry cloth.
- Do not use strong detergents or solvents, as they may damage the finish.
- Keep the hot shoe contacts clean and free of debris.

6.2. Battery Care

- Store the lithium battery in a cool, dry place when not in use.
- Avoid fully discharging the battery for extended periods.
- Recharge the battery periodically if stored for a long time to maintain its health.
- Do not expose the battery to extreme temperatures or direct sunlight.

6.3. Storage

When not in use, store the flash unit in its protective case to prevent dust accumulation and physical damage. Remove the battery if storing for an extended period.

7. Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution

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Flash does not fire.	Battery low or not installed correctly. Flash not powered on. Hot shoe connection poor. Camera flash settings incorrect.	Charge/reinstall battery. Turn flash on. Ensure flash is securely mounted. Check camera's flash settings (e.g., external flash enabled).
Flash output is too weak/strong.	Incorrect flash power setting (Manual mode). TTL exposure compensation needed.	Adjust manual power output. Apply flash exposure compensation on camera or flash.
Flash head does not zoom.	Flash in manual zoom mode, or issue with zoom mechanism.	Check zoom settings on flash. If problem persists, contact support.
Wireless trigger not working.	Incorrect channel/group settings. Distance too far. Interference.	Verify channel and group settings on both flash and trigger. Reduce distance. Avoid sources of interference.

8. Specifications

Feature	Detail
Model Number	V860III-N
Brand	GODOX
Compatible Mountings	Nikon
Flash Sync Speed	Up to 1/8000s (High-Speed Sync)
Power Source	VB26 Li-Ion Battery
Item Weight	2.14 pounds (approx. 0.97 kg)
Package Dimensions	9 x 8.3 x 4 inches (approx. 22.86 x 21.08 x 10.16 cm)
Included Components	Flash Unit, Lithium Battery, Battery Charger, USB Cable, Mini Stand, Protective Case

9. Warranty and Support

For warranty information and technical support, please refer to the official Godox website or contact your authorized dealer. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase for warranty claims.
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