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Model: A4I, A5I

1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides detailed instructions for the safe and effective use of your Fotopro 73-inch Camera Tripod/Monopod. Please read this manual thoroughly before operating the product and retain it for future reference.

The Fotopro A4I/A5I is a versatile aluminum tripod designed for cameras, smartphones, and other compatible devices. It features a detachable fluid head, quick-release plate, and converts into a monopod for enhanced flexibility.

2. SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

- Ensure all locks and adjustments are securely tightened before mounting equipment.
- Do not exceed the maximum load capacity of 17.6 lbs (8 kg).
- Avoid placing the tripod on unstable or uneven surfaces.
- Keep hands and fingers clear of moving parts when adjusting the tripod.
- Do not leave equipment unattended on the tripod, especially in windy conditions.
- Clean the tripod with a soft, dry cloth. Avoid harsh chemicals.

3. PACKAGE CONTENTS

Verify that all items are present in the package:

- Fotopro 73" Camera Tripod/Monopod
- Fluid Head
- Quick Release Plate
- Carrying Bag

- Instruction Manual (this document)
- Allen Key (hidden in tripod bracket)



Figure 1: Fotopro 73-inch Tripod and Monopod components, including the carrying bag.

4. SETUP

4.1 Attaching the Fluid Head

1. Unfold the tripod legs.
2. Ensure the central column is securely fastened.
3. Mount the fluid head onto the central column's 3/8" screw. Rotate clockwise until tight.
4. Secure the fluid head with the locking knob located on the central column.

4.2 Mounting Your Camera/Device

1. Locate the quick release plate on the fluid head.

2. Press the release button or lever to detach the quick release plate.
3. Attach the quick release plate to the bottom of your camera or device using the 1/4" screw. Ensure it is tightened securely.
4. Slide the quick release plate with your device back into the fluid head until it clicks into place. Verify it is locked.



Figure 2: Camera mounted on the fluid head, illustrating the 360-degree horizontal rotation and 145-degree pitching angle capabilities.

5. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

5.1 Adjusting Tripod Height

The tripod features 4-section column legs with quick-release flip-locks. To adjust height:

1. Open the flip-locks on each leg section.
2. Extend the leg sections to the desired height.
3. Close the flip-locks firmly to secure the legs.

4. The central column can also be extended for additional height. Loosen the central column lock, extend, and re-tighten.

The working height ranges from 16.2 inches (41 cm) to 72.5 inches (184 cm).

5.2 Adjusting Shooting Angle

The 36mm metal fluid head allows for precise angle adjustments:

- **Horizontal Rotation:** Loosen the panoramic knob on the fluid head to rotate 360 degrees horizontally. Tighten to lock.
- **Pitching Angle:** Use the pitch knob to adjust the vertical angle up to 145 degrees. Tighten to lock.
- **Low Angle Shooting/Macro Photography:** The central pole can be inverted. To do this, remove the fluid head, invert the central column, and reattach the fluid head. This allows for very low camera positions.

**Can be monopod
Multifunctional**
Simple and fast

**Lighter
Outdoor shooting is easier**
Weight as light as a
mirror-less camera

A4i only
1.2kg

A7M3 is 1.3kg

**For 70-200cm
telephoto lens
Camera or Video**

70-200

Figure 3: Examples of diverse shooting angles and scenarios achievable with the Fotopro tripod, including low-angle and macro photography.

5.3 Monopod Conversion

One of the tripod legs can be detached and converted into a monopod:

1. Identify the leg marked for monopod conversion (often with a foam grip).
2. Unscrew this leg from the tripod chassis.
3. Unscrew the bottom cover of the central column.
4. Pull the central column upwards to detach it.
5. Connect the detached central column to the top of the monopod leg.
6. You can then attach the fluid head to the top of the assembled monopod.

EASILY BECOME MONOPOD

TAKE PICTURES WHILE WALKING EASILY

Simple and fast to change into a monopod, more flexible and stable for capturing moments, offering more diverse photography. It can also be used as a hiking stick, further reducing the carrying weight of the tripod

Monopod mode



NO.1 Unscrew one leg, unscrew out the bottom cover of the center column, and pull the center column upwards

NO.2 Connect the center column to the leg

It can be stretched up to **2.11 METERS**



Figure 4: Step-by-step guide for converting the tripod into a monopod, demonstrating its use for mobile photography.

5.4 Using External Accessories

The tripod bracket includes two 1/4" threaded holes for attaching external accessories such as magic arms, mobile phone holders, or monitors.

6. MAINTENANCE

- **Cleaning:** Wipe the tripod with a soft, dry cloth after each use. For stubborn dirt, use a slightly damp cloth and then dry thoroughly. Do not use abrasive cleaners or solvents.
- **Lubrication:** Moving parts, such as leg locks and head mechanisms, may benefit from occasional light lubrication with silicone-based grease if they become stiff. Avoid over-lubrication.
- **Storage:** Store the tripod in its carrying bag in a cool, dry place away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures.
- **Inspection:** Periodically check all screws, bolts, and locks for tightness. The hidden Allen key can be used for minor adjustments.

7. TROUBLESHOOTING

7.1 Tripod is Unstable

- Ensure all leg sections are fully extended and their flip-locks are securely closed.
- Verify the central column lock is tightened.
- Check that the tripod is placed on a flat, stable surface.
- Confirm that the camera or device is properly mounted and the quick release plate is locked.

7.2 Fluid Head Movement is Stiff or Loose

- **Stiff:** Check if the panoramic knob or pitch knob is overtightened. Loosen slightly.
- **Loose:** Tighten the panoramic knob and pitch knob as needed. If persistent, a small amount of silicone lubricant may be applied to the moving parts (consult Fotopro support if unsure).

7.3 Monopod Conversion Difficulty

- Ensure you are unscrewing the correct leg designated for monopod conversion.
- Verify that the central column's bottom cover is fully unscrewed before attempting to pull it out.

8. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Specification
Brand	Fotopro
Model	A4I / A5I
Material	Magnesium Aluminum Alloy
Maximum Height	72.5 inches (1.86 meters)
Minimum Height	16.2 inches (41 cm)
Folded Length	17 inches (43 cm)
Leg Sections	4
Load Capacity	17.6 lbs (8 kg)
Item Weight	2.95 lbs (1.34 kg)
Head Type	36mm Metal Fluid Head
Horizontal Rotation	360 degrees
Pitching Angle	145 degrees
Compatible Devices	DSLR cameras, Mirrorless cameras, Action cameras, Card cameras, Smartphones, Projectors (with 1/4" screw hole)
UPC	782279532399

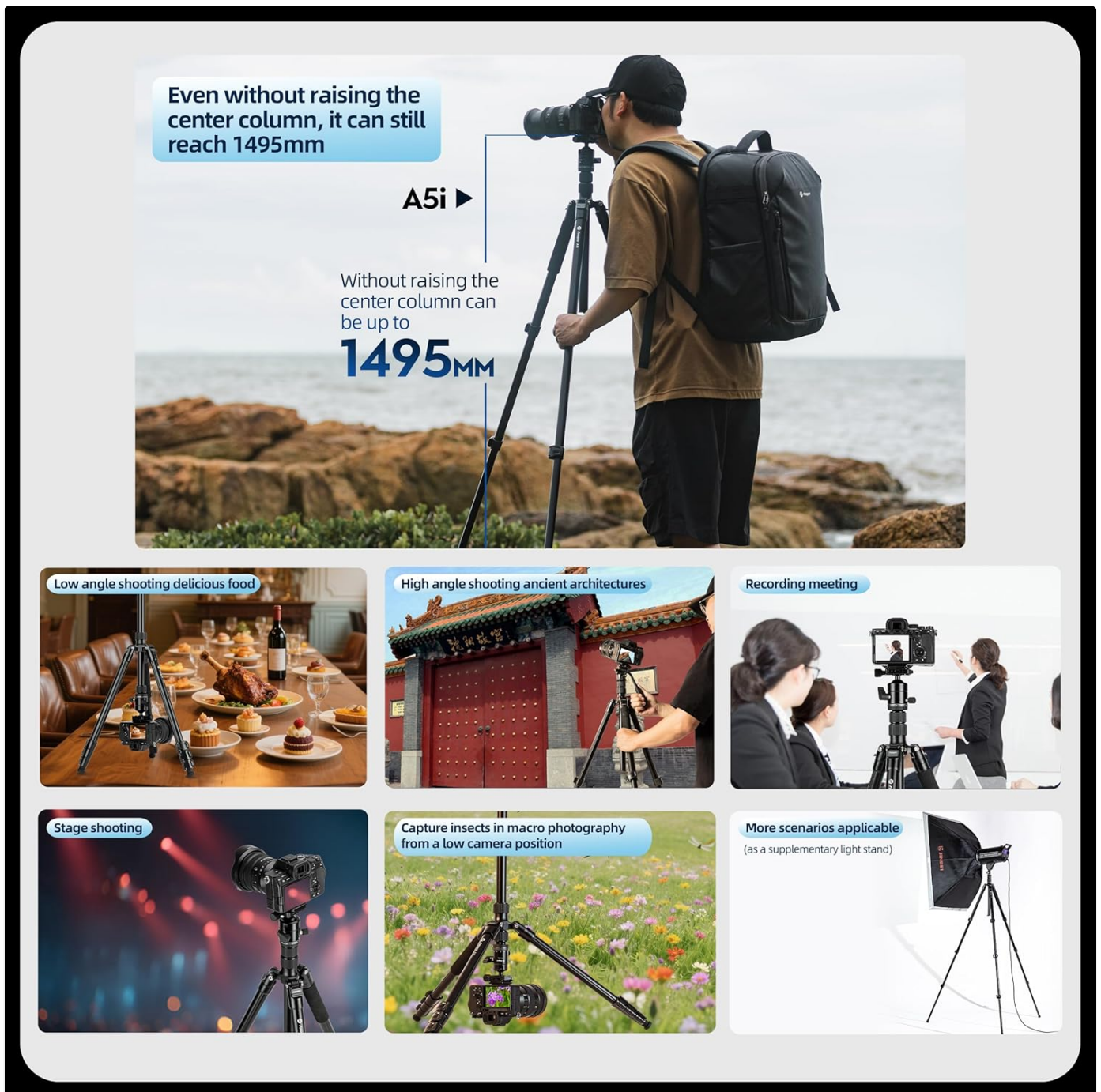


Figure 5: Detailed view of the Fotopro tripod, highlighting key components such as the universal 1/4" camera screw, panoramic knob, pitch knob, double-ended screws, angle adjustment button, aluminum legs, hidden hook, thickened flip knobs, and firm rubber pad with spike.

9. WARRANTY INFORMATION

Fotopro products are covered by a limited warranty against manufacturing defects. For specific warranty terms and conditions, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official Fotopro website. Please retain your proof of purchase for warranty claims.

10. CUSTOMER SUPPORT

For technical assistance, troubleshooting, or spare parts, please contact Fotopro customer support:

- **Website:** Visit the Fotopro Store on Amazon (for general inquiries and product information)
- Refer to the contact information provided in your product packaging for direct support channels.

