

Nikon

DIGITAL CAMERA

COOLPIX A100



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Introduction

Read This First

To get the most from this Nikon product, be sure to read “For Your Safety” (📖vii–ix), and all other instructions thoroughly and keep them where they will be read by all who use the camera.

- If you want to start using the camera right away, see “Preparing for Shooting” (📖1) and “Basic Shooting and Playback Operations” (📖6).

Downloading the “Reference Manual”

The Reference Manual (PDF format) provides more details in various languages on how to use this camera. Download the Reference Manual from our Download Center at the URL below.

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- The Reference Manual can be viewed using Adobe Reader, available for free download from the Adobe website.

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Nikon User Support

Visit the site below to register your camera and keep up-to-date with the latest product information. You will find answers to frequently asked questions (FAQs) and can contact us for technical assistance.

<http://www.europe-nikon.com/support>

Confirming the Package Contents

In the event that any items are missing, please contact the store where you purchased the camera.



- ☐ COOLPIX A100
Digital Camera



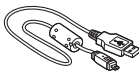
- ☐ Camera Strap



- ☐ Rechargeable Li-ion
Battery EN-EL19



- ☐ Charging AC Adapter
EH-72P*



- ☐ USB Cable UC-E16

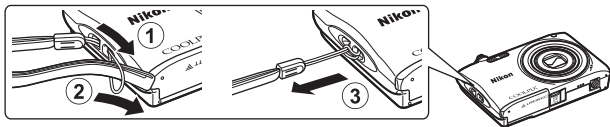
- ☐ Quick Start Guide (this
manual)

- ☐ Warranty (printed on the back cover of this manual)

* A plug adapter is included if the camera was purchased in a country or region that requires a plug adapter. The shape of the plug adapter varies with the country or region of purchase (📖2).

NOTE: A memory card is not included with the camera. SD, SDHC, and SDXC memory cards are referred to as “memory cards” in this manual.

How to Attach the Camera Strap



Information and Precautions

Life-Long Learning

As part of Nikon's "Life-Long Learning" commitment to ongoing product support and education, continually updated information is available online at the following websites:

- For users in the U.S.A.: <http://www.nikonusa.com/>
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Visit these websites to keep up-to-date with the latest product information, tips, answers to frequently asked questions (FAQs), and general advice on digital imaging and photography. Additional information may be available from the Nikon representative in your area. Visit the website below for contact information.

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THE USE OF NON-NIKON ELECTRONIC ACCESSORIES COULD DAMAGE THE CAMERA AND MAY VOID YOUR NIKON WARRANTY.

The use of third-party rechargeable Li-ion batteries not bearing the Nikon holographic seal could interfere with normal operation of the camera or result in the batteries overheating, igniting, rupturing, or leaking.

Holographic seal: Identifies this device as an authentic Nikon product.



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Please note that deleting images or formatting data storage devices such as memory cards or built-in camera memory does not completely erase the original image data. Deleted files can sometimes be recovered from discarded storage devices using commercially available software, potentially resulting in the malicious use of personal image data. Ensuring the privacy of such data is the user's responsibility.

Before discarding a data storage device or transferring ownership to another person, erase all data using commercial deletion software, or format the device and then completely refill it with images containing no private information (for example, images of empty sky). Care should be taken to avoid injury or damage to property when physically destroying data storage devices.

For Your Safety

To prevent damage to your Nikon product or injury to yourself or to others, read the following safety precautions in their entirety before using this equipment. Keep these safety instructions where all those who use the product will read them.

The consequences that could result from failure to observe the precautions listed in this section are indicated by the following symbol:



This icon marks warnings, information that should be read before using this Nikon product, to prevent possible injury.

WARNINGS



Turn off in the event of malfunction

Should you notice smoke or an unusual smell coming from the camera or Charging AC Adapter, unplug the Charging AC Adapter and remove the battery immediately, taking care to avoid burns. Continued operation could result in injury. After removing or disconnecting the power source, take the equipment to a Nikon-authorized service representative for inspection.



Do not disassemble

Touching the internal parts of the camera or Charging AC Adapter could result in injury. Repairs should be performed only by qualified technicians. Should the camera or Charging AC Adapter break open as the result of a fall or other accident, take the product to a Nikon-authorized service representative for inspection, after unplugging the product and/or removing the battery.



Do not use the camera or Charging AC Adapter in the presence of flammable gas

Do not use electronic equipment in the presence of flammable gas, as this could result in explosion or fire.



Handle the camera strap with care

Never place the strap around the neck of an infant or child.



Keep out of reach of children

Particular care should be taken to prevent infants from putting the battery or other small parts into their mouths.

 Do not remain in contact with the camera, Charging AC Adapter, or AC adapter for extended periods while the devices are on or in use

Parts of the devices become hot. Leaving the devices in direct contact with the skin for extended periods may result in low-temperature burns.

 Do not leave the product where it will be exposed to extremely high temperatures, such as in an enclosed automobile or in direct sunlight

Failure to observe this precaution could cause damage or fire.

 Observe caution when handling the battery

The battery may leak, overheat, or explode if improperly handled. Observe the following precautions when handling the battery for use in this product:

- Before replacing the battery, turn the product off. If you are using the Charging AC Adapter/AC adapter, be sure it is unplugged.
- Use only a Rechargeable Li-ion Battery EN-EL19 (included). Charge the battery by using a camera that supports battery charging. To perform this operation, use either Charging AC Adapter EH-72P (included) or the **Charge by computer** function. The Battery Charger MH-66 (available separately) is also available to charge the battery without using a camera.
- When inserting the battery, do not attempt to insert it upside down or backwards.
- Do not short or disassemble the battery or attempt to remove or break the battery insulation or casing.
- Do not expose the battery to flame or to excessive heat.
- Do not immerse in or expose to water.
- Put the battery in a plastic bag, etc. in order to insulate it before transporting. Do not transport or store with metal objects such as necklaces or hairpins.
- The battery is prone to leakage when fully discharged. To avoid damage to the product, be sure to remove the battery when no charge remains.
- Discontinue use immediately should you notice any change in the battery, such as discoloration or deformation.
- If liquid from the damaged battery comes in contact with clothing or skin, rinse immediately with plenty of water.

 Observe the following precautions when handling the Charging AC Adapter

- Keep dry. Failure to observe this precaution could result in fire or electric shock.
- Dust on or near the metal parts of the plug should be removed with a dry cloth. Continued use could result in fire.
- Do not handle the plug or go near the Charging AC Adapter during lightning storms. Failure to observe this precaution could result in electric shock.

- Do not damage, modify, forcibly tug or bend the USB cable, place it under heavy objects, or expose it to heat or flames. Should the insulation be damaged and the wires become exposed, take it to a Nikon-authorized service representative for inspection. Failure to observe these precautions could result in fire or electric shock.
- Do not handle the plug or Charging AC Adapter with wet hands. Failure to observe this precaution could result in electric shock.
- Do not use with travel converters or adapters designed to convert from one voltage to another or with DC-to-AC inverters. Failure to observe this precaution could damage the product or cause overheating or fire.

Use appropriate cables

When connecting cables to the input and output jacks, use only the cables provided or sold by Nikon for the purpose, to maintain compliance with product regulations.

Do not touch the moving parts of the lens

Failure to observe this precaution could result in injury.

Handle moving parts with care

Be careful that your fingers or other objects are not pinched by the lens cover or other moving parts.

Using the flash close to your subject's eyes could cause temporary visual impairment

The flash should be no less than 1 meter (3 ft 4 in.) from the subject. Particular care should be observed when photographing infants.

Do not operate the flash with the flash window touching a person or object

Failure to observe this precaution could result in burns or fire.

Avoid contact with liquid crystal

Should the monitor break, care should be taken to avoid injury caused by broken glass and to prevent liquid crystal from the monitor touching the skin or entering the eyes or mouth.

Follow the instructions of airline and hospital personnel

Notices

Notices for Customers in Europe

CAUTIONS

RISK OF EXPLOSION IF BATTERY IS REPLACED BY AN INCORRECT TYPE.

DISPOSE OF USED BATTERIES ACCORDING TO THE INSTRUCTIONS.

This symbol indicates that electrical and electronic equipment is to be collected separately.

The following apply only to users in European countries:

- This product is designated for separate collection at an appropriate collection point. Do not dispose of as household waste.
- Separate collection and recycling helps conserve natural resources and prevent negative consequences for human health and the environment that might result from incorrect disposal.
- For more information, contact the retailer or the local authorities in charge of waste management.



This symbol on the battery indicates that the battery is to be collected separately.

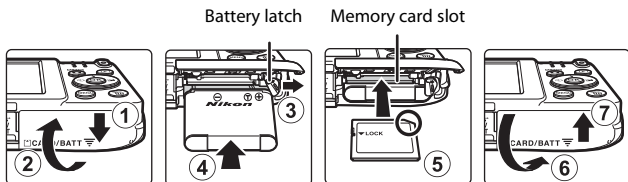
The following apply only to users in European countries:

- All batteries, whether marked with this symbol or not, are designated for separate collection at an appropriate collection point. Do not dispose of as household waste.
- For more information, contact the retailer or the local authorities in charge of waste management.



Preparing for Shooting

Insert the Battery and Memory Card



- With the battery's positive and negative terminals oriented correctly, move the orange battery latch (3), and fully insert the battery (4).
- Slide the memory card in until it clicks into place (5).
- Be careful not to insert the battery or memory card upside-down or backward, as this could cause a malfunction.

Formatting a Memory Card

The first time you insert a memory card that has been used in another device into this camera, make sure to format it with this camera. Insert the memory card into the camera, press the **MENU** button, and select **Format card** in the setup menu (12).

Removing the Battery or Memory Card

Turn the camera off and make sure that the power-on lamp and monitor have turned off, and then open the battery-chamber/memory card slot cover.

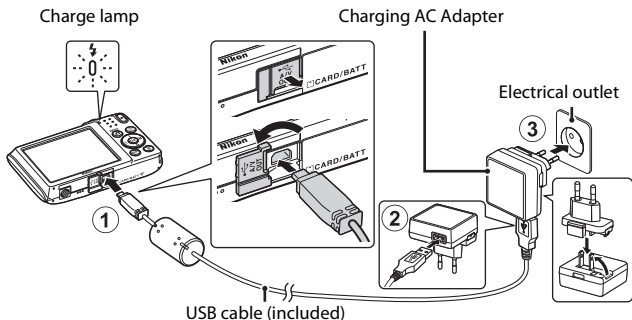
- Move the battery latch to eject the battery.
- Gently push the memory card into the camera to partially eject the memory card.
- Be careful when handling the camera, battery, and memory card immediately after using the camera, as they may become hot.

Memory Cards and Internal Memory

Camera data, including images and movies, can be saved either on a memory card or in the camera's internal memory. To use the camera's internal memory, remove the memory card.

Charge the Battery

- 1 With the battery installed, connect the camera to an electrical outlet.



If a plug adapter* is included with your camera, securely connect it to the Charging AC Adapter. Once the two are connected, attempting to forcibly remove the plug adapter could damage the product.

- * The shape of the plug adapter varies according to the country or region in which the camera was purchased. This step can be omitted if the plug adapter comes permanently bonded to the Charging AC Adapter.
- The charge lamp slowly flashes green to indicate that the battery is charging.
- When charging is complete, the charge lamp turns off. It takes about 3 hours to charge a fully exhausted battery.
- The battery cannot be charged when the charge lamp quickly flashes green, possibly due to one of the reasons described below.
 - The ambient temperature is not suited to charging.
 - The USB cable or Charging AC Adapter is not properly connected.
 - The battery is damaged.

- 2 Disconnect the Charging AC Adapter from the electrical outlet and then disconnect the USB cable.

Notes About the USB Cable

Make sure that the plugs are properly oriented. Do not insert or remove the plugs at an angle when connecting or disconnecting them.

Turning the Camera On While Charging

The camera does not turn on if you press the power switch while charging with the Charging AC Adapter. If you press and hold the  (playback) button, the camera turns on in playback mode, and captured images can be played back. Shooting is not possible.

Charging Using a Computer or Battery Charger

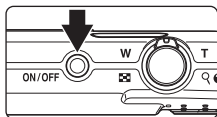
- You can also charge the battery by connecting the camera to a computer.
- You can use the Battery Charger MH-66 (available separately) to charge the battery without using the camera.

Turn the Camera On and Set the Display Language, Date, and Time

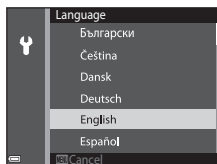
When the camera is turned on for the first time, the language-selection screen and the date and time setting screen for the camera clock are displayed.

1 Press the power switch to turn on the camera.

- The monitor turns on.
- To turn the camera off, press the power switch again.



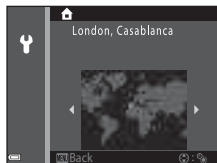
2 Use the multi selector ▲▼ to select the desired language and press the OK button.



3 Select **Yes** and press the OK button.

4 Select your home time zone and press the OK button.

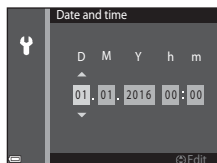
- Press ▲ to display ☀ above the map and enable daylight saving time. Press ▼ to disable it.



5 Use ▲▼ to select the date format and press the OK button.

6 Set the date and time, and press the **OK** button.

- Use **◀▶** to select a field and then use **▲▼** to set the date and time.
- Select the minute field and press the **OK** button to confirm the setting.



7 When the confirmation dialog is displayed, use **▲▼** to select **Yes** and press the **OK** button.

- When settings are finished, the lens extends.
- The shooting screen is displayed, and you can take pictures in scene auto selector mode.
- Battery level indicator
 - : The battery level is high.
 - : The battery level is low.
- Number of exposures remaining
 - is displayed when no memory card is inserted in the camera, and images are saved in the internal memory.

Number of exposures remaining



Battery level indicator



Changing the Language or the Date and Time Setting

- You can change these settings using the **Language** and **Time zone and date** settings in the **Y** setup menu (12).
- You can enable or disable daylight saving time in the **Y** setup menu by selecting **Time zone and date** followed by **Time zone**. Press the multi selector **▶** and then **▲** to enable daylight saving time and move the clock forward one hour, or **▼** to disable daylight saving time and move the clock back one hour.



The Clock Battery

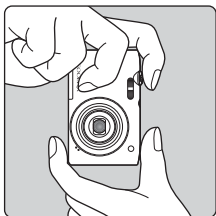
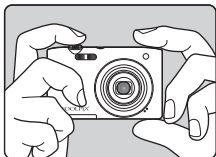
- The camera's clock is powered by a built-in backup battery. The backup battery charges when the main battery is inserted into the camera or when the camera is connected to an optional AC adapter, and it can run the clock for several days after about 10 hours of charging.
- If the camera's backup battery becomes exhausted, the date and time setting screen is displayed when the camera is turned on. Set the date and time again (4).

Basic Shooting and Playback Operations

Shooting with Scene Auto Selector Mode

1 Hold the camera steady.

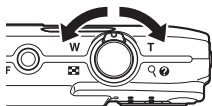
- Keep fingers and other objects away from the lens, flash, AF assist-illuminator, microphone, and speaker.
- When taking pictures in portrait ("tall") orientation, turn the camera so that the flash is above the lens.



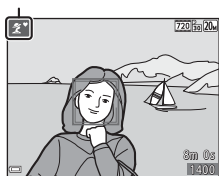
2 Frame the picture.

- Move the zoom control to change the zoom lens position.
- When the camera recognizes the shooting scene, the shooting mode icon changes accordingly.

Zoom out Zoom in

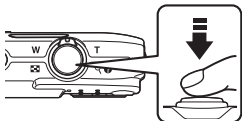


Shooting mode icon



3 Press the shutter-release button halfway.

- When the subject is in focus, the focus area or focus indicator is displayed in green.
- When you are using digital zoom, the camera focuses in the center of the frame and the focus area is not displayed.
- If the focus area or focus indicator flashes, the camera is unable to focus. Modify the composition and try pressing the shutter-release button halfway again.



4 Without lifting your finger, press the shutter-release button the rest of the way down.



✓ Notes About Saving Images or Movies

The indicator showing the number of exposures remaining or the indicator showing the remaining recording time flashes while images or movies are being saved. **Do not open the battery-chamber/memory card slot cover or remove the battery or memory card** while an indicator is flashing. Doing this could result in loss of data, or in damage to the camera or the memory card.

🔒 The Auto Off Function

- When no operations are performed for about one minute, the monitor turns off, the camera enters standby mode, and then the power-on lamp flashes. The camera turns off after remaining in standby mode for about three minutes.
- To turn the monitor back on while the camera is in standby mode, perform an operation such as pressing the power switch or shutter-release button.

🔒 When Using a Tripod

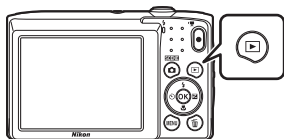
We recommend using a tripod to stabilize the camera in the following situations:

- When shooting in dim lighting with the flash mode (📖11) set to ⚡ (off)
- When the zoom is at a telephoto position

Play Back Images

- 1** Press the  (playback) button to enter playback mode.

- If you press and hold down the  button while the camera is turned off, the camera turns on in playback mode.



- 2** Use the multi selector to select an image to display.

- Press and hold down  to scroll through the images quickly.
- To return to shooting mode, press the  button or shutter-release button.

Display the previous image



Display the next image

- When  is displayed in full-frame playback mode, you can press the  button to apply an effect to the image.



- Move the zoom control toward **T** () in full-frame playback mode to zoom in on an image.

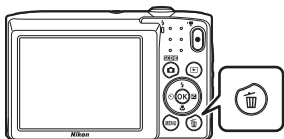


- In full-frame playback mode, move the zoom control toward **W** () to switch to thumbnail playback mode and display multiple images on the screen.



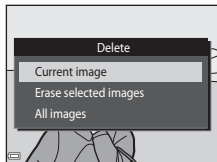
Delete Images

- 1 Press the  (delete) button to delete the image currently displayed in the monitor.



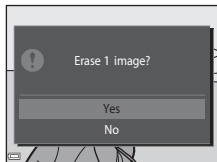
- 2 Use the multi selector   to select the desired deletion method and press the  button.

- To exit without deleting, press the **MENU** button.



- 3 Select **Yes** and press the  button.

- Deleted images cannot be recovered.



Deleting the Image Captured While in Shooting Mode

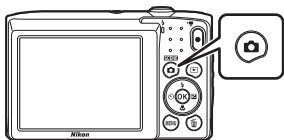
When using shooting mode, press the  button to delete the last image that was saved.

Changing the Shooting Mode

The shooting modes described below are available.

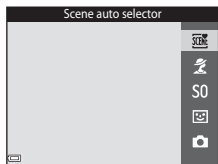
- **SCN Scene auto selector**
The camera automatically recognizes the shooting scene when you frame a picture, making it easier to take pictures using settings that suit the scene.
- **S Scene mode**
Camera settings are optimized according to the scene that you select.
- **SO Special effects**
Effects can be applied to images during shooting.
- **SR Smart portrait**
Use glamour retouch to enhance human faces during shooting, and use the smile timer function to take pictures.
- **S0 Auto mode**
Used for general shooting. Settings can be changed to suit the shooting conditions and the type of shot that you want to capture.

- 1** When the shooting screen is displayed, press the  (shooting mode) button.



- 2** Use the multi selector   to select a shooting mode and press the  button.

- When scene mode or special effects mode is selected, press  to select a scene mode or effect before pressing the  button.



Using the Flash, Self-timer, Etc.

When the shooting screen is displayed, you can press the multi selector ▲ (⚡) ◀ (⌚) ▼ (🌸) ▶ (📷) to set the functions described below.



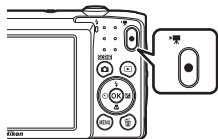
- **⚡ Flash mode**
You can select a flash mode to match the shooting conditions.
- **⌚ Self-timer**
The camera releases the shutter 10 seconds or 2 seconds after you press the shutter-release button.
- **🌸 Macro mode**
Use macro mode when you take close-up pictures.
- **📷 Exposure compensation**
You can adjust overall image brightness.

The functions that can be set vary depending on the shooting mode.

Recording Movies

Display the shooting screen and press the ● (🎥) movie-record button to start recording a movie. Press the ● (🎥) button again to end recording.

- To play back a movie, select a movie in full-frame playback mode and press the OK button.



Using Menus

You can set the menus listed below by pressing the **MENU** (menu) button.

- **📷 Shooting menu**

Available by pressing the **MENU** button when the shooting screen is displayed.

Allows you to change image size and quality, continuous shooting settings, etc.

- **▶ Playback menu**

Available by pressing the **MENU** button when viewing images in full-frame playback mode or thumbnail playback mode.

Allows you to edit images, play slide shows, etc.

- **🎬 Movie menu**

Available by pressing the **MENU** button when the shooting screen is displayed.

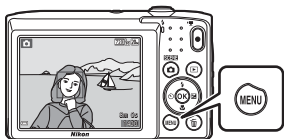
Allows you to change movie recording settings.

- **🔧 Setup menu**

Allows you to adjust basic camera functions such as date and time, display language, etc.

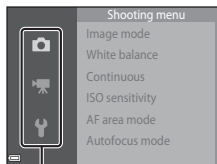
1 Press the **MENU** (menu) button.

- The menu is displayed.



2 Press the multi selector ◀.

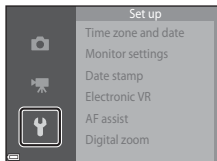
- The current menu icon is displayed in yellow.



Menu icons

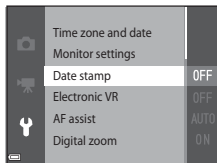
3 Select a menu icon and press the **OK** button.

- The menu options become selectable.



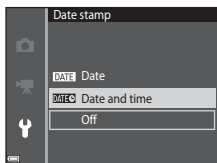
4 Select a menu option and press the **OK** button.

- Certain menu options cannot be set depending on the current shooting mode or the state of the camera.



5 Select a setting and press the **OK** button.

- The setting you selected is applied.
- When you are finished using the menu, press the **MENU** button.
- When a menu is displayed, you can switch to shooting mode by pressing the shutter-release button,  button, or  button.



Technical Notes

Caring for the Product

Observe the precautions described below in addition to the warnings in “For Your Safety” (☞vii–ix) when using or storing the device.

The Camera

Do Not Apply Strong Impact to the Camera

The product may malfunction if subjected to strong shock or vibration. In addition, do not touch or apply force to the lens or lens cover.

Keep Dry

The device will be damaged if immersed in water or subjected to high humidity.

Avoid Sudden Changes in Temperature

Sudden changes in temperature, such as when entering or leaving a heated building on a cold day, can cause condensation to form inside the device. To prevent condensation, place the device in a carrying case or a plastic bag before exposing it to sudden changes in temperature.

Keep Away from Strong Magnetic Fields

Do not use or store this device in the vicinity of equipment that generates strong electromagnetic radiation or magnetic fields. Doing so could result in loss of data or camera malfunction.

Do Not Point the Lens at Strong Light Sources for Extended Periods

Avoid pointing the lens at the sun or other strong light sources for extended periods when using or storing the camera. Intense light may cause the image sensor to deteriorate or produce a white blur effect in photographs.

Turn the Product Off Before Removing or Disconnecting the Power Source or Memory Card

Do not remove the battery while the product is on, or while images are being saved or deleted. Forcibly cutting power in these circumstances could result in loss of data or in damage to product memory or internal circuitry.

Notes About the Monitor

- Monitors and electronic viewfinders are constructed with extremely high precision; at least 99.99% of pixels are effective, with no more than 0.01% being missing or defective. Hence while these displays may contain pixels that are always lit (white, red, blue, or green) or always off (black), this is not a malfunction and has no effect on images recorded with the device.
- Images in the monitor may be difficult to see under bright lighting.
- Do not apply pressure to the monitor, as this could cause damage or malfunction. Should the monitor break, care should be taken to avoid injury caused by broken glass and to prevent the liquid crystal from the display touching the skin or entering the eyes or mouth.

Notes About Smear

White or colored streaks may be visible when bright subjects are framed in the monitor. This phenomenon, known as “smear,” occurs when extremely bright light strikes the image sensor; it is characteristic of image sensors and does not indicate a malfunction. Smear may also take the form of partial discoloration in the monitor during shooting. It does not appear in images saved with the camera except in the cases of movies. When recording movies, we recommend that you avoid bright subjects such as the sun, reflected sunlight, and electric lights.

The Battery

Precautions for Use

- Note that the battery may become hot after use.
- Do not use the battery at ambient temperatures below 0°C (32°F) or above 40°C (104°F) as this could cause damage or malfunction.
- If you notice any abnormalities such as excessive heat, smoke, or an unusual smell coming from the battery, immediately discontinue use and consult your retailer or Nikon-authorized service representative.
- After removing the battery from the camera or optional battery charger, put the battery in a plastic bag, etc. in order to insulate it.

Charging the Battery

Check the battery level before using the camera and replace or charge the battery if necessary.

- Charge the battery indoors with an ambient temperature of 5°C to 35°C (41°F to 95°F) before use.
- A high battery temperature may prevent the battery from charging properly or completely, and may reduce battery performance. Note that the battery may become hot after use; wait for the battery to cool before charging. When charging the battery inserted into this camera using the Charging AC Adapter or a computer, the battery is not charged at battery temperatures below 0°C (32°F) or above 45°C (113°F).
- Do not continue charging once the battery is fully charged as this will result in reduced battery performance.
- The battery temperature may increase during charging. However, this is not a malfunction.

Carrying Spare Batteries

Whenever possible, carry fully charged spare batteries when taking pictures on important occasions.

Using the Battery When Cold

On cold days, the capacity of batteries tends to decrease. If an exhausted battery is used at a low temperature, the camera may not turn on. Keep spare batteries in a warm place and exchange as necessary. Once warmed, a cold battery may recover some of its charge.

Battery Terminals

Dirt on the battery terminals may prevent the camera from functioning. Should the battery terminals become dirty, wipe them off with a clean, dry cloth before use.

Charging an Exhausted Battery

Turning the camera on or off while an exhausted battery is inserted in the camera may result in reduced battery life. Charge the exhausted battery before use.

Storing the Battery

- Always remove the battery from the camera or optional battery charger when it is not being used. Minute amounts of current are drawn from the battery while it is in the camera, even when not in use. This may result in excessive battery drain and complete loss of function.
- Recharge the battery at least once every six months and completely exhaust it before returning it to storage.
- Put the battery in a plastic bag, etc. in order to insulate it and store it in a cool place. The battery should be stored in a dry location with an ambient temperature of 15°C to 25°C (59°F to 77°F). Do not store the battery in hot or extremely cold locations.

Battery Life

A marked drop in the time a fully charged battery retains its charge, when used at room temperature, indicates that the battery needs to be replaced. Purchase a new battery.

Recycling Used Batteries

Replace the battery when it no longer holds a charge. Used batteries are a valuable resource. Please recycle used batteries in accordance with local regulations.

The Charging AC Adapter

- The Charging AC Adapter EH-72P is for use only with compatible devices. Do not use with another make or model of device.
- Do not, under any circumstances, use another make or model of AC adapter other than Charging AC Adapter EH-72P or USB-AC adapter. Failure to observe this precaution could result in overheating or in damage to the camera.
- The EH-72P is compatible with AC 100–240 V, 50/60 Hz electrical outlets. When using in other countries, use a plug adapter (commercially available) as necessary. For more information about plug adapters, consult your travel agency.
- The symbols on this product represent the following:
~ AC, ≡ DC,  Class II equipment (The construction of the product is double-insulated.)

Cleaning and Storage

Cleaning

Do not use alcohol, thinner, or other volatile chemicals.

Lens	Avoid touching glass parts with your fingers. Remove dust or lint with a blower (typically a small device with a rubber bulb attached to one end that is pumped to produce a stream of air out the other end). To remove fingerprints or other stains that cannot be removed with a blower, wipe the lens with a soft cloth, using a spiral motion that starts at the center of the lens and working toward the edges. If this fails, clean the lens using a cloth lightly dampened with commercial lens cleaner.
Monitor	Remove dust or lint with a blower. To remove fingerprints and other stains, clean the monitor with a soft, dry cloth, being careful not to apply pressure.
Body	Use a blower to remove dust, dirt, or sand, then wipe gently with a soft, dry cloth. After using the camera at the beach or other sandy or dusty environment, wipe off any sand, dust, or salt with a dry cloth lightly dampened with fresh water and dry thoroughly. Note that foreign matter inside the camera could cause damage not covered by the warranty.

Storage

Remove the battery if the camera will not be used for an extended period. To prevent mold or mildew, take the camera out of storage at least once a month. Turn the camera on and release the shutter a few times before putting the camera away again. Do not store the camera in any of the following locations:

- Places that are poorly ventilated or subject to humidity of over 60%
- Exposed to temperatures above 50°C (122°F) or below -10°C (14°F)
- Next to equipment that produces strong electromagnetic fields, such as televisions or radios

For storing the battery, follow the precautions in “The Battery” (📖15) in “Caring for the Product” (📖14).

Troubleshooting

If the camera fails to function as expected, check the list of common problems below before consulting your retailer or Nikon-authorized service representative.

Also, refer to the Reference Manual (PDF format) for further details on how to use this camera ()ii).

Problem	Cause/Solution	
The camera is on but does not respond.	Wait for recording to end. If the problem persists, turn the camera off. If the camera does not turn off, remove and reinsert the battery or batteries or, if you are using an AC adapter, disconnect and reconnect the AC adapter. Note that although any data currently being recorded will be lost, data that have already been recorded will not be affected by removing or disconnecting the power source.	–
The camera cannot be turned on.	The battery is exhausted.	1, 2, 16
The camera turns off without warning.	• The camera automatically turns off to save power (auto off function). • The camera and battery may not work properly at low temperatures. • The inside of the camera has become hot. Leave the camera off until the inside of the camera has cooled, and then try turning it on again.	7 15 –
The monitor is blank.	• The camera is off. • The camera automatically turns off to save power (auto off function). • The flash lamp flashes while the flash is charging. Wait until charging is complete. • The camera is connected to a TV or computer.	4 7 – –
The camera becomes hot.	The camera may become hot when used for an extended period of time to shoot movies or when used in a hot environment; this is not a malfunction.	–

Memory Cards That Can Be Used

The camera supports SD, SDHC, and SDXC memory cards.

- Memory cards with an SD Speed Class rating of 6 or faster are recommended for recording movies. When using a memory card with a lower Speed Class rating, movie recording may stop unexpectedly.
- If you use a card reader, make sure that it is compatible with your memory card.
- Contact the manufacturer for information on features, operation, and limitations on use.

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Warranty Terms - Nikon Europe Service Warranty

Dear Nikon Customer,

We thank you for your purchasing this Nikon product. Should your Nikon product require warranty service, please contact the dealer from whom it was purchased or a member of our authorized service network within the sales territory of Nikon Europe B.V. (e.g. Europe/Russia/others). See details under:

<http://www.europe-nikon.com/support>

In order to avoid any unnecessary inconvenience, we advise you to read the user manuals carefully before contacting the dealer or our authorized service network.

Your Nikon equipment is guaranteed against any manufacturing defects for one full year from the date of original purchase. If during this period of guarantee the product proves defective due to improper material or workmanship, our authorized service network within the sales territory of Nikon Europe B.V. will, without charge for labor and parts, repair the product in the terms and conditions set as below. Nikon reserves the right (at its sole discretion) to replace or repair the product.

- 1.** This warranty is only provided upon presentation of the completed warranty card and original invoice or purchase receipt indicating the date of purchase, product type and dealer's name, together with the product. Nikon reserves the right to refuse free-of-charge warranty service if the above documents cannot be presented or if the information contained in it is incomplete or illegible.
- 2.** This warranty will not cover:
 - necessary maintenance and repair or replacement of parts due to normal wear and tear.
 - modifications to upgrade the product from its normal purpose as described in user manuals, without the prior written consent of Nikon.

- transport costs and all risks of transport relating directly or indirectly to the warranty of the products.
- any damage resulting from modifications or adjustments which may be made to the product, without the prior written consent of Nikon, in order to comply with local or national technical standards in force in any other country than the ones for which the product was originally designed and/or manufactured.

3. The warranty will not be applicable in the case of:

- damage caused by misuse including but not limited to failure to use the product for its normal purpose or according to the user instructions on the proper use and maintenance, and to installation or use of the product inconsistent with the safety standards in force in the country where it is used.
- damage caused by accidents including but not limited to lightning, water, fire, misuse or neglect.
- defacing, illegibility or removal of the model or serial number on the product.
- damage resulting from repairs or adjustments which have been conducted by unauthorized service organizations or persons.
- defects in any system into which the product is incorporated or with which it is used.

4. This service warranty does not affect the consumer's statutory rights under applicable national laws in force, nor the consumer's right against the dealer arising from their sales/purchase contract.

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