

Getting started with your camera



1.) THE WRISTBAND

Make sure your camera is safe and secure by always using the wristband. In case your camera falls, the wristband will keep it from getting too damaged.

2.) POWER

Use the power button to turn on your camera when you start taking pictures. If you're not using your camera for more than a few minutes, turn it off to conserve battery power.

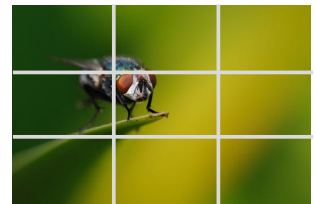


3.) STEADY YOURSELF

Photography is not just about knowing the functions of your camera... it involves being still too! Try and steady yourself before pressing the shutter button. Being still and quiet will help when photographing animals too.

4.) RULE OF THIRDS

Imagine a grid like the one here on your camera screen. It's used for the "Rule of Thirds", a camera technique that can help you position subjects in your frame in a way that is pleasing to the eye. Your camera may be able to display the grid for you! Check in your settings.

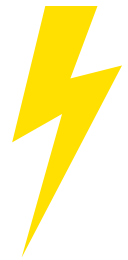


5.) ZOOM

The zoom on your camera helps you make things appear larger or smaller without having to move. Zooming in is marked by a plus (+) symbol and zooming out is marked by a minus (-) symbol.

6.) FLASH

If you need more light, turn on the flash. This will help illuminate the subject(s) in your frame. Without light, they could be hard to see in your photo!



7.) FOCUS

To make your photo clear and sharp, focus your image before capturing it. Press the shutter button down halfway, wait for the image to focus, then press the button down all the way to take a great picture.

8.) MACRO MODE

This is a setting that works really well for smaller subjects, such as flowers and insects. Without it, your camera might have a hard time getting focused. Turn Macro Mode on (it's symbolized by a flower) and you will be ready to take some great macro shots!



9.) SEE YOUR WORK

Want to see an image you took? Press the play button and you can view everything that was saved to the memory card inside your camera.

10.) DELETING

You might want to clean your memory card a bit or get rid of some photos to make room for more. But be careful what you press: it is possible to delete everything all at once! If you need to delete some photos, it's much safer to do so one at a time.



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