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## **Ricoh XR-M / XR-X**

#### The these two cameras are identical, the XR-X is European

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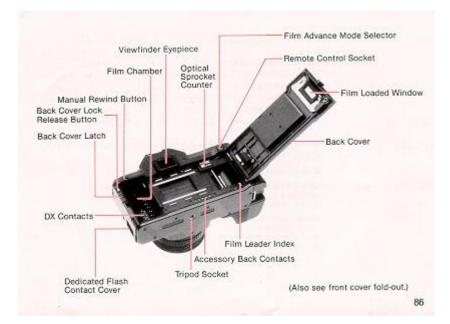
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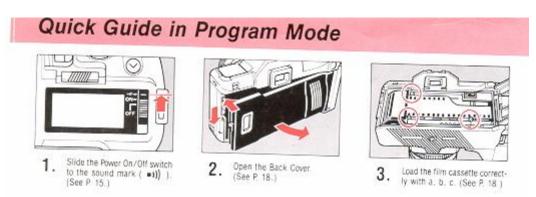
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#### LOCATING THE CONTROLS





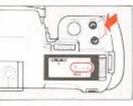
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For a more detailed explanation of these steps, refer to the pages shown in this owner's manual.



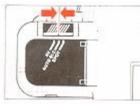
4. Set lens to the P (Program) position. (See P 14.)



5. Set the shutter speed to Auto (See P. 25.)



6. Set the Program Selector to P (Normal program setting) (See P. 26.)



 Set the Exposure Mode Selecter Switch to Auto BLC (See P. 26.)



8. Set the film advance mode to s mode



9. Focus on a subject (See P 27.)



10. Take the picture.



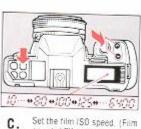
 After the end of the film has been reached. It is automatically rewound. After rewinding, is completed, unload the film (See P. 31.)

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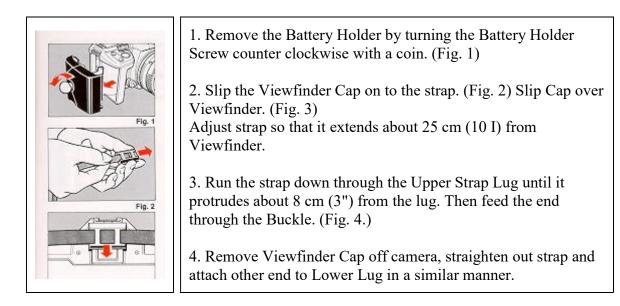


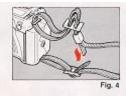
**b.** Make sure that the first frame number "1" appears on the UCD Display Panel. (See P. 19.)



C. Section film (SD speed, (Film speed of DX coded films is automatically set). (See P. 21.)

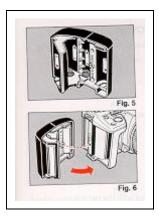
## **1. ATTACHING THE STRAP**





5. Adjust the strap length as desired.

## 2. INSERTING BATTERIES



1. Insert four fresh batteries into the Battery Holder, first checking that the + and - on each battery are lined up correctly according to the polarity diagram inside the Battery Holder. (Fig. 5)

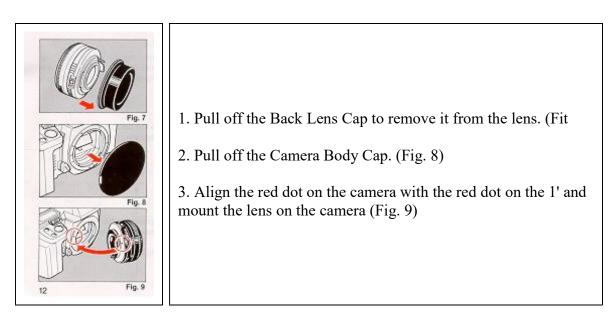
2. Secure the Battery Holder to the camera body by turning the Battery Holder Screw clockwise with a coin. (Fig. 6)

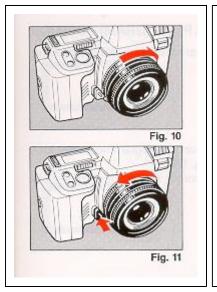
Battery Choices:

\* Four Penlight (AA/AAA) manganese batteries, alkaline batteries or nickel cadmium batteries. (We recommend Alkaline batteries.)

\* Condition of batteries should be monitored frequently. See Section 6 for details.

## **3. MOUNTING AND REMOVING THE LENS**





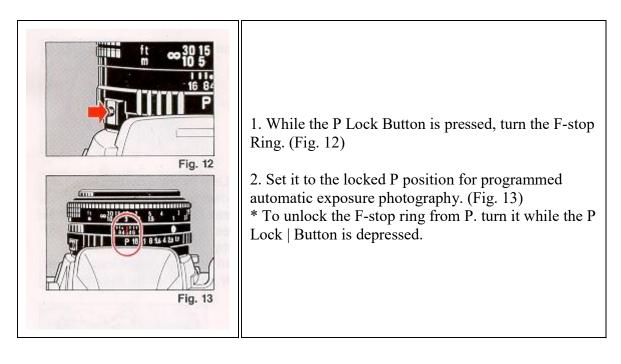
4. Turn the lens in the direction shown by the arrow until it clicks into place. (Fig. 10)

5. To remove the lens, depress Lens Release Button, then turn the lens in the direction shown by the arrow. (Fig. 11)

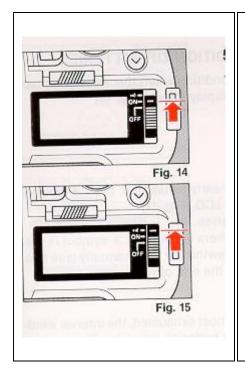
\* Conventional K mount lenses can be used in Aperture priority and Manual Modes but cannot be used for Programmed AE Photography.

\* For best results, use Ricoh original equipment lens. Proper performance of camera may not always be assured with other lenses.

## 4. SETTING LENS TO THE P (PROGRAM) POSITION



## 5. POWER ON/OFF SWITCH

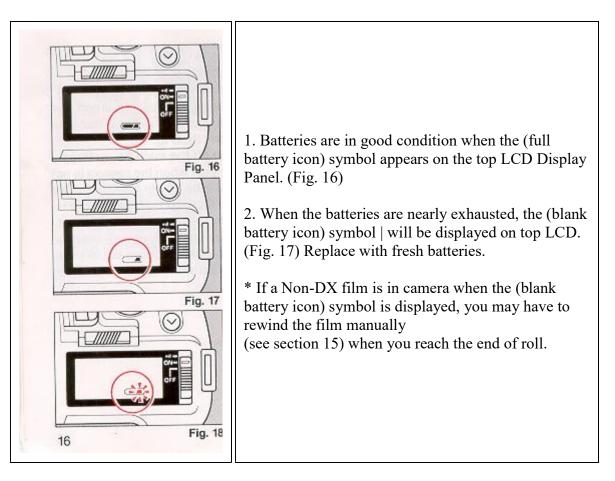


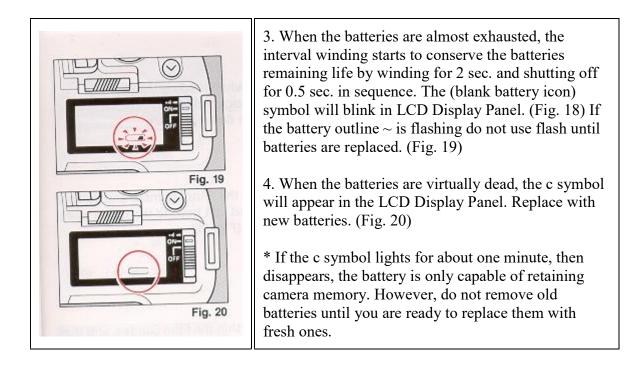
1. Slide the Power On/Off Switch to ON. (Fig. 14)

\* If you slide the Power On/Off Switch to the sound mark  $\cdot$ 1)), a beep will be heard whenever the mode is changed, the self- timer is used, etc. Then you can audibly know that your operation has been made correctly. (Fig. 15)

\* The camera is designed to shut off the main power supply automatically to save battery energy when the camera is not in use for about 30 sees. even if the Power On/Off Switch is left ON. This will turn off the top LCD Display, but the information contained in camera memory will be retained. Lightly press the Shutter Release Button to turn on the power and update the LCD Display. For maximum battery life, always turn the Power On/Off Switch to the OFF position when the camera is stored.

## 6. MONITORING CONDITION OF BATTERIES



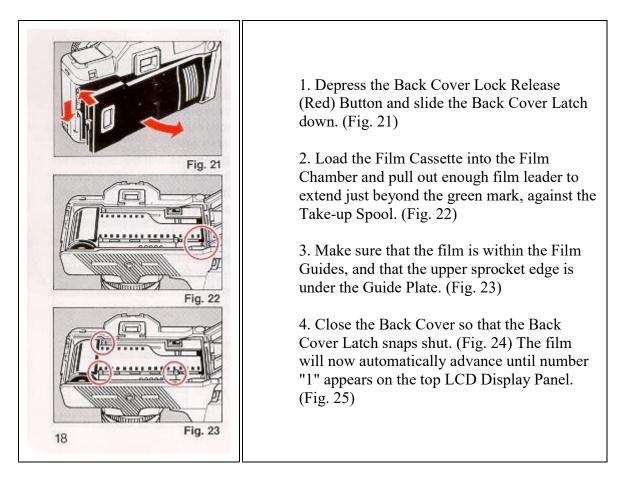


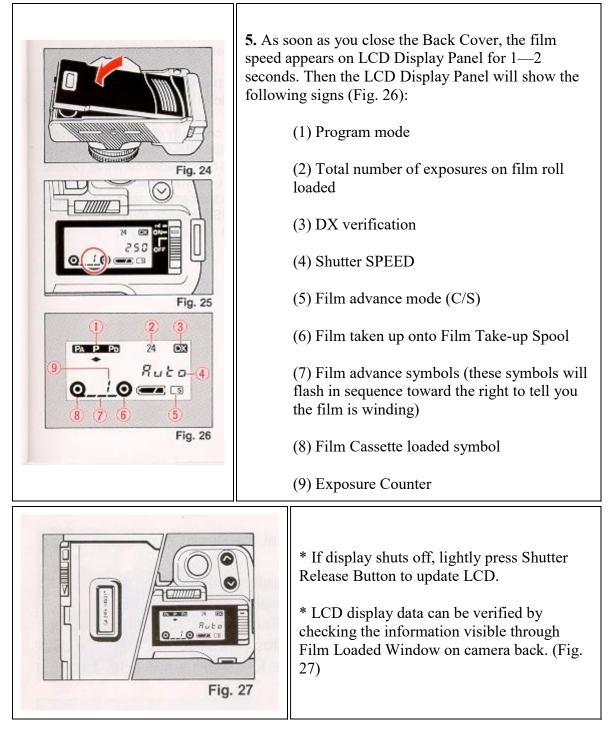
The memory of the photography mode will be retained for about 30 minutes without batteries. If you replace with new batteries within that 30 minutes, the display of the photography mode left in the camera memory will again appear in LCD Display Panel.

\* Cold temperatures will reduce battery efficiency. In freezing weather, the symbol may turn off and only the (low battery icon) symbol may show on the LCD Display Panel. If you are taking pictures in cold weather, keep the batteries warm and insert them just before shooting.

## 7. LOADING THE FILM

Always avoid direct sunlight when loading the film.

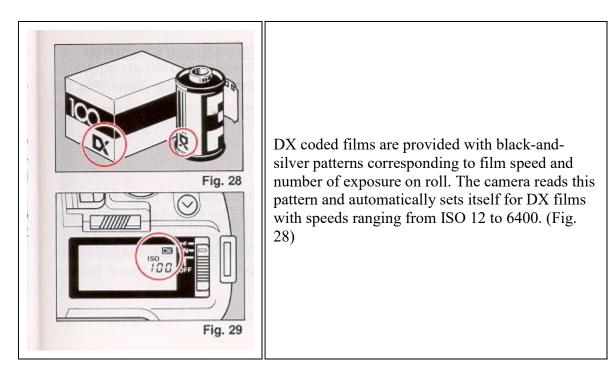




**6.** If the film has not advanced correctly or was not taken up onto the Film Take-up Spool, the Film Cassette loaded symbol will blink until the film has been loaded correctly. Reload the film by repeating steps 1 - 5 shown above.

**7.** If Non-DX films are loaded in the camera, no LCD warnings will be observed. (The film ISO speeds must also be set manually. See next section.)

## 8. SETTING THE FILM ISO SPEED

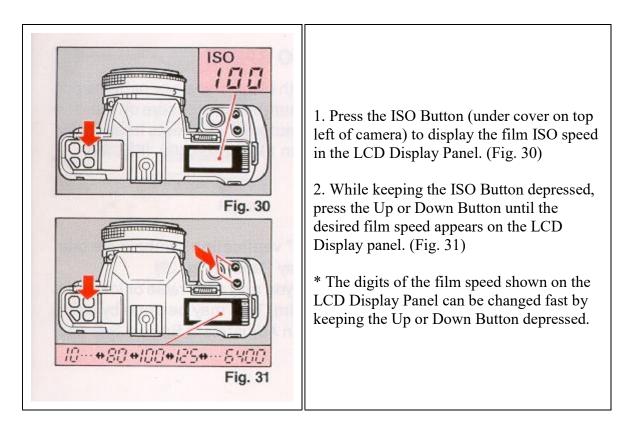


## DX films

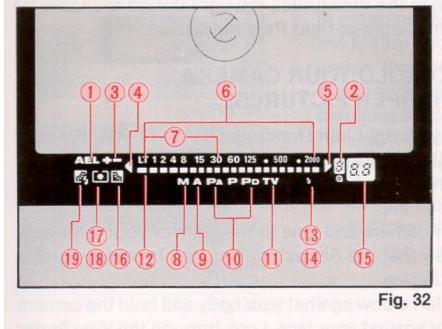
1. The film speed and the "DX" verification symbols are briefly displayed on LCD Display Panel. (Fig. 29)

\* For advanced applications, you may wish to raise or lower the ISO speed of a DX coded film. This may be done by using the Exposure Compensation Adjustment Button. See Section 27 for details.

Non DX films



## 9. INDICATION IN THE VIEWFINDER



1. Blinking AE Lock Indicator	10. Program Mode
2. Subtractive Film Counter Display (displays the last 9 frames with DX-coded films)	<ol> <li>11. TV Mode</li> <li>12. Shutter Speed Indicator</li> </ol>

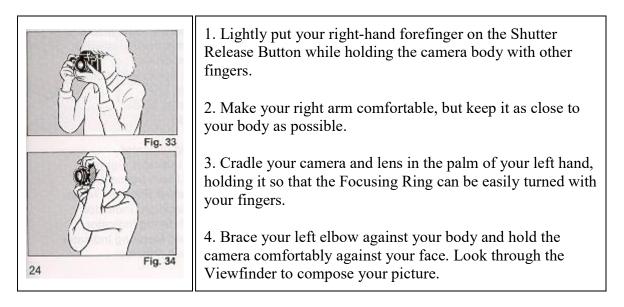
3. Blinking Exposure Compensation Indicator	13. Flash Ready Indicator (lights)	
4. Blinking Underexposure Indicator	14. Correct Auto Flash Indicator	
5. Blinking Overexposure Indicator	<ul><li>15. Aperture Readout (Program Mode)</li><li>16. (Box with image of sun on right): Auto Backlight Indicator</li></ul>	
6. Shutter Speed Scale		
7. Slow Shutter Speed Zone (orange)	17. (Box with dot in center): Spot Metering Indicator	
8. Manual Mode	18. (Box, empty): Averaged Metering	
9. Aperture Priority Mode	Indicator	
	19. (Box with sun on left side): Fill Flash Indicator	

## \* Viewfinder illumination

An auxiliary light turns on automatically when finder LCD is dark and difficult to see. If you can not easily see the LCD information in the Viewfinder, the light is also available by pressing the Depth-of-field Preview Button.

## **10. HOW TO HOLD YOUR CAMERA**

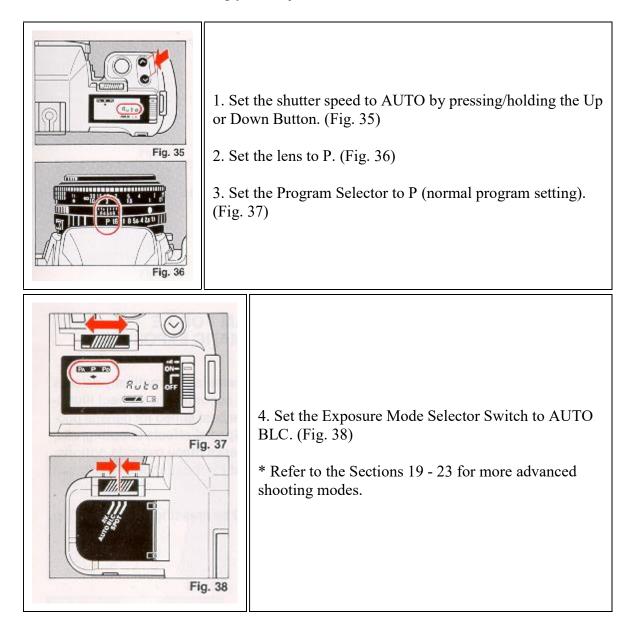
## (FOR SHARPER PICTURES)



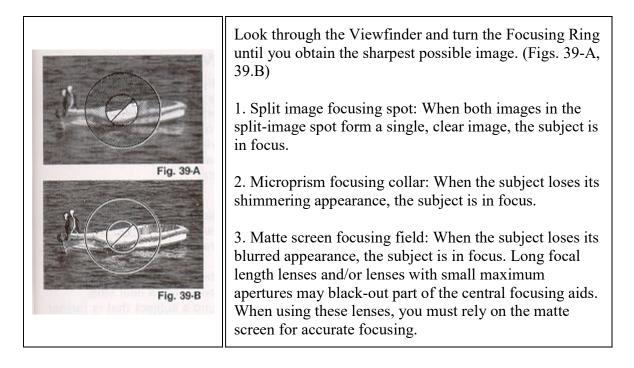
\* It is important to practice correct shooting position to avoid blurred or tilted pictures. (Figs. 33, 34)

## 11. SETTING THE PROGRAM FOR AE (PROGRAMMED AUTOMATIC EXPOSURE) PHOTOGRAPHY

In program AE photography, the camera automatically selects the F-stop and the shutter speed according to subject illumination. Programmed exposures are best suited for general photography of people and scenery. Special-effects shooting, etc., can best be done using the camera's many override options. Please keep in mind however that for most shooting you can just focus and shoot.



## **12. FOCUSING**

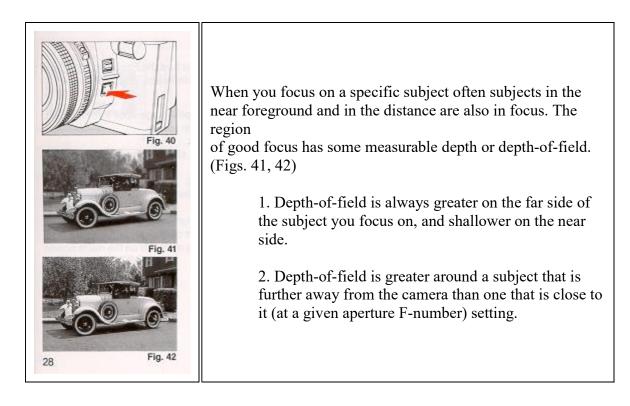


## **13. DEPTH OF FIELD PREVIEW**

In the Viewfinder you can visually observe the depth-of-field provided by the automatically or manually selected F-stop.

- 1. Manually adjust the Lens Aperture to the desired F-stop (or allow the meter to do it for you).
- 2. Press the Depth-of-field Preview Button. (Fig. 40)
- 3. Observe the results of increased sharpness on the (darkened) image in the Viewfinder.

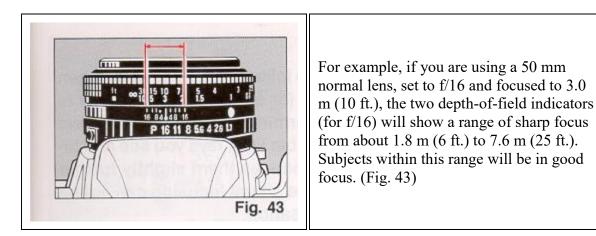
**General Guide Lines** 



## On many lenses, your depth-of-field can be checked in the following way:

- 1. Focus the lens on the subject.
  - 2. The main indicator line opposite the lens focusing scale will show the actual distance to the subject.

3. A pair (or pairs) of lines alongside the main indicator will now show the range of subject sharpness on either side of the subject that will also be in acceptable focus at one or more aperture (F-number) settings.



## **14. INFRARED MARK**

Always re-adjust your focus to the infrared focusing mark when

using infrared films and an R60 (or equivalent) filter. This is necessary because the image forming, invisible IR rays have longer wave lengths than the visible light rays you see and focus with, and the camera lens focuses

them slightly further back inside the camera. Therefore, visual focusing can not be accurate without some compensation.

1. Attach the R60 filter and visually focus on the subject. Read the indicated distance off the lens barrel. (Fig. 44)

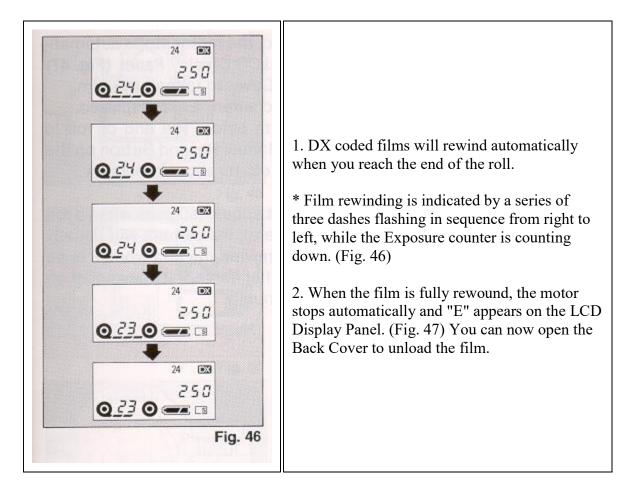
2. Shift that distance setting over to the red infrared index mark. (Fig. 45)

\* Many lenses do not provide separate IR indicator, in which case some "Bracketing" of distance settings may be necessary.

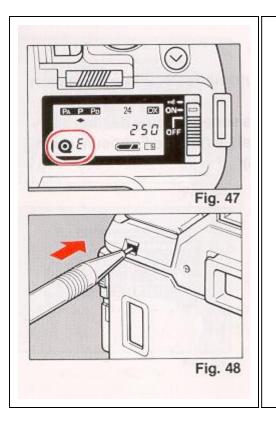
3. Set the exposure in accordance with operating instructions | for the film. I

\* Always refer to film instructions for special precautions and procedures when any infrared film is used.

## **15. REWINDING THE FILM**

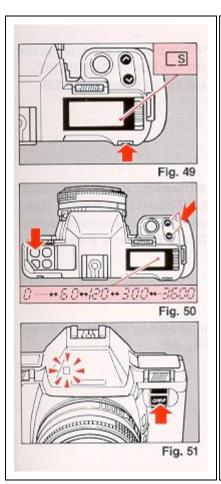


\* The Shutter Release is locked when "E" is displayed.



3. If you wish to rewind the film before the end of roll is reached, push the recessed Manual Rewind Button on the back of the camera with a pen, etc. for about 2 seconds. (Fig. 48)
\* When the DX symbol does not appear (such as when a roll of Non-DX film is in the camera), the camera will usually sense the end of the roll and rewind the film when it is no longer able to advance to another frame. If it does not, then you must rewind the film manually.

## **16. SELF TIMER PHOTOGRAPHY**



The Self-timer is used to include yourself in your pictures and normally provides a delay of 10 seconds, other times are available and may be changed as follows:

1. Switch to single exposure mode. (Fig. 49)

\* If full display information is not showing, lightly touch the Shutter Release to make the information reappear.

2. Press and hold the INT Button to display the interval time on the LCD Display Panel.

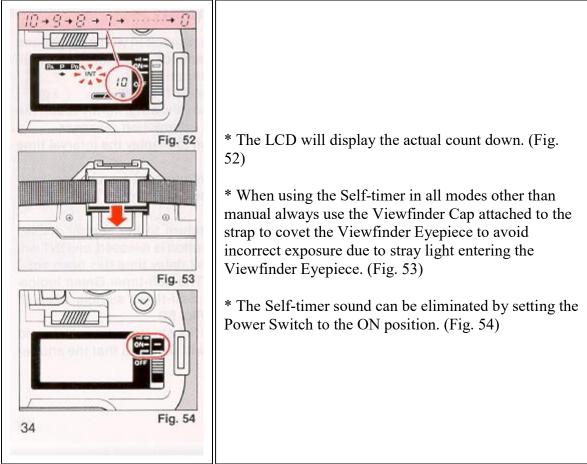
3. While keeping the INT Button depressed, press the Up or Down Button until the desired delay time is displayed on the LCD. (Fig. 50)

The LCD will automatically return to the normal display within seconds after the INT Button is released, and INT will blink to indicate that a special delay time has been set.

4. Press the Self-timer Button. The Self-timer Green Indicator lamp will blink and the Self-timer audible beep (if switched on) will be heard. (Fig. 51)

For the last 3 seconds before the shutter releases, the red lamp (and continuous beep) will warn you that the shutter will release soon.

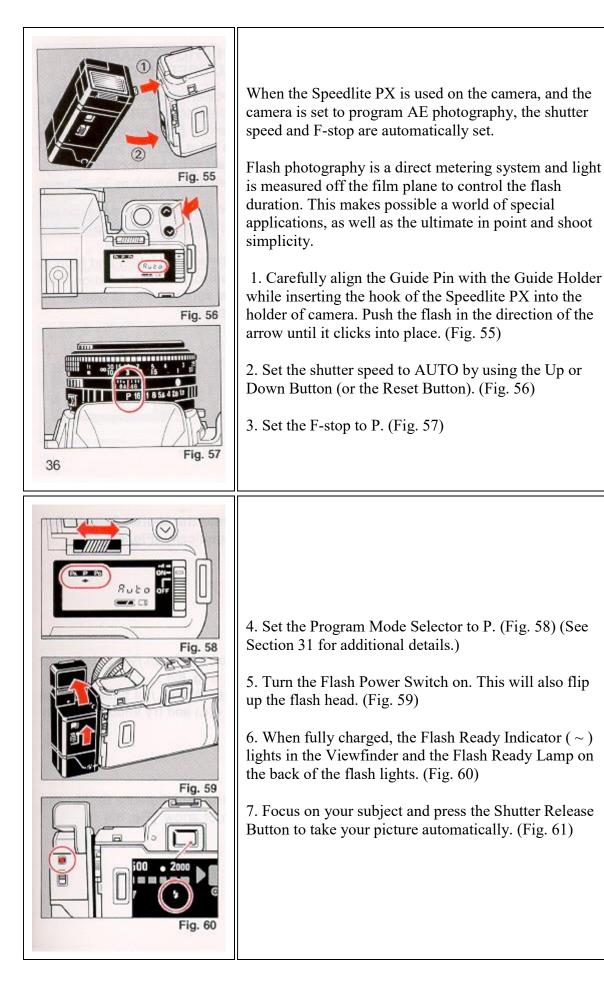
5. To cancel the Self-timer after it has been started, press the Self-timer Button again or turn the Power Switch OFF.

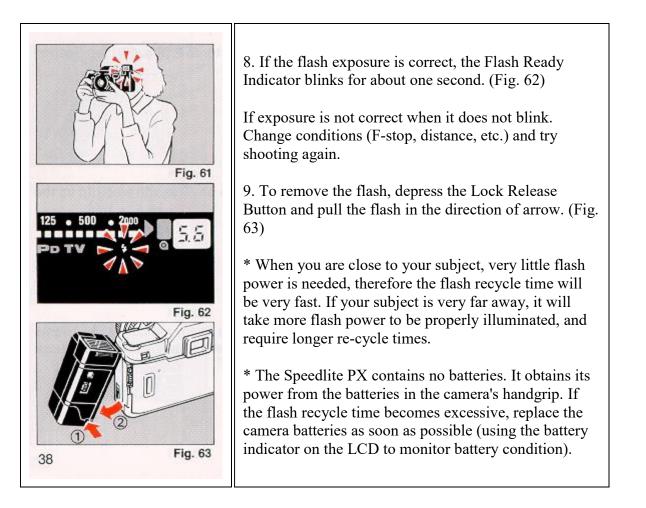


## 17. PROGRAMMED FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY (USING THE OPTIONAL SPEEDLITE PX)

The RICOH Speedlite PX is a powerful, but highly compact electronic flash that, when attached to the XR-M, become an integral part of the camera system. If provides a Guide Number of 12 m (Guide Number 40 in ft.) at ISO 100, and will cover the field of a 35mm lens, thus making it ideal for use with normal, wide-angle and compact zoom lenses such as 35—70 mm.

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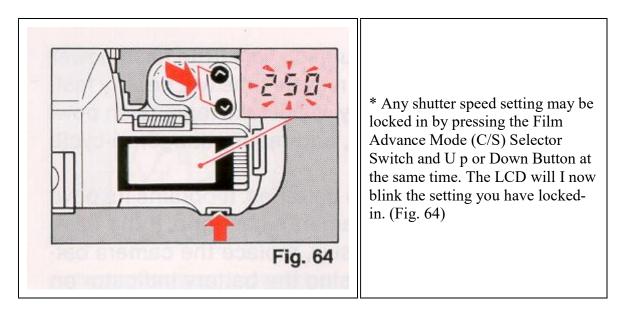


\* Do not use the Speedlite PX in combination with the Continuous Exposure Mode because the flash will be unable to recycle fast enough to make three exposures per second.

\* Refer to the PX Flash Operating Instructions for more creative techniques and technical details.

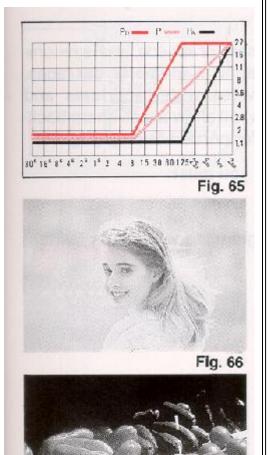
## **18. SAFETY LOCK (UP OR DOWN BUTTON)**

The camera is designed to prevent unintentional changes in shutter speed or modes by accidentally touching the Up or Down Button. In order to initiate any changes the Up or Down Button must be depressed for about one-half second.



\* To cancel the shutter lock press the Reset Button, or push the Up or Down Button while keeping the Film Advance Mode Button (C/S) depressed.

## **19. HOW TO USE THE MULTI PROGRAMS**



The camera exposure meters are designed to utilize a mult- program system. Three "customized" programs can be selected by the photographer according to taking conditions and subject. (Fig. 65)

## A. P program:

An average shutter speed and F-stop are combined. This program is recommended for general shooting. (Fig. 66)

## B. PD program:

This is used for shooting with maximum overall sharpness (increased depth-of-field), and is recommended for scenery or close-up shots. The resulting slower shutter speeds can also be useful to accentuate the feeling of motion. (Fig. 67)

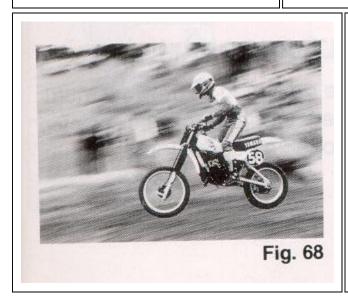


Fig. 67

C. **PA program:** This program provides higher shutter speeds, and is recommended for fast moving subjects, as in sports, car races, etc. This program also provides wider apertures and decreased depth-offield. This will allow a less sharp background and is ideally suited for portrait taking. (Fig. 68)

To utilize any of these programs you must: Set the lens to P. Set the shutter to AUTO. Select the program with the Program Mode Selector Switch.

## 20. APERTURE-PRIORITY AE (AUTO EXPOSURE) PHOTOGRAPHY

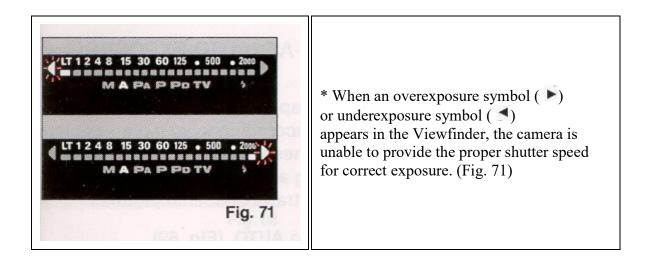
In aperture-priority AE photography, the camera automatically sets correct shutter speeds according to your preselected F-stop number and the brightness of your subjects. This is suitable for photography taking advantage of specific depth-of-field requirements as in portraits or scenic pictures.

1. Set the shutter speed dial to AUTO. (Fig. 69)

2. Turn the F-stop Ring to set the desired F-stop number.

\* When the Shutter Speed Indicator is in the yellow range, the shutter speed is too slow to handhold. (Fig. 70)

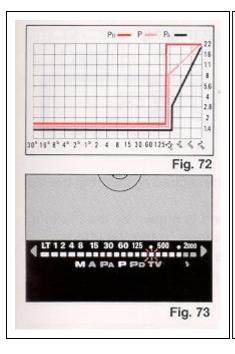
Either select a new F-stop or mount the camera on a tripod or other suitable support.



Adjust the F-stop Ring (to change the F-stop number) until you are able to obtain an acceptable exposure within the available shutter speed range and extinguish the over/underexposure symbol.

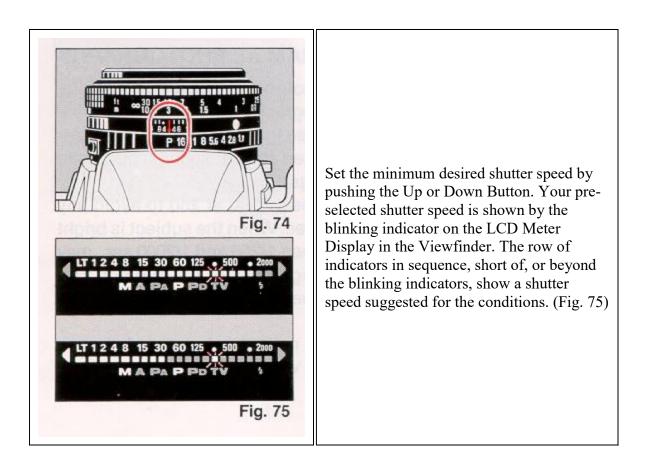
## 21. SHUTTER BIAS PROGRAM AE PHOTOGRAPHY

The shutter bias program AE photography is actually a combination of the program AE photography and shutter speed priority AE photography. (Fig. 72) Use this mode to avoid shutter speeds lower than the pre-selected shutter speed. This is particularly useful in sports photography.



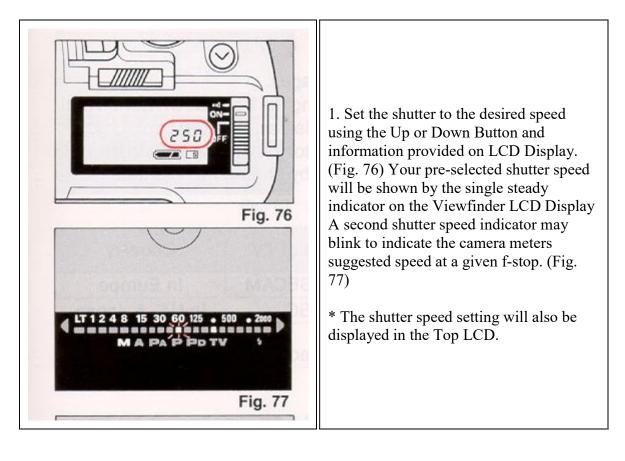
For example, set the Shutter Speed Dial at 250 to avoid any shutter speed slower than 1/250 sec. When the subject is bright enough, any shutter speed between 1/250 and 1/2000 sec. may be selected according to the brightness of the subject. You will see the selected shutter speed as well as F-stop number in the Viewfinder. (Fig. 73)

If the brightness of the subject is not enough even at full open aperture, a slower shutter speed will be automatically selected to obtain correct exposure.



## **22. FULLY MANUAL PHOTOGRAPHY**

You may manually select the shutter and the F-stop number for unusual or creative picture taking situations.



LT 1 2 4 8 15 30 60 125 • 500 • 200 MAPA POV *	2. Turn the F-stop Ring until your shutter speed indicator and the camera meter's blinking indicator (showing suggested exposure) overlap each other. (Fig. 78)

## This confirms that correct exposure is set.

3. Manually adjust the shutter speed to move the setting indicator towards the blinking indicator. (Fig. 78)

## 23. TV MODE

## Use this mode to record TV images.

Fig. 80	<ol> <li>Select the TV mode by pressing the Up or Down Button until TV appears on either LCD Display. (Fig. 79)</li> <li>Set the Program Mode Indicator (on the Top LCD) to the type of TV system you are using by sliding the Program Mode Selector Switch. (Fig. 80)</li> </ol>

Shutter Speed	Program Selec	ctor	System of TV	Country	
	PAL		PAL or SECAM	in Europe	
TV	NTSC		NTSC	In U.S. & Japan	
	CRT		Still TV images (Used for computers, etc.)		
48	6 * 1 # 1514 80 Fig. 81	3. Turn the F-stop Ring to P (Fig. 81)			
- 4 17 1 2 4 8 15 30 80 R	Fig. 82		ndicators for TV m o shown on the Vie		

\* In order to achieve correct exposure, compose TV images to fill the frame.

\* Use of a tripod is absolutely necessary for all TV modes, because the shutter speeds are very slow. Use of a Ricoh electronic cable release is recommended to prevent unintentional camera movement.

Compensation filters are available to remove the strong blue cast in TV images.

\* Do not use any electronic flash when taking pictures off your TV the camera will not fire dedicated flash units in the TV mode).

## 24. EXPOSURE METERING SYSTEMS

The camera is designed with 3 types of exposure metering systems: center-weighted average, spot and automatic backlight control. Each system can be easily chosen by the Exposure Mode Selector Switch according to taking conditions, subjects, and experience.

## 1. Center-weighted average exposure metering system

	Lighting situations vary and the camera provides you with the means to master them. Under normal conditions, center weighted average metering is most applicable and determines an ideal balance between subject and background lighting. (Fig. 83) * This is a convenient metering system for general photography under normal shooting conditions. It measures the viewing area, emphasizing the center portion where the subject is likely to be, with diminishing sensitivity toward the edges.
Fig. 84	<ul> <li>2. Spot metering system</li> <li>This is especially advantageous for photomicrography, photography of subjects on stage, etc. It measures the central spot (about 4%) if the total image area, as defined by the edges of the central microprism area for subjects which require selective measurement. (Fig. 84)</li> </ul>
ABLC	3. Automatic backlight control system This is particularly effective when a subject is surrounded by an especially light or dark background. This adjusts the average reading to obtain proper exposure for the main subject.

Automatic backlight control (ABLC) is especially recommended for the beginning to intermediate photographer. It uses both the spot and average meters together to determine an ideal exposure.
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## Here's how it works (for the technically inclined):

1. First it makes and compares two separate readings for the overall average light level and the central spot area.

2. If they are both similar, the average reading is used.

3. If the center is 2—3 stops darker than the overall average, the exposure will be increased by 1-2 stops above the average setting.

4. As the difference approaches 5 stops, the adjustment actually decreases in an effort to preserve the visual effect.

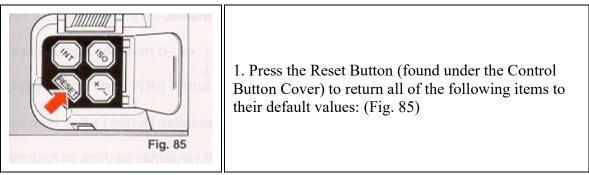
5. If the metering systems, on the other hand, find the center (spot) brighter than the surroundings (average area), the exposure will be decreased progressively, so that the background can go black, while preserving detail in the center (e.g. spot lit) area

\* The effect of this programmed ABLC system is most pronounced at bright light levels.

\* At medium light levels, the amount of correction is reduced somewhat, while at very low light levels there will be no correction at all.

## **25. RESET BUTTON**

This button is used to reset the shutter speed, interval time, film advance mode or exposure compensation back to a default value. First, lightly press the Shutter Release Button to update the LCD with your currently entered information. Now you may reset one, or single values as follows:



- Shutter speed to AUTO from any manually set time, bulb, or a TV mode.
- Interval Timer to 10 seconds from any manually entered time (0 to 3600 sec.).

\* This changes (to 10 sec.) will occur whether the INT Indicator is blinking or not, and from any operating mode, i.e. Self-timer, Interval Timer, or Long Exposure (Bulb) Timer.

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- Film advance mode to continuous - If presently set for single frame shooting.

- Exposure compensation to +/-0 from any manually entered value (O to +/-4 EV).

2. Press the Interval Timer Button (INT), then immediately press reset. 3. Press the Exposure Compensation Button (+/-), then immediately press reset.

## \* Reprogramming any default value may be done as follows:

a. Press and hold Reset Button. Then, ...

b. Use Up or Down Button to select manual shutter speed, TV, etc.

c. Also press and hold INT or + /- Button and use Up or Down Button to enter new time or exposure adjustment.

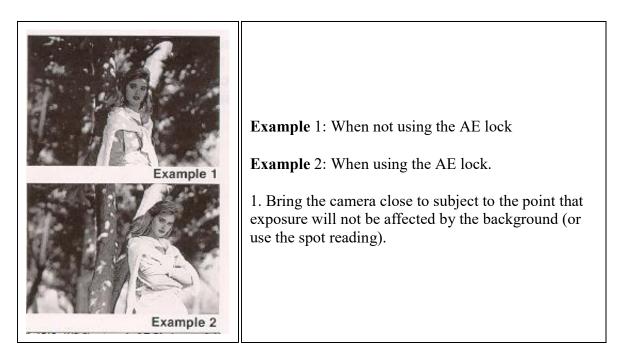
d. Press C/S Button to select most used Film Advance Mode.

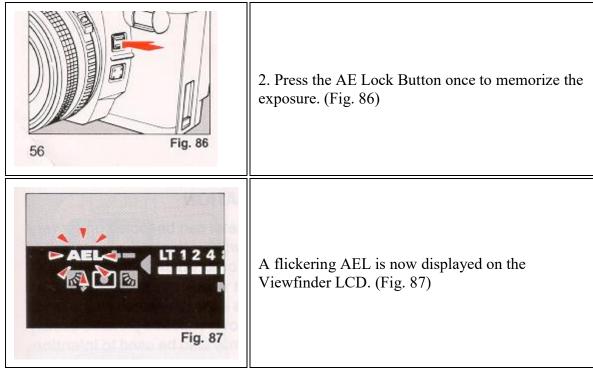
e. Release Reset Button to enter new default setting.

# \* Double, and Multiple Exposures my be made with the XR-M by pressing and holding both the ISO and + / - Buttons at the same time. This disconnects the film transport system. Now, the shutter may be released one or more times without advancing the film.

## 26. AE LOCK

When back light or spot light is given to the subject being metered in AE photography and contrast is excessive between the background and the subject, under or over exposed pictures may result. Use the AE lock to remember, or lock into the camera's electronic memory a close-up reading of the subject.





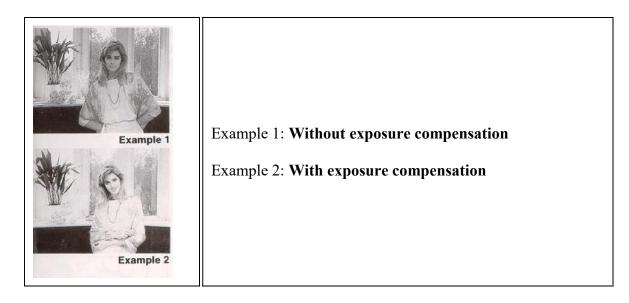
3. AE lock is automatically cancelled after the Shutter Release Button is pressed for the exposure.

\* To cancel AE lock without taking a picture press AE Button a second time.

\* For a continuous exposure series under similar conditions all requiring the use of AE lock, you may wish to adjust your exposure using the exposure compensation feature instead.

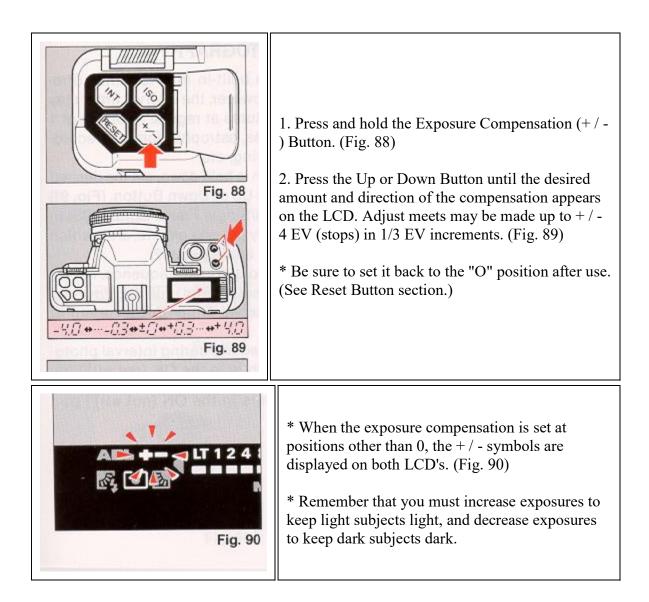
## **27. EXPOSURE COMPENSATION**

Any camera's center-weighted meter can be fooled under very extreme lighting conditions, or when attempting to read very light (e. 9. snow or beach scenes) or very dark (night scene) subjects. Also, when back or spot lit subjects are being metered in AE photography and contrast is excessive between the background and the subject, under or overexposed pictures usually result. Exposure compensation may also be used to intentionally take over/underexposed pictures for creative effects, and to adjust ISO speeds away from DX values.



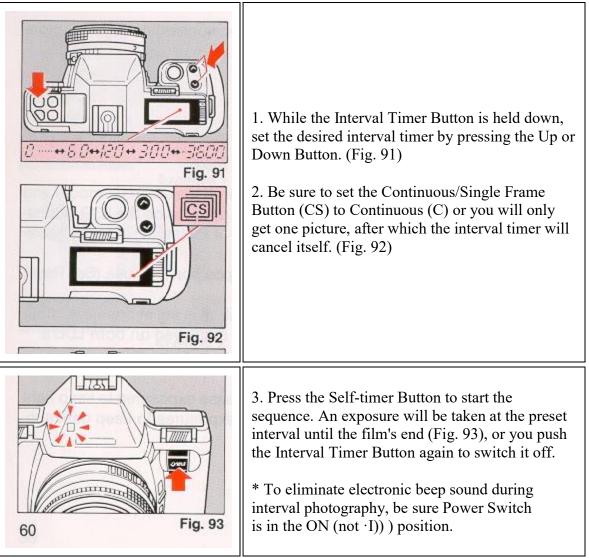
## **Exposure adjustment examples:**

SUBJECT	EXPOSURE ADJUSTMENT
Figures in back light Scenery with much sky	+4 to +1
Figures with snow mountains or sea on the background	+ 1
Figures in spot light (on stage etc.)	- 4 to - 1



## **28. INTERVAL TIMER PHOTOGRAPHY**

The camera is equipped with a built-in interval timer. (Pre-programmed for 10 sec. delay) However, the interval timer may be set to automatically take pictures at regular intervals of 1 sec. to 1 hr. for time lapse studies, astrophotography, recording of wild animals, plants growing, etc.

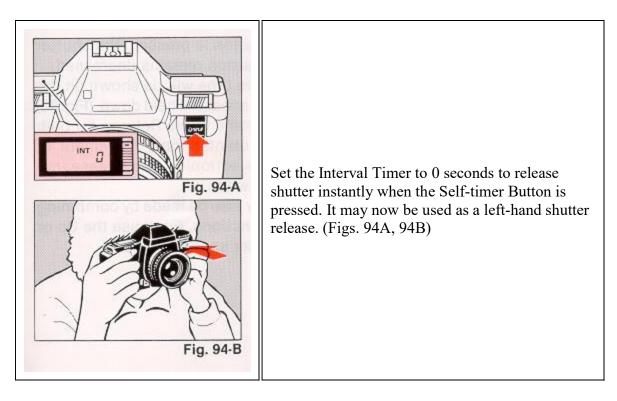


4. The sequence may be temporarily interrupted, or cancelled completely, by pushing the Self timer Button once. (The Top LCD will return to its normal display mode with the INT Indicator blinking.) Pressing the Self-timer Button a second time will restart the sequence from the beginning.

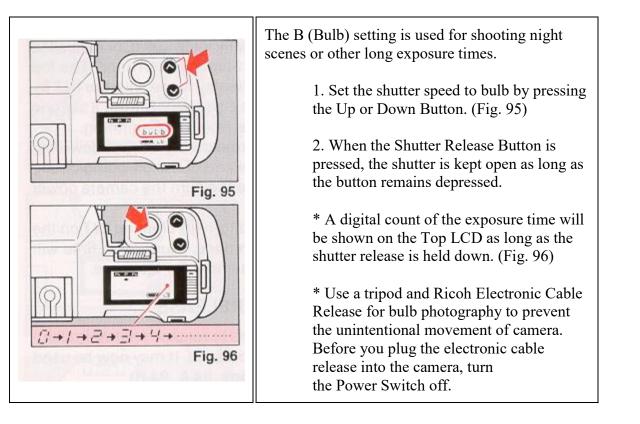
\* Pressing the Interval Timer Button during a count-down will cancel the function - after the end of the on-going count. To immediately stop the sequence, turn the camera power switch off.

5. To clear the interval mode (and turn off blinking INT on the LCD) press the Interval Button once, your preset time will remain in the interval timer memory for later use.

## **29. LEFT HAND SHUTTER RELEASE**



## **30. B (BULB) SETTING**



3. Very long timed exposure may also be made by combining the bulb and interval timer functions. First, use the Up or Down Button to set the shutter speed to bulb.

4. Press and hold the **INT** Button; then use the Up or Down Button to set the desired length of your exposure time (up to 3600 sec.). A few seconds after the time has been entered the LCD will change back to bulb and the **INT** Indicator will be blinking.

5. Press the Self-timer Button or use the Ricoh electronic cable release, to begin the exposure. The display will now change to a count-down timer for the duration of the time entered, then the shutter will close.

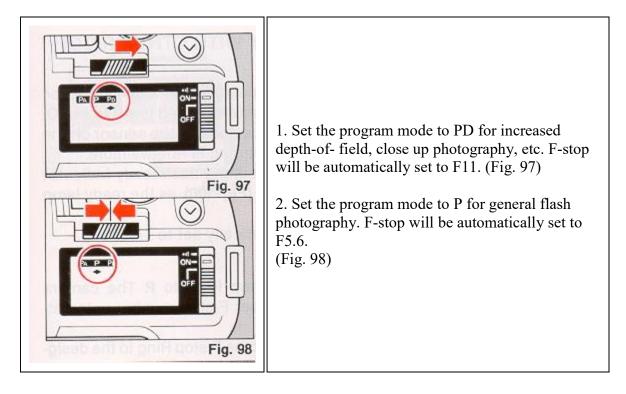
\* A long exposure may be terminated anytime during the exposure by pushing the camera power switch to OFF.

## **31. MORE EXCITING APPLICATIONS FOR THE CAMERA** WITH SPEEDLITE PX/300P/260P (APERTURE-PRIORITY FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY)

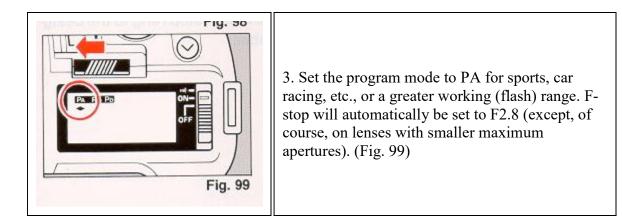
When you add any of the above Ricoh dedicated flash systems, direct film metering is possible at all F-stops for total distance and creative depth -of-field control. For example, manually use F2 or F2.8 to take a distant subject or to reduce flash recycle time; or use F11 or F16 to increase your depth-of-field or work very close to your subject.

\* Check the Viewfinder and flash indicator (300P/260P only) to verify that the flash exposed properly or while shooting. If the flash shot was made with correct exposure, the Viewfinder flash ready indicator blinks for about one second. **When it does not blink, exposure is not correct**. Change conditions (F- stop, distance, etc.) and try again.

## \* You can also change program modes to suit the subject of your photograph.



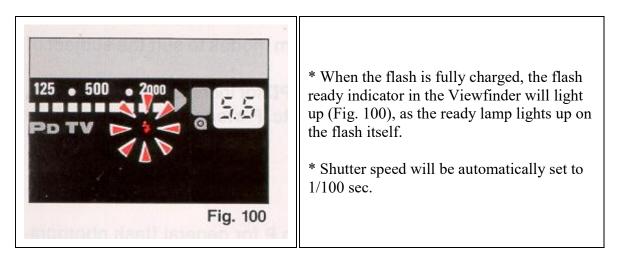
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\* When the Speedlite 260P is used alone, the flash program mode is automatically set to P (even when you set the program mode to PD or PA). The flash ready indicator does not hi ink and the camera beep will not be heard even if the flash shot is made with correct exposure.

## **32. FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY WITH OTHER RICOH FLASH UNITS**

Ricoh flash units such as the Speedlite 200 and 400 can be used with the camera when the shutter speed is set to AUTO. However, auto flash control will be done by the sensor on the flash unit. Direct off-the-film metering is not available.



## Setting F-stop Ring of the lens

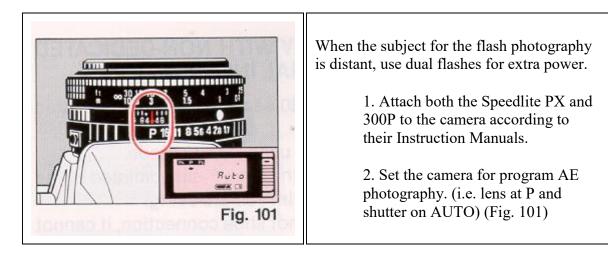
With Speedlite 200: Set the F-stop Ring to R The camera selects proper F-stop number automatically.

With Speedlite 400: Manually set the F-stop Ring to the designated number.

\* You may set shutter speed and F-stop manually but the shutter speed must be slower than 1/100 sec. If you select shutter speeds faster than 1/100 sec. while using these Ricoh flash systems the shutter speed will be automatically reset to 1/100 sec.

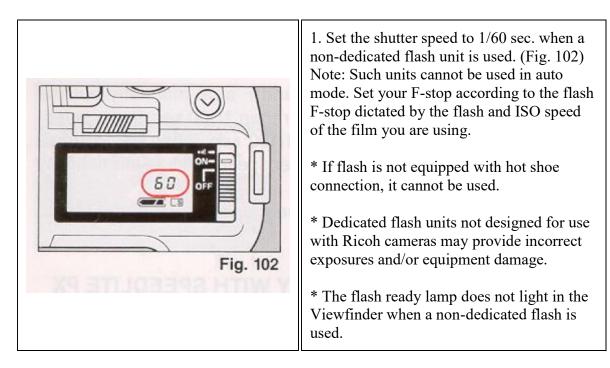
\* Refer to Operating Instructions for each flash unit for additional details.

## **33. FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY WITH SPEEDLITE PX PLUS 300P**



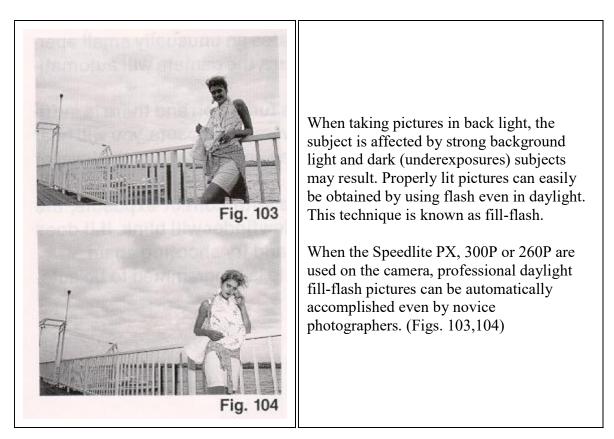
- 3. Turn both flashes power switches on.
- 4. When both flashes are fully charged, the flash ready indicator blinks slowly.
- 5. Focus on the subject and press the Shutter Release Button.

## **34. FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY WITH NON-DEDICATED FLASH UNITS (GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS)**



\* Refer to Operating Instructions for individual flash units for further specific details.

## **35. FLASH IN DAYLIGHT**

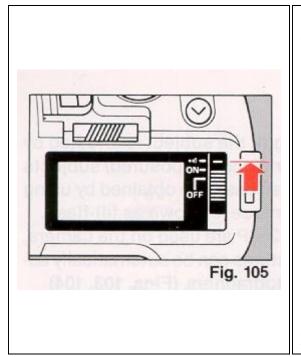


## With Speedlite PX:

- 1. Attach the flash unit on the camera
- 2. Set the camera to the program AE mode.
- 3. Turn the flash power switch on.

\* When turning the flash power switch on in daylight, the Fill Flash Indicator (box with sun on left and lighting bolt), appears in the Viewfinder.

4. When fully charged, the flash ready indicator lights up on the back of the flash and in the Viewfinder. The shutter speed is set automatically to 1/100 sec. The F-stop will also be displayed. You can now shoot well exposed pictures, providing that you do not see an overexposure ( $\triangleright$ ) mark.



\* If the ambient light level dictates an unusually small aperture for correct over all exposure, the camera will automatically select and set it.

\* If the camera's audio signal is turned on and there is sufficient ambient light for good average exposure, you will hear a beep each time the flash fires, irregardless of the level of fill-flash provided. (Fig. 105)

\* When the flash shot is made with correct exposure, the flash ready indicator in the Viewfinder will blink. If it does not blink, change conditions and try shooting again.

\* The ambient/fill-flash light ratio is programmed to be automatically set to 1:4.

## With Speedlite 300P:

- 1. Attach the flash unit onto the camera and turn its power switch on.
- Set the flash A/M (Auto/Manual) Selector to A.
- 2. Follow steps 2 4 (as shown above).

\* When the flash shot is made with correct exposure, the flash ready indicator in the Viewfinder will blink. If it does not blink, change conditions and try again.

\* The ambient/fill-flash light ratio is programmed to be automatically set to 1:2.

\* The shutter speed (normally set to Auto) can be changed to any manual shutter speed (1/100 sec. or slower), to give correct exposure to the background in a room or other dark place.

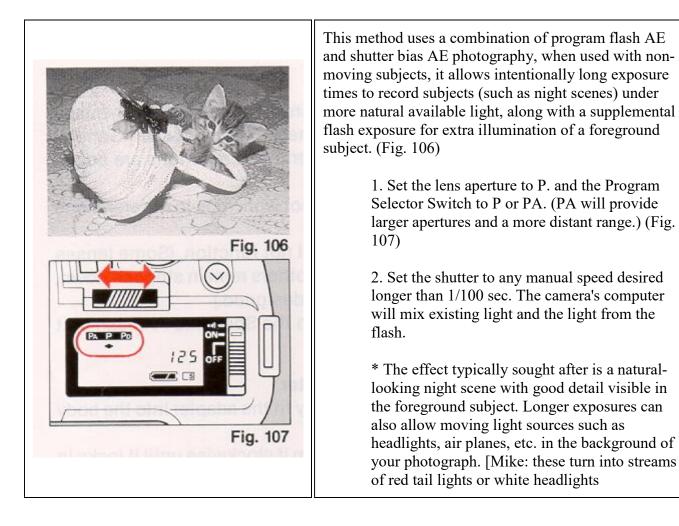
## With Speedllte 260P, 240 and 200

- 1. Attach the flash unit onto the camera.
- 2. Set the shutter speed to AUTO and set the F-stop to R
- 3. Turn the flash power switch on.
- 4. When fully charged, the flash ready light turns on.

\* Remember that the aperture you select must not overexpose the film with ambient light when the shutter speed is set to 1/100 sec. or longer. In bright sunlight this may be avoided by using slower (ISO 100) films.

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## **36. SHUTTER BIAS FLASH AE**



## **37. P MOUNT ADAPTER**

Conventional P-mount lenses (thread mount lens) can be used on the camera by using an optional P-mount adapter. General photography is available but operating conditions are some what limited.

A. Programmed exposures can not work (due to different lens coupling systems).

B. Any automatic diaphragm will not function. (Some lenses may remain wide open, while others remain stopped down, depending on how they were designed.)

C. Automatic F-stop setting with the Speedlite PX flash unit will not occur.

## Inserting and removing the adapter

1. Align the red dots and carefully fit the adapter into the body mount.

2. Use a ball-point pen, etc. to turn it clockwise until it locks in place.

3. To remove the adapter use a ball-point pen, etc. to press the spring inwards and turn the P-mount adapter counter clockwise to the limit. Lift it out carefully.

\* Some thread mount lenses cannot be mounted on the camera. Testing the fit of any lens you purchase for this camera is strongly recommended.

## **38. DIOPTRIC LENSES**

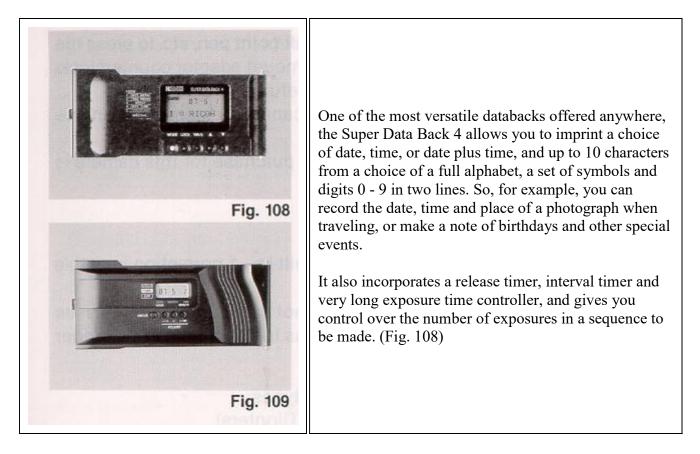
The viewfinder eyepiece has a built-in -1 correction (suitable for most normal vision).

If a dioptric lens is fitted, you do not have to wear eye-glasses when taking pictures. Slip the lens in the groove in the finder eyepiece.

Dioptric lenses are available in 7 types: -4, -3, -2, -1, +1, +2 and +3 (Diopters)

Note: Some forms of astigmatism etc. may make dioptric eyepiece correction impossible. Please check with your vision specialist for a recommendation based on your prescription.

## **39. SUPER DATA BACK 4**

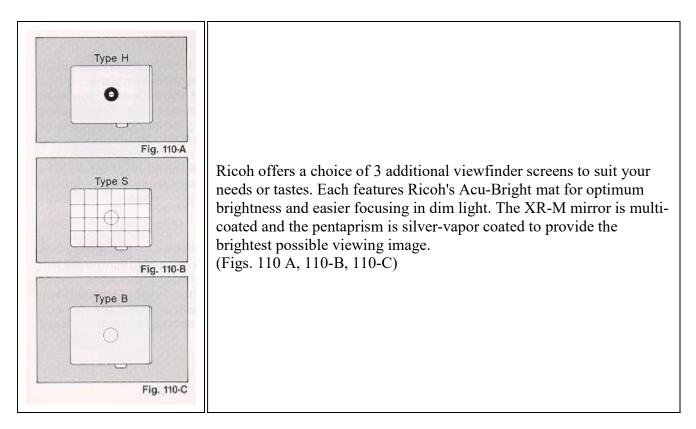


## 40. DATA BACK 3

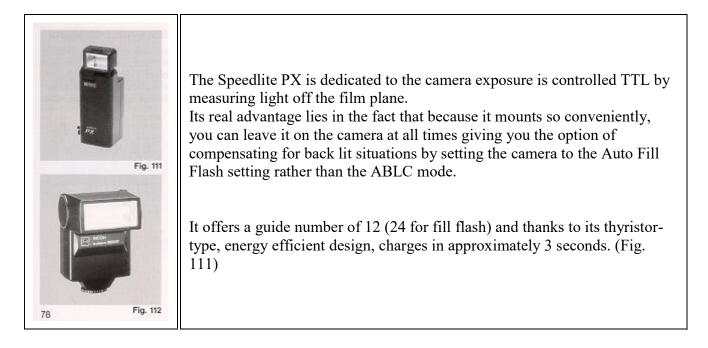
When the Back Cover of the camera is replaced by the Data Back 3, "year, month and date", or "hour, minute" can be printed on your film.

The automatic dating mechanism is incorporated into the Data Back 3. Once the date is set, no adjustment is necessary until 2019, because leap years and months with 31 or less days are automatically adjusted. When the switch is turned OFF, it can be used as digital watch. (Fig 109)

## 41. INTERCHANGEABLE VIEWFINDER SCREENS



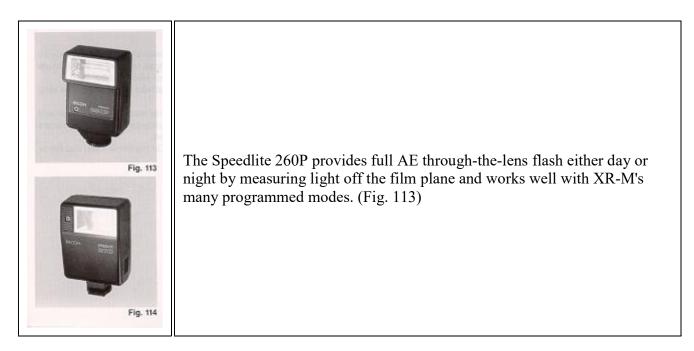
## **42. SPEEDLITE PX**



## 43. XR SPEEDLITE 300P

The XR Speedlite 300P unit provides full AE through-the-lens flash and simple daylight flash by measuring light off the film plane and simple pro-fill daylight flash photography. Lots of modes - Program Flash AE, Aperture Priority Flash AE, Shutter Bias Flash AE, Manual Flash and Program Daylight Synchronization - open up exciting creative possibilities and assure great results. (Fig. 112)

## 44. SPEEDLITE 260P



## 45. SPEEDLITE 200

Flash a smile with the compact, lightweight Speedlight 200. Just slip it on the camera hot shoe. When fully charged, the flash-ready LED is visible in the viewfinder and the shutter speed is automatically set to 1/100 sec. for perfect exposures from 0.8—3.6m (2.15—11.8 ft). This easy-to-use strobe quickly recycles in 8 seconds and provides about 130 flashes on alkaline batteries. (Fig. 114)

## **46. CARE OF BATTERIES**

1. Before installing, be sure to clean all moisture and skin oil off both battery contact surfaces in order to avoid future problems of corrosion and poor electrical contact.

2. Remove batteries when the camera is not used for a long period of time.

\* Removal of the battery case may result in a loss of camera memory. The film may also advance two or three frames when the batteries are replaced.

\* Dispose of batteries properly. Do not throw them into fire or expose to high temperature.

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## 47. PROPER CARE OF YOUR CAMERA

1. Do not touch lens or mirror surfaces with your fingers to clean them. Blow dust away with a blower or wipe gently with soft cloth. If you must clean the lens surface use only 1 drop of lens cleaning fluid on a camera lens tissue.

2. Excessive shock and humidity, or salt may make any camera malfunction. When you use the camera at the beach, in a corrosive atmosphere, or in a place where chemicals are used, carefully wipe it clean.

3. Do not expose camera and film to temperature extremes.

4. Do not leave your camera in a car at the beach, in the desert, or in other high temperature conditions to prevent possible damage.

5. When using a tripod, do not try to force a long screw into the socket. (The screw length should not extend more than 5.7 mm (1/4 ")

6. Do not store the camera near a television, radio or other strong magnetic source.

7. Store camera in a humidity and dust free place.

## **48. MAJOR SPECIFICATIONS**

Type: 35mm SLR with focal plane shutter and automatic electronic exposure control

**Photographic Modes:** Multi-program automatic exposure mode, aperture-priority automatic exposure mode, shutter bias automatic exposure mode, TV mode, TTL auto flash mode and manual mode

Film Format: 35mm film, 24 x 36mm

Lens Mount: Ricoh system R-K mount

Shutter: Electrically controlled, vertically moving focal plane shutter
Automatic: 30 sec. to 1/2000 sec.
Manual: 16 sec. to 1/2000 sec.
TV
B - selectable operating time from 1 sec. to one hour

Self Timer: Operating time:

1.10 seconds

- 2. 0 seconds shutter release with left hand
- 3. Selectable from 1 sec. to one hour with blinking LED and audible signal

Interval Timer: Photography at regular intervals. Selectable interval time from 1 sec.. to one hour

Viewfinder: Field of view covers 91% horizontally and vertically

Magnification: 0.80X (with 50mm F1.4 standard lens)

Viewfinder Display: AE lock, exposure compensation, fill flash mode, auto back light control mode, spot metering mode, average metering mode, underexposure mark, shutter speed indicator, long time exposure, manual, aperture-priority, P mode, TV mode, overexposure mark, remaining frame, programmed f-stop number, flash ready indicator and correct auto flash indicator

Focusing: Diagonal split-image spot in microprism band

Focusing Screen: Interchangeable screens are available optionally

Exposure Metering System: Three selectable TTL full open metering systems

- 1. Center-weighted average metering
- 2. Auto backlight control metering
- 3. Spot area metering

Exposure Coupling Range: EV 0 -18 (with ISO 100 film, 50mm F1.4 standard lens)

Flash Terminal: X synchro contact on the hot shoe, and synchro socket for Speedlite PX

Flash Modes: Full AE TTL metering with Speedlite 300P, 260P and PX

1. Program flash AE

- 2. Aperture-priority flash AE
- 3. Shutter bias flash AE (except 260P)
- 4. Program fill flash AE (except 260P)
- 5. Multiple flash AE And
- 6. Manual Flash

Exposure Compensation : Exposure adjustment system (+ 4 to - 4 in 1/3 increments)

Film Loading: Ricoh Auto-Load system. Automatic 1st frame setting

Film Advance: Automatic with a built-in motor. Two selectable modes; S (single) and C (continuous approx. 3 fps)

Film Rewind: Automatic reverse at the end of film. Manual rewind is possible

Program Preview Button: Electronic program preview button is provided

Remote Control: Remote control socket is provided

**Back Cover: Removable** 

LCD Display: P mode, P mode indicator, TV mode, film loaded, film advance, film taken up onto film take-up spool, exposure counter, film reverse, film reverse completion, exposure compensation mark, interval mode, ISO, number of exposures of film (when DX film is used), DX, shutter speed, film speed, selected exposure compensation, selected time (self-timer, bulb, interval), film advance mode (S/C), battery indication (good, alarm, low and low for flash)

Power Source: Four AA batteries. AAA battery holder (4 x AAA batteries) is available optionally

Dimensions: 151 (W) x 91 (H) x 51 (D) mm (5.9" x 3.6" x 2.0") (with AA battery holder)

Weight: 510g (18.0 oz) (body only with AA battery holder

\* Specifications and appearance of this camera are subject to change without notice