

Thank you for purchasing the Nikon COOLPIX L30 digital camera. Before using the camera, please thoroughly read "Confirming the Package Contents" and "For Your Safety" on the reverse side for correct use of the camera. After reading, please keep this manual handy and refer to it to enhance your enjoyment of your new camera.

The User's Manual introduces the procedures necessary in using this camera for the first time. For more detailed information, please download the "Reference Manual" from the following URL:

<http://nikonimlib.com/manual/>

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

#### About This Manual

- SD, SDHC, and SDXC memory cards are referred to as "memory cards" in this manual.
- In this manual, images are sometimes omitted from monitor display samples so that monitor indicators can be more clearly shown.
- Illustrations and monitor content shown in this manual may differ from the actual product.

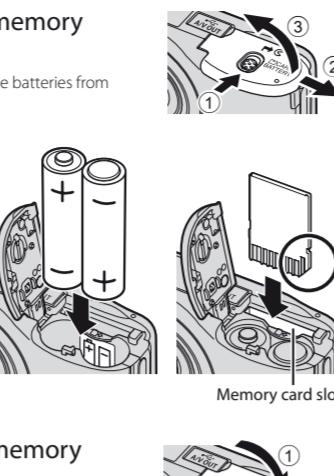
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## Preparing for Shooting

### Insert the Batteries and Memory Card

- Open the battery-chamber/memory card slot cover.  
• Hold the camera upside down to prevent the batteries from falling out.
- Insert the batteries and memory card.  
• Confirm that the positive (+) and negative (-) battery terminals are oriented correctly and insert the batteries.  
• Confirm the correct orientation and slide the memory card in until it clicks into place.
- Close the battery-chamber/memory card slot cover.



### Applicable Batteries

- Two LR6/14 (AA-size) alkaline batteries (included batteries)
- Two FR6/L91 (AA-size) lithium batteries
- Two EN-MH2 rechargeable NI-MH (nickel metal hydride) batteries

### Removing the Memory Card

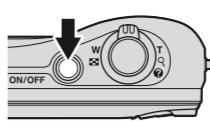
Turn the camera off and make sure that the power-on lamp and the monitor have turned off, and then open the battery-chamber/memory card slot cover.  
• Gently push the memory card into the camera (①) to partially eject the card (②).  
• The camera, batteries, and memory card may be hot immediately after using the camera.



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

- Press the power switch to turn on the camera.

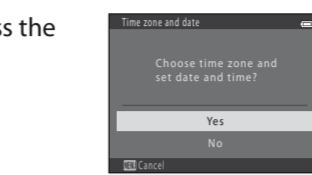
- The monitor turns on when the camera is turned on.
- To turn the camera off, press the power switch again.



- Use the multi selector  $\Delta\downarrow$  to select the desired language and press the  $\text{OK}$  button.



- Use  $\Delta\downarrow$  to select **Yes** and press the  $\text{OK}$  button.

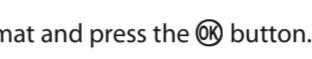


- Use  $\Delta\downarrow$  to select your home time zone and press the  $\text{OK}$  button.



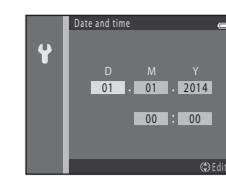
- Press  $\Delta$  to turn on daylight saving time (D is displayed above the map).
- Press  $\nabla$  to turn it off.

- Use  $\Delta\downarrow$  to select the date format and press the  $\text{OK}$  button.



- Set the date and time, and press the  $\text{OK}$  button.

- Use  $\Delta\downarrow$  to select a field and then use  $\Delta\downarrow$  to set the date and time.
- Select the minute field and press the  $\text{OK}$  button to confirm the setting.

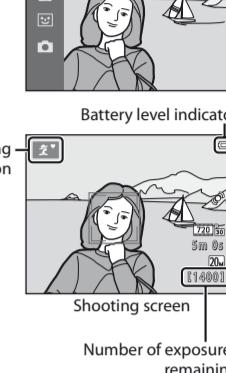


- When the confirmation screen is displayed, use  $\Delta\downarrow$  to select **Yes** and press the  $\text{OK}$  button.

- Press the  $\text{OK}$  (shooting mode) button.



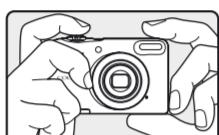
- Use  $\Delta\downarrow$  to select **Easy auto mode** and press the  $\text{OK}$  button.



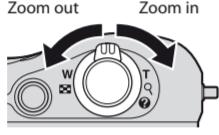
## Using the Camera

### Shooting with Easy Auto Mode

- Hold the camera steady.  
• Keep fingers and other objects away from the lens, flash, AF-assist illuminator, microphone, and speaker.



- Frame the picture.  
• Move the zoom control to change the zoom position.  
• When the camera automatically determines the scene mode, the shooting mode icon changes.



- Press the shutter-release button halfway.  
• When the subject is in focus, the focus area glows green.  
• 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.

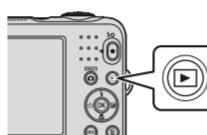


- Without lifting your finger, press the shutter-release button the rest of the way down.  
• The indicator showing the number of exposures remaining or the indicator showing the maximum movie length flashes while images are being saved or while a movie is being recorded. **Do not open the battery-chamber/memory card slot cover or remove the batteries 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.



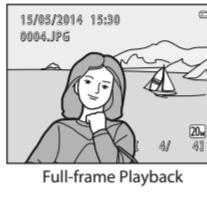
### Play Back Images

- Press the  $\text{OK}$  (playback) button to enter playback mode.

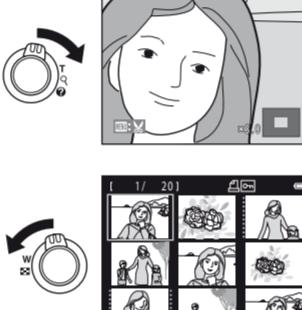


- Use the multi selector  $\Delta\downarrow\Delta\uparrow$  to select an image to display.

- To return to shooting mode, press the  $\text{OK}$  button or shutter-release button.



- Move the zoom control toward  $\text{T}$  (Q) in full-frame playback mode to zoom in on the image.



- Move the zoom control toward  $\text{W}$  (Q) in full-frame playback mode to display a list of images called "thumbnails".

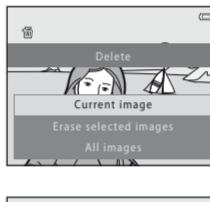


### Delete Images

- Press the  $\text{OK}$  (delete) button to delete the image currently displayed in the monitor.

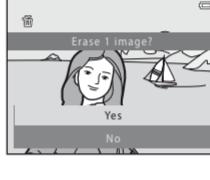


- Use the multi selector  $\Delta\downarrow$  to select **Current image** and press the  $\text{OK}$  button.



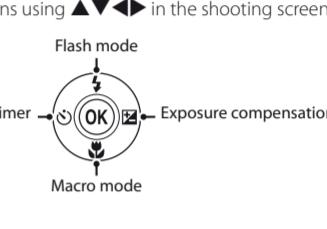
- To exit without deleting, press the  $\text{OK}$  button.

- Select **Yes** and press the  $\text{OK}$  button.  
• Deleted images cannot be recovered.



### Using the Flash and Self-timer

You can use the multi selector to set frequently used functions such as the flash and self-timer. You can set the following functions using  $\Delta\downarrow\Delta\uparrow$  in the shooting screen.



- Flash mode**

You can select the flash mode to match the shooting conditions.

- Self-timer**

If you select **ON**, the camera releases the shutter 10 seconds after you press the shutter-release button.

- Macro mode**

Use macro mode when taking close-up images.

- Exposure compensation**

You can adjust overall image brightness.

The functions that are available vary with the shooting mode.

## Shooting Features

### Changing the Shooting Mode

The following shooting modes are available.

- Easy auto mode**

The camera automatically selects the optimum scene mode when you frame an image, making it even easier to take images using settings that suit the scene.

- Scene mode**

Camera settings are optimized according to the scene that you select.

- Smart portrait**

When the camera detects a smiling face, you can take an image automatically without pressing the shutter-release button (smile timer).

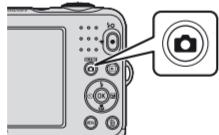
You can also use the skin softening option to smooth the skin tones of human faces.

- Auto mode**

Used for general shooting.

Settings can be adjusted to suit the shooting conditions and the type of shot you want to capture.

- Press the  $\text{OK}$  (shooting mode) button in the shooting screen.



- Use the multi selector  $\Delta\downarrow$  to select a shooting mode and press the  $\text{OK}$  button.



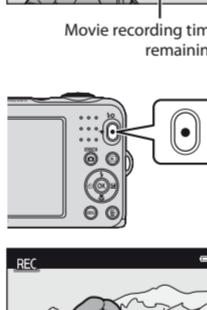
### Recording and Playing Back Movies

- Display the shooting screen.

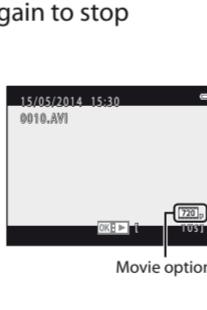
- Check the remaining amount of movie recording time.



- Press the  $\text{OK}$  (movie-record) button to start movie recording.



- Press the  $\text{OK}$  (movie-record) button again to stop recording.



- Select a movie in full-frame playback mode and press the  $\text{OK}$  button.

- Movies are indicated by the movie options icon.

### Using the Menus

Use the multi selector and  $\text{OK}$  button to navigate the menus. The following menus are available.

- Shooting menu**

Available by pressing the  $\text{OK}$  button in the shooting screen. Allows you to change image size and quality, continuous shooting settings, etc.

- Playback menu**

Available by pressing the  $\text{OK}$  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  $\text{OK}$  button in the shooting screen. Allows you to change movie recording settings.

- Setup menu**

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

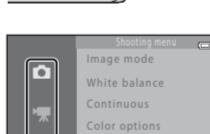
- Press the  $\text{OK}$  (menu) button.

- The menu is displayed.



- Press the multi selector  $\Delta\downarrow$ .

- The current menu icon is displayed in yellow.



- Press the  $\text{OK}$  button.



- Use  $\Delta\downarrow$  to select the desired menu icon.

- The menu is changed.

- Press the  $\text{OK}$  button.

- The menu options become selectable.

- Use  $\Delta\downarrow$  to select a menu option, and then press the  $\text{OK}$  button.

- The settings for the option you selected are displayed.

- Use  $\Delta\downarrow$  to select the setting, and then press the  $\text{OK}$  button.

- The setting you selected is applied.

- When you are finished using the menu, press the  $\text{OK}$  button.

- Certain menu options cannot be set depending on the current shooting mode or the state of the camera.
- When a menu is displayed, you can switch to shooting mode by pressing the shutter-release button

## Confirming the Package Contents

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



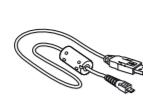
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Camera Strap



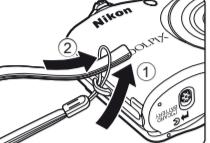
LR6/L40 (AA-size) alkaline batteries (x2)\*



USB Cable UC-E16

- *User's Manual* (this manual)
- Warranty
- The included batteries are for trial use only.
- A memory card is not included with the camera.

## Attaching the Camera Strap



## Information and Precautions

### Nikon User Support

Visit the site below to register your camera and keep up-to-date with the latest product information.

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

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## 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.



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 AC adapter, unplug the AC adapter and remove the batteries 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 AC adapter could result in injury. Repairs should be performed only by qualified technicians. Should the camera or 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 batteries.

### ⚠ Do not use the camera or 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 batteries or other small parts into their mouths.

### ⚠ Do not remain in contact with the camera, battery charger, 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.

## For Your Safety

### ⚠ 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 batteries

Batteries may leak or explode if improperly handled. Observe the following precautions when handling batteries for use in this product:

- Before replacing the batteries, turn the product off. If you are using an AC adapter, be sure it is unplugged.
- Use only the batteries approved for use in this product. Do not combine old and new batteries or batteries of different makes or types.
- If Nikon rechargeable Ni-MH batteries EN-MH2-B2 (EN-MH2-B2 or EN-MH2-B4) are purchased separately, charge and use each of them as a set. Do not combine batteries from different pairs.
- The EN-MH2 rechargeable batteries are for use with Nikon digital cameras only, and are compatible with COOLPIX L30.
- Insert batteries in the correct orientation.
- Do not short or disassemble batteries or attempt to remove or break battery insulation or casing.
- Do not expose batteries to flame or to excessive heat.
- Do not immerse in or expose to water.
- Do not transport or store with metal objects such as necklaces or hairpins.
- Batteries are prone to leakage when fully discharged. To avoid damage to the product, be sure to remove the batteries when no charge remains.
- Discontinuing use immediately should you notice any change in the batteries, such as discoloration or deformation.
- If liquid from damaged batteries comes in contact with clothing or skin, rinse immediately with plenty of water.

### ⚠ Observe the following precautions when handling the Battery Chargers (available separately)

- 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 power cable or go near the battery charger during lightning storms. Failure to observe this precaution could result in electric shock.
- Do not damage, modify, forcibly tug or bend the power cable, place it under heavy objects, or expose it to heat or flame. 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 battery charger with wet hands. Failure to observe this precaution could result in electric shock.
- Do not use 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 result in 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.

### ⚠ Handle moving parts with care

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

### ⚠ Observe caution when using the flash

Using the flash close to your subject's eyes could cause temporary visual impairment. The flash should be no less than 1 m (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.

### ⚠ Turn the power off when using inside an airplane or the hospital

Turn the power off while inside the airplane during take off or landing. Do not use wireless network functions while in the air. Follow the instructions of the hospital when using while in a hospital. The electromagnetic waves emitted by this camera may disrupt the electronic systems of the airplane or the instruments of the hospital. If you are using an Eye-Fi card, remove it from the camera before boarding an aircraft or entering a hospital.

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## Caring for the Product

### The Camera

#### ✓ Do Not Drop

The product may malfunction if subjected to strong shock or vibration.

#### ✓ 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. Strong static charge or the magnetic fields produced by equipment such as radio transmitters could interfere with the monitor, damage data saved on the memory card, or affect the product's 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.
- The monitor is lit by an LED backlight. Should the monitor begin to dim or flicker, contact your Nikon-authorized service representative.

### Memory Cards

#### ✓ Formatting Memory Cards

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 card into the camera, press the **MENU** button, and select **Format card** in the setup menu.

## Specifications

Nikon COOLPIX L30 Digital Camera

Type	Compact digital camera
Number of effective pixels	20.1 million
Image sensor	1/2.3-in. type CCD; approx. 20.48 million total pixels
Lens	NIKKOR lens with 5x optical zoom
Focal length	4.6–23.0 mm (angle of view equivalent to that of 26–130 mm lens in 35mm [135] format)
f-number	f/3.2–6.5
Construction	6 elements in 5 groups
Digital zoom magnification	Up to 4x (angle of view equivalent to that of approx. 520 mm lens in 35mm [135] format)
Motion blur reduction	Electronic VR (still pictures), motion detection (still pictures)
Autofocus (AF)	Contrast-detect AF
Focus range	• [W]: Approx. 50 cm (1 ft 8 in.)–∞, [T]: Approx. 80 cm (2 ft 8 in.)–∞ • Macro mode: Approx. 10 cm (4 in.) (wide-angle position relative to $\Delta$ ) • (All distances measured from center of front surface of lens)
Focus-area selection	Center, face detection
Monitor	7.5 cm (3 in.), approx. 230k-dot, TFT LCD with anti-reflection coating and 5-level brightness adjustment
Frame coverage (shooting mode)	Approx. 98% horizontal and 98% vertical (compared to actual picture)
Frame coverage (playback mode)	Approx. 98% horizontal and 98% vertical (compared to actual picture)
Storage	

Media	Internal memory (approx. 25 MB), SD/SDHC/SDXC memory card
File system	DCF, Exif 2.3, and DPOF compliant
File formats	Still pictures: JPEG Movies: AVI (Motion-JPEG compliant)

Image size (pixels)	• 20M (High) [5152 x 3864★] • 20M [5152 x 3864] • 10M [3648 x 2736] • 4M [2272 x 1704] • 2M [1600 x 1200] • VGA [640 x 480] • 16.9 [5120 x 2880]
ISO sensitivity (Standard output sensitivity)	ISO 80–1600
Exposure	
Metering mode	Matrix, center-weighted (digital zoom less than 2x), spot (digital zoom 2x or more)
Exposure control	Programmed auto exposure and exposure compensation (-2.0 – +2.0 EV in steps of 1/3 EV)
Shutter	Mechanical and charge-coupled electronic shutter
Speed	• 1/2000–1 s • 4 s (Fireworks show scene mode)
Aperture	Electronically-controlled ND filter (-2.6 AV) selection
Range	2 steps (f/3.2 and f/8 [W])</td