

**iHome MyLife™ webcam
1.3 megapixel max resolution**

Model #: IH-W301DW, IH-W302DP, IH-W303DN, IHW304DR

Product Knowledge Base



Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

1. What is included in the box?

- MyLife webcam (USB).
- ArcSoft Crazy Talk photo/video editing software & installation driver CD.
- User manual.

2. What are the system requirements?

- PC
- Windows XP Service Pack 2 or Vista
- USB port (a USB 2.0 port is required for optimal performance)
- CD-ROM drive.

3. Where can I download the latest driver?

- Visit www.life-works.com/drivers

4. Where can I find warranty information?

- Visit www.life-works.com/warranty

Note: you must connect your webcam to the computer before installing the driver software.

5. How to connect hardware?

- Connect the USB cable to a USB port on your computer.
- Place the webcam on a desktop mount it on your computer monitor or other convenient object. To mount your webcam on top of a notebook screen, fold opens the base and adjust it so it is securely mounted on the screen.

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6. Install software (To install DirectX)

NOTE: You only need to install DirectX if you are using Windows XP. If you are not using Windows XP, “skip to install the webcam driver”.

- Insert the installation CD into your computer.
- On the screen that displays, click installs DirectX 9.
- The license agreement displays. Accept it and click Next.
- The installation dialogue box displays. Click Next.
- When the installation is finished, an Installation Complete dialog box displays. Click Finish.
- The main software installation screen displays again.

Installation of the webcam driver

- Insert the installation CD into your computer.
- On the screen that displays, click install driver.
- A dialogue box displays saying “Device USB Video Device is found. Click OK.

- Another dialog box may display asking if you want to update the driver. If it does, click OK.
- When the driver is finished installing, a dialog box displays saying the driver has been updated. Click OK.
- The main software installation screen displays again.

Installation of the included webcam applications

- On the main software installation screen, click Crazy Talk Cam Suite.
- An Install Shield Wizard dialog box displays. Click Next. Accept the terms of the license agreement and click Next again.
- After the application finishes installing, an Install Shield Wizard Complete dialog box displays. Choose to restart your computer and click Finish.
- When the computer restarts, reinsert the installation CD and click Crazy Talk Avatar creator.
- Choose setup language dialog box displays. Select a language and click Next.
- An Install Shield Wizard dialog box displays. Click Next Accept the terms of the license agreement and click Next.
- After the application finishes installing, an Install Shield Wizard Complete dialog box displays. Clear the check boxes, then Click Finish.
- The main software installation screen displays again. Click exit.

NOTE: Crazy talk Cam Suite must be open for effects to display.

Use an avatar

- In Crazy Talk Cam Suite, select the Avatar Live! Tab.
- Choose an Avatar. (To add more custom avatars click More> Add Avatars. Select the avatar you want to add, then click To Favorites.
- To have your avatar display an emotion on video, click the emotion.

Turn on facial tracking

- In Crazy Talk Cam Suite, click the Settings button.
- The Settings dialog box displays. Select the Avatar Live! tab, then select Face tracking to trigger head movement. Click OK.
- In the main Crazy Talk Cam Suite window, select Enable Facial Tracking.

Use special effects

- In Crazy Talk Cam Suite, select the Magic Mirror tab.
- Choose an expression and / or a comic effect.

Troubleshooting Steps

1. No Video is displayed

- Check that the webcam is connected to the computer.
- Use a different USB port.
- Connect the webcam to a USB port on the computer, not a USB hub.
- Uninstall and reinstall the driver. To uninstall the driver, click Start> Control Panel > Add or Remove programs, select MyLife Web cam and click Change/ Remove.

2. Video Stutters or stops.

- Disconnect and reconnect the webcam.
- Ensure the webcam is connected to the USB 2.0 port (not a slower USB 1.1port).

Product operating tips

- Your Webcam operates best if you sit about 3 ft.(1m) from the camera. This ensures the picture is not distorted and that the microphone can easily pick up your voice.

- Turn the ring on front of the webcam to manually focus the image.
- Press the button on the top of the webcam to take a still shot.
- In Crazy Talk cam Suite or Crazy Talk Avatar creator, click the question mark button for more details on how to use the application with your webcam.

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