

Color Video Camera

Operation Instructions

Before operating the unit, please read these instructions thoroughly and retain them for future reference.

Mode d'emploi

Avant de faire fonctionner cet appareil, lisez attentivement le présent mode d'emploi et conservez-le pour toute référence ultérieure.

Manual de instrucciones

Antes de utilizar la unidad, lea las instrucciones con atención y consérvelas para su consulta en el futuro.

ExwaveHAD™ SSC-DC50A/50AP/54A/54AP/58AP

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Owner's Record

The model and serial numbers are located on the bottom. Record these numbers in the spaces provided below. Refer to these numbers whenever you call upon your Sony dealer regarding this product.

Model No. _____ Serial No. _____

WARNING

To prevent fire or shock hazard, do not expose the unit to rain or moisture.

To avoid electrical shock, do not open the cabinet. Refer servicing to qualified personnel only.



NOTICE FOR THE SSC-DC50A/54A
The graphical symbol is on the unit.
This symbol is intended to alert the user to the presence of important operating and maintenance (servicing) instructions in the literature accompanying the appliance.

For the customers in the U.S.A. (SSC-DC50A/54A only)
This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

This device requires shielded interface cable to comply with FCC emission limits.

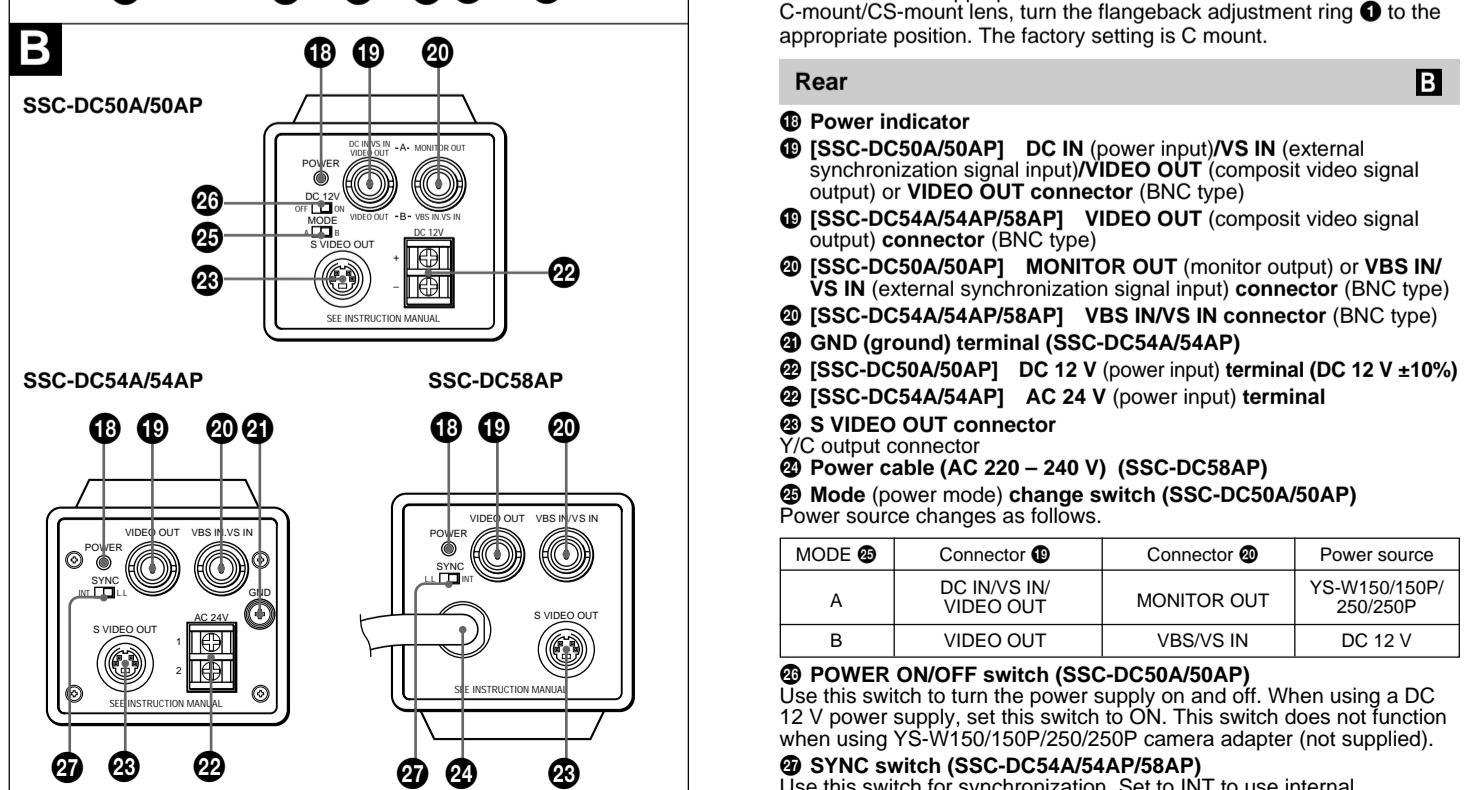
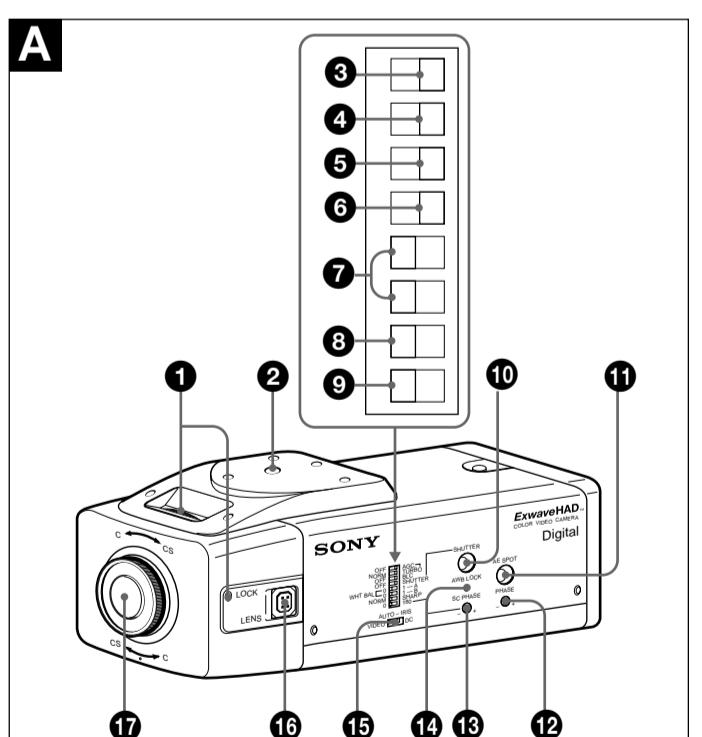
You are cautioned that any changes or modifications not expressly approved in this manual could void your authority to operate this equipment.

AVERTISSEMENT

Afin d'éviter tout risque d'incendie ou d'électrocution, ne pas exposer cet appareil à la pluie ou à l'humidité.
Afin d'éviter tout risque d'électrocution, garder le coffret fermé. Ne confier l'entretien de l'appareil qu'à un personnel qualifié.

ADVERTENCIA

Para prevenir el riesgo de incendios o de electrocución, no exponga la unidad a la lluvia ni a la humedad.
Para evitar descargas eléctricas, no abra la unidad. En caso de avería, solicite el servicio de personal cualificado únicamente.



English

Features

This SSC-DC50A/50AP/54A/54AP/58AP color video camera is equipped with a 1/2 inch Exwave HAD™ (Exwave Hole-Accumulated Diode) CCD (Charge Coupled Device), and also has the following features:

- High sensitivity (Minimum illumination: 0.8 lux, F1.2)
- CCD-IRIS™ function
- Automatic white balance tracking and adjustment
- 8-level electronic shutter
- External synchronization
- Auto-Iris lens controlled by video signal or DC power supply
- Automatic backlight compensation through Smart Control™ (operates when AGC switch is in the "ON" position)
- The SSC-DC50A/50AP has a power multiplex feature
- The SSC-DC54A/54AP/58AP has a line lock function

* Exwave HAD, CCD IRIS and Smart Control are registered trademarks of Sony Corporation.

Notes on Use

Power supply

The SSC-DC50A/50AP must always be operated with a 12 V DC power supply* or the YS-W150/150P/250/250P camera adaptor (not supplied). The SSC-DC54A/54AP must always be operated with a 24V AC class 2 power supply.* SSC-DC58AP must always be operated with a 220 to 240 V AC power supply.

* In the U.S.A., use a UL-listed class 2 power supply. In Canada, use a CSA-certified Class 2 power supply.

Handling

Be careful not to spill water or other liquids on the unit, or allow combustible or metallic objects to fall inside the body. If used with foreign matter inside, the camera is liable to fail, or be a cause of fire or electric shock.

Operation and storage locations

Avoid aiming the camera at very bright objects such as the sun or electric lights for an extended period. Avoid operating or storing the unit in the following locations.

- Extremely hot or cold places (operating temperature -10°C to +50°C (14°F to 122°F))
- Damp or dusty places
- Where it is exposed to rain
- Where it is subject to strong vibration
- Close to generators of powerful electromagnetic radiation such as radio or TV transmitters.
- Where it is subject to fluorescent light reflections
- Where it is subject to unstable (flickering, etc.) lighting conditions.

Care of the unit

• Remove dust or dirt on the surface of the lens or CCD with a blower. Use a dry, soft cloth to clean the body. If it is very dirty, use a cloth dampened with a small quantity of neutral detergent, then wipe dry.

• Avoid using volatile solvents such as thinners, alcohol, benzene, and insecticides. They may damage the surface finish and/or impair the operation of the camera.

Other

- When using automatic backlight compensation, hunting may occur.
- If you use the CCD-IRIS function in locations where the camera is exposed to fluorescent light, a slow color change may occur.
- If AGC is turned on while in the TURBO mode, bright objects may be colored.

In the event of any problems with the operation of the camera, contact your Sony dealer.

Location and Function of Parts

Top/Front/Side Illustration A

① Flangeback adjustment ring and locking screw

Use this ring to adjust the flangeback (the distance between the lens mounting plane and the image plane).

Use the locking screw to lock the focal length.

② Tripod adaptor

The tripod adaptor can be attached to either the top or bottom of the camera using the four attached screws (1/4" UNC-20, length = 4.5 ± 0.2 mm). On the SSC-DC50A/54A, the tripod adaptor is attached on top of the main body. On the SSC-DC50A/54AP/58AP, it is attached underneath the main body.

③ AGC (Automatic gain control) ON/OFF switch

The automatic gain function automatically adjusts picture gain in accordance with the brightness of the subject.

④ Gain up switch

Switching the Gain up switch to the TURBO mode while the AGC switch is on increases gain by up to 6dB over the NORM (normal) mode.

⑤ BLC (back lighting compensation) ON/OFF switch

When switched on, this function adjusts exposure to compensate for situations where the subject is lit from behind.

⑥ SHUTTER ON/OFF switch

Turning the switch on enables the 8-level electronic shutter and the CCD IRIS.

⑦ White Balance Mode switch

AWB (Auto White Balance): Set WHT BAL A to 1; B to 1.

The LOCK button ⑩ can be used in this mode. This switch sets the appropriate white balance if the adjustment setting has been set in the memory.

5600K (Fixed mode): Set WHT BAL A to 0; B to 1.

White balance mode for daylight.

ATW (Auto Tracing White balance): Set WHT BAL A to 1; B to 0.

The camera automatically adjusts the white balance according to the color temperature of the light source. This is particularly effective if the white balance is not functioning in the ATWpro mode.

ATWpro (Auto Tracing White balance Pro): Set WHT BAL A to 0; B to 0.

The unit automatically adjusts the white balance according to the color temperature (2500K–6000K) of the light source.

⑧ Aperture switch

Set in the "SHARP" mode to sharpen the outline and produce a clearer picture.

⑨ O-180 switch

When VBS is locked, you can change the range by adjusting the subcarrier phase.

⑩ Shutter Speed/CCD IRIS Mode switch

By setting the rotary switch (0–7), you can set the shutter speed (0–7) and the CCD IRIS mode (8, 9). If the SHUTTER ON/OFF switch ⑥ is OFF, this switch is disabled.

0:1/60 (1/50)*, 1:1/100 (1/120)*, 2:1/250, 3:1/500, 4:1/1000, 5:1/2000, 6:1/4000, 7:1/10000, 8: Normal CCD IRIS function, 9: CCD IRIS with forced back light compensation

* Numbers within the parentheses are for SSC-DC50A/54AP/58AP

⑪ AE SPOT switch

By setting the rotary switch (0–7), you can set the image frame for the automatic exposure control. (See illustration C.) The shaded part indicates the image frame that has been set.

0: Whole screen, 1: Center (small), 2: Lower left, 3: Lower right, 4: Center (bottom), 5: Upper left, 6: Upper right, 7: Center (Large)

When an image frame is selected (1–7 on the rotary switch), the frame is displayed for 1 second on the monitor screen. The rotary switch settings 8 and 9 have the following function (the image frame mode is fixed to Full Screen):

8: Forced backlight compensation, 9: Excessive forward light compensation

⑫ PHASE volume

You can adjust the horizontal/vertical phase shift.

⑬ SC PHASE (Sub Carrier Phase) volume

With the O-180 switch ⑨, you can adjust a burst phase shift when VBS is locked.

⑭ Note

If you use the camera with multiplexed power sources, you cannot lock VBS. You can lock VS with the multiplexed power sources.

⑮ AWB LOCK button

If the White Balance Mode switch ⑦ has been set to AWB, and if the all of the monitor screen displays a white object, this button automatically adjusts the white balance according to the color temperature of the light source; the adjustment setting is saved in the memory.

⑯ Auto iris lens selection switch (DC/VIDEO)

Switch for selecting the control signal for the auto iris lens.

DC: For auto iris lenses controlled by DC signals

VIDEO: For auto iris lenses controlled by video signals

Notes

• When the DC/VIDEO switch is set to VIDEO, the backlight compensation function may not work properly.

• When the DC/VIDEO switch is set to VIDEO, "hunting" may occur. If this occurs, use the LEVEL L/H adjustment screw on the lens to change the incident light level. When adjusting the incident light level, set the ALC (Automatic Light Control) adjustment screw to Av.

⑰ Lens connector (4 pin socket)

Supplies power and control signals to an auto iris lens (not supplied).

⑱ Lens mount

Use to mount an appropriate C-mount or a CS-mount lens. To attach a C-mount/CS-mount lens, turn the flangeback adjustment ring ① to the appropriate position. The factory setting is C mount.

⑲ Note

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⑳ AWB button

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㉑ Sélecteur d'objectif à diaphragme automatique (DC/VIDEO)

Sert à sélectionner le signal de commande d'un objectif à diaphragme automatique.

DC: pour les objectifs à diaphragme automatique commandés par l'alimentation CC

VIDEO: pour les objectifs à diaphragme automatique commandés par des signaux vidéo

㉒ Sélecteur de vitesse d'obturation/mode CCD IRIS

Ce commutateur rotatif vous permet de régler l'image pour la commande d'exposition automatique. (Voir illustration C.) La partie ombrée indique la vitesse d'obturation.

0: Totalité de l'écran, 1: Centre (petit), 2: Bas gauche, 3: Bas droite, 4: Centre (grand), 5: Haut gauche, 6: Haut droit, 7: Centre (grand)

Lorsqu'une image est sélectionnée (1–7 sur le commutateur rotatif), l'image s'affiche à l'écran pendant 1 seconde. Les réglages 8 et 9 du commutateur rotatif remplissent les fonctions suivantes (le mode d'image est verrouillé sur Full Screen):

8: Compensation de contre-jour forcée, 9: Compensation de lumière avant/excessive

㉓ Volume PHASE

Vous pouvez régler le décalage de la phase horizontale/verticale.

㉔ Volume SC PHASE (phase sous-porteuse)

Le commutateur 0–180 ⑨ vous permet de régler un décalage de phase de séparation lorsque VBS est verrouillé.

㉕ Remarque

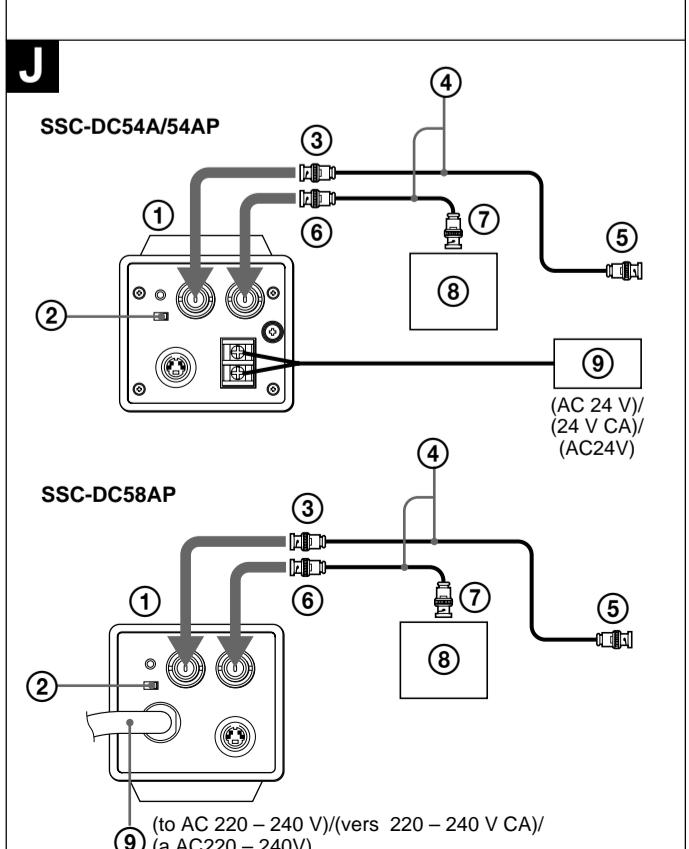
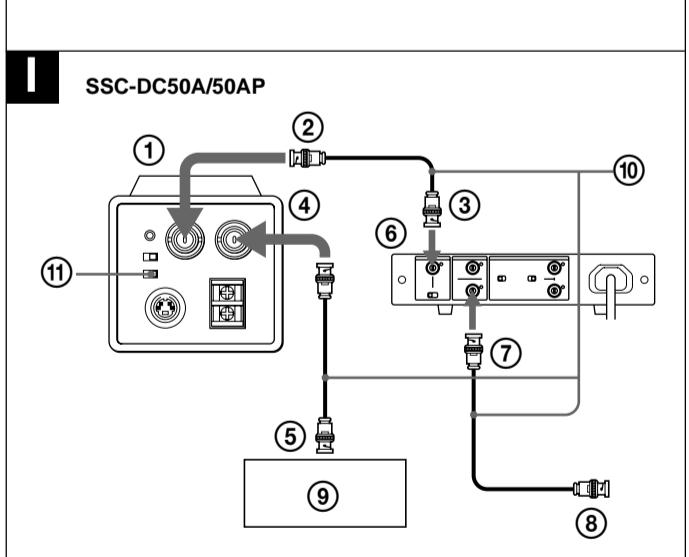
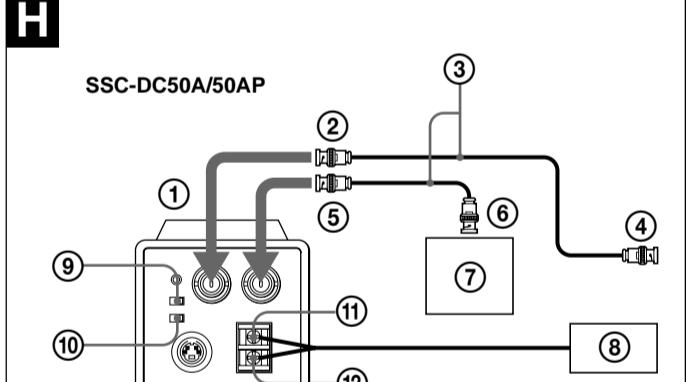
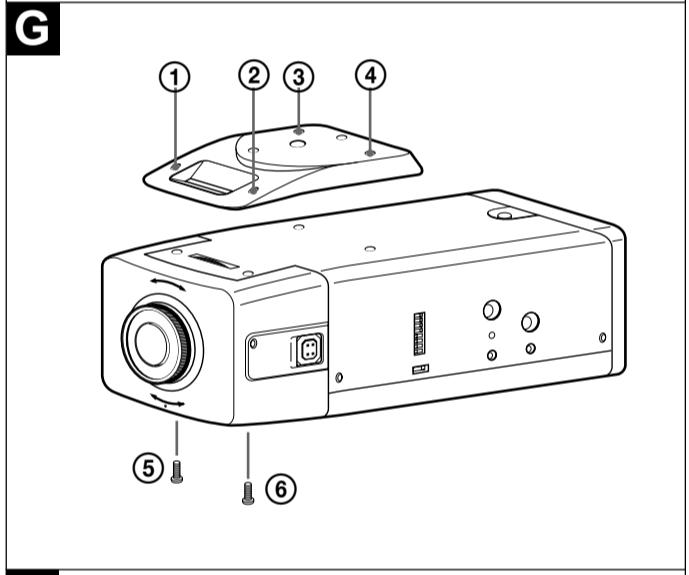
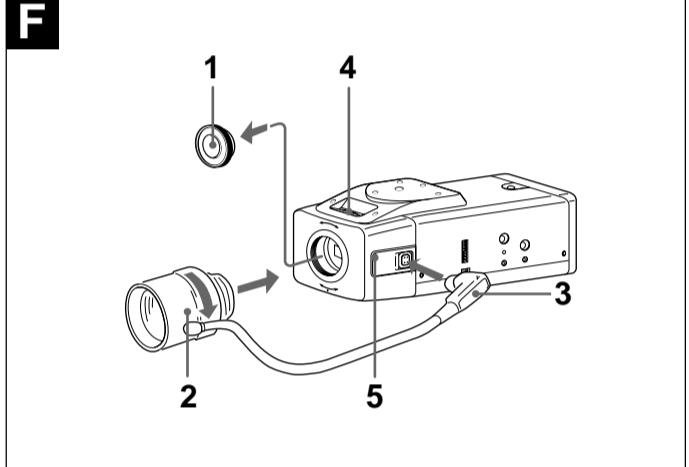
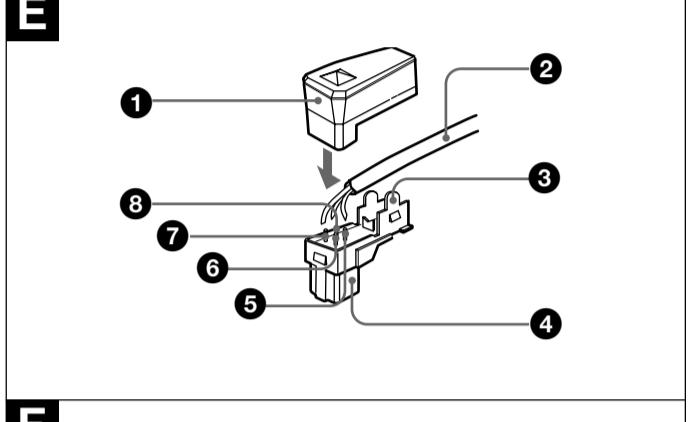
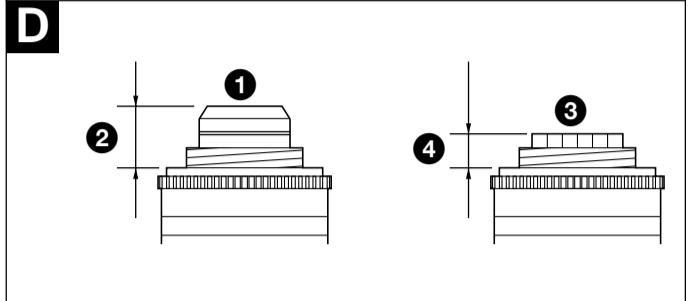
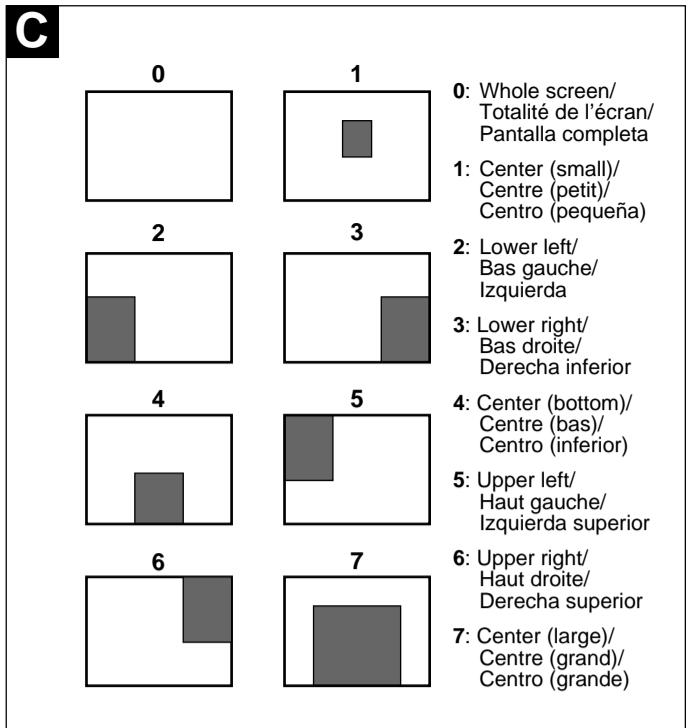
Si vous utilisez la caméra avec des sources d'alimentation multiples, vous ne pouvez pas verrouiller VBS. Vous pouvez verrouiller VS avec les sources d'alimentation multiples.

㉖ Touche AWB LOCK

Si le sélecteur de mode de balance des blancs ⑩ est réglé sur AWB et si tous les écrans de contrôle affichent un objet blanc, cette touche régle automatiquement la balance des blancs en fonction de la température de couleur de la source lumineuse; le réglage est sauvegardé dans la mémoire.

㉗ Sélecteur d'objectif à diaphragme automatique (DC/VIDEO)

Sert à sélectionner le signal de commande d'un objectif à diaphragme automatique.



Installation

Suitable lenses

The lens must be either a C- or a CS-mount type of less than 1 kg. The protrusion behind the mounting surface must be within the following limits: ① C-mount lens, ② 9 mm or less, ③ CS-mount lens, ④ 4 mm or less.

Changing the plug on an auto iris lens cable

The camera is supplied with a plug to fit the LENS connector. To connect an auto-iris lens, first replace the plug on the lens cable with the supplied plug.

- 1 Detach the old plug from the lens cable.
- 2 Solder the lens cable to the pins of the supplied plug. (For cable pin assignment, refer to the instruction manual for the lens.)

① Cover	
② Lens cable	
③ Rib (If the cable is thick, cut this off.)	
④ Plug (unit accessory)	
⑤ Pin 4	Video signal control
	Ground
⑥ Pin 2	Video signal control
	DC control
⑦ Pin 1	Video signal control
	Power supply (DC9V 50mA)
⑧ Pin 3	Video signal control
	DC control
	Drive +

Fitting the lens

- 1 Unscrew the lens mount cap.
- 2 Slide in the lens, and turn it until it is secured.
- 3 Insert the lens plug in the LENS connector.
- When fitting a manual-iris lens, omit step 3.
- 4 Adjust the flangeback by turning the C/CS adjustment ring.
- 5 Tighten the locking screw.

Caution
When mounting the lens, loosen the securing nut on the side and turn the flangeback adjustment to the "C" position. Mounting a C-mount lens with the adjustment ring in the "CS" position may damage the optical filter. Keep the lens mount cap on the camera when not attaching a lens.

Installing the camera

When mounting the camera on a tripod, attach the tripod adaptor to either the top or bottom of the camera. Use a 1/4" UNC-20 screw to mount the camera on a tripod.

- Fitting the camera tripod adaptor** **C**
- 1 Loosen screws ①–④ that secure the tripod adaptor. Remove the adaptor carefully, and do not pull at the screws.
 - 2 Remove screws ⑤ and ⑥.
 - 3 Attach the tripod adaptor on the opposite side, and insert screws ⑤ and ⑥ on the surface from which the adaptor was removed.

Connections

Connecting the SSC-DC50A/50AP

Set the MODE switch to B. When the connections have been made, set the DC 12V power supply switch to ON.

Note

To prevent short circuits, do not let the exposed ends of the mains lead wires touch each other when connecting to the mains lead terminals.

Using an external synchronization signal

- ① SSC-DC50A/50AP (rear)
- ② VIDEO OUT connector
- ③ 75 ohm coaxial cable
- ④ VIDEO INPUT connector
- ⑤ VS IN connector
- ⑥ Synchronization output connector
- ⑦ Synchronization signal (e.g., switcher)
- ⑧ Power supply
- ⑨ DC 12V switch (set to ON)
- ⑩ MODE switch (set to B)
- ⑪ +12 V
- ⑫ GND (ground)

Using an internal synchronization signal

To operate with an internal synchronization signal, no connection to the synchronization signal source (⑦, ⑧ and ⑨ above) is necessary.

Using a YS-W150/150P/250/250P camera adapter (not supplied) (Power multiplex)

Set the MODE switch to A. When the connections have been made, set the YS-W150/150P/250/250P power supply switch to ON.

- ① SSC-DC50A/50AP (rear)
- ② DC IN, VS IN/VIDEO OUT
- ③ CAMERA IN connector
- ④ MONITOR OUT connector
- ⑤ VIDEO INPUT connector
- ⑥ YS-W150/150P/250/250P camera adapter
- ⑦ VIDEO OUT connector
- ⑧ VIDEO INPUT connector (monitor input connector)
- ⑨ Portable monitor
- ⑩ 75 ohm coaxial cable
- ⑪ MODE switch (set to A)

Connecting the SSC-DC54A/54AP/58AP

- Using an external synchronization signal**
- ① SSC-DC54A/54AP/58AP
 - ② VIDEO OUT connector
 - ③ 75 ohm coaxial cable
 - ④ VIDEO INPUT connector
 - ⑤ VS IN connector
 - ⑥ Power supply
 - ⑦ Synchronization output connector
 - ⑧ Synchronization signal (e.g., switcher)
 - ⑨ Sync terminal

Using an internal synchronization signal

To operate with an internal synchronization signal, set the LL/INT switch (②) to INT. Connecting the synchronization signal source (⑥, ⑦, ⑨) is not necessary.

Using an AC 24 V power supply (SSC-DC54A/54AP)

- When using a power supply without ground lead (two-lead type), connect the output of the power supply to the AC 24V 1 and 2 terminals of the camera.
- When using a power supply with ground lead (three-lead type), connect the ground lead to the GND terminal and the other two leads to the AC 24V 1 and 2 terminals of the camera.

Phase Adjustment

When using more than one camera, adjust the phase according to the following procedure.

Vertical phase (LL mode) (SSC-DC54A/54AP/58AP)

The picture may roll vertically if the vertical phase is not set. Use the PHASE volume to adjust the vertical phase.

Horizontal phase (VS/VBS lock mode)

The picture may shift horizontally when using an extended cable. Use the PHASE volume to adjust the horizontal phase.

CCD Characteristics

The following conditions may be observed when using a CCD camera are not due to any fault within the camera.

Vertical smear

This phenomenon occurs when viewing a very bright object.

Patterned noise

This is a fixed pattern which may appear over the entire monitor screen when the camera is operated at a high temperature.

Jagged picture

When viewing stripes, straight lines, or similar patterns, the image on the screen may appear jagged.

Specifications

Image device 1/2" interline transfer type CCD

Effective picture elements 1280 (horizontal) × 768 (vertical)

Lens mount C-mount/CS-mount adjustable

Signal system DC50A/54A: NTSC color system

Synchronization system DC50A/50AP: INT/VBS/S/MPX-VS

External synchronization signal VBS/VS (sync level: 0.3–5.0 Vp-p, 75 ohm)

Horizontal resolution 470 TV lines

Minimum illumination 0.8 lux, F1.2 (with AGC set to ON in TURBO mode)

Video output 1 Vp-p, 75 ohm, negative sync

Video S/N 50 dB or more (with AGC set to OFF, Weight ON)

Electronic shutter 8 levels

DC50A/50AP: 1/60 (1/50)*, 1/100 (1/100)*, 1/250, 1/500, 1/1000, 1/2000, 1/4000, 1/10000

* Numbers within the parentheses are for SSC-DC50A/50AP/58AP

Power requirements DC50A/50AP: DC 12 V ±10%

DC54A: AC 24 V ±5 V (when YS-W150/250/250P is in use)

DC54A: AC 24 V (60 Hz)

DC54AP: AC 24 V (50 Hz)

DC58AP: 220–240 V (50 Hz)

DC50A/50AP: 4.5 W (DC 12V for power source)

5.5 W (when YS-W150/150P/250/250P is in use)

DC54A: 6 W

DC58AP: 5.5 W

Operating temperature -10°C to +50°C (14°F to 122°F)

Operating humidity 20 to 80%

Storage temperature -40°C to +60°C (-40°F to 140°F)

Storage humidity 20 to 95%

Shock resistance 70 G

Dimensions DC50A(P)/DC54A(P): 640 g (1 lb 5 oz)

DC58A(P): 900 g (1 lb 16 oz)

(DC50A(P)/DC54A(P): 64 × 57 × 137 (W/h/d) mm (2 5/8" × 2 1/4" × 5 1/2" inches))

(DC58A(P): 64 × 57 × 162 (W/h/d) mm (2 5/8" × 2 1/4" × 6 1/2" inches))

Supplied accessories 4-pin plug for auto iris lens (1)

Lens mount cap (1)

Operating Instructions (1)

Design and specifications are subject to change without notice.

Installation

Objectifs compatibles

L'objectif doit être à monture C ou CS et peser moins de 1 kg. La saillie de la partie arrière de l'objectif ne peut dépasser les limites suivantes: ① Objectif à monture C, ② 9 mm ou moins, ③ Objectif à monture CS, ④ 4 mm ou moins

Remplacement de la fiche d'un câble d'objectif à diaphragme automatique

La caméra est fournie avec une fiche pour le connecteur LENS. Pour raccorder un objectif à diaphragme automatique, remplacez d'abord la fiche du câble d'objectif par la fiche fournie.

- 1 Déposez la fiche d'origine du câble d'objectif.
- 2 Soudez le câble d'objectif aux broches de la fiche du câble d'objectif. Consultez le mode d'emploi de l'objectif.

①	Bouchon
②	Câble d'objectif
③	Nervure (découpez-la si le cordon est de forte section)
④	Fiche (accessoire)
⑤	Broche 4 Commande du signal vidéo Masse
	Commande CC Masse
⑥	Broche 2 Commande du signal vidéo Non utilisé
	Commande CC COMM +
⑦	Broche 1 Commande du signal vidéo Alimentation (CC9V, 50mA)
	Commande CC COMM –
⑧	Broche 3 Commande du signal vidéo Signal vidéo
	Commande CC ENTR +

Montage de l'objectif

- 1 Dévissez le bouchon d'objectif.
- 2 Vissez l'objectif et tournez jusqu'à ce qu'il se verrouille.
- 3 Branchez la fiche d'objectif sur le connecteur LENS.
- Si vous utilisez un objectif à diaphragme manuel, passez l'étape 3.
- 4 Réglez la distance focale en tournant la bague de réglage C/CS.
- 5 Serrez la vis de blocage.

Attention

Lorsque vous montez l'objectif, desserrez l'écrou de verrouillage situé sur le côté et tournez la bague de réglage de la distance focale sur la position "C". L'installation d'un objectif à monture C avec la bague de réglage sur la position "CS" risque d'endommager le filtre optique. Laissez le bouchon d'objectif sur la caméra lorsque vous n'y montez pas d'objectif.

Installation de la caméra

Lorsque vous montez la caméra sur un trépied, attachez l'adaptateur de trépied en haut ou en bas de la caméra. Servez-vous d'une vis 1/4" UNC-20 pour monter la caméra sur un trépied.

Fixation de l'adaptateur de trépied

- 1 Desserez les vis ① à ④ qui fixent l'adaptateur de trépied. Retirez l'adaptateur avec précaution, en évitant de tirer sur les vis.
- 2 Retirez les vis ⑤ et ⑥.
- 3 Fixez l'adaptateur de trépied du côté opposé, et introduisez les vis ⑤ et ⑥ sur le côté où le support a été enlevé.

Raccordements

Raccordement de la SSC-DC50A/50AP

Réglez l'interrupteur sur B. Quand les raccordements sont faits, réglez l'interrupteur d'alimentation DC 12 V sur ON.

Utilisation du signal de synchronisation externe

- ① SSC-DC50A/50AP (à l'arrière)
- ② connecteur VIDEO OUT
- ③ câble coaxial de 75 ohms
- ④ connecteur VIDEO INPUT