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VIDEO CASSETTE RECORDER

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Safety Precautions

The rating plate and the safety caution are on the rear of the unit.

WARNING: DANGEROUS VOLTAGE INSIDE WARNING: TO PREVENT FIRE OR SHOCK HAZARD, DO NOT EXPOSE THIS UNIT TO RAIN OR MOISTURE.

CAUTION

- When you are not using the recorder for a long period of time, it is recommended that you disconnect the power cord from the mains outlet.
- Dangerous voltage inside. Refer internal servicing to qualified service personnel. To prevent electric shock or fire hazard, remove the power cord from the mains outlet prior to connecting or disconnecting any signal lead or aerial.

WARNING

There are two different types of SECAM colour systems: SECAM-L, used in FRANCE (also called SECAM-West), and SECAM-B, used in Eastern European countries (also called SECAM-East).

- 1. This recorder can also receive SECAM-B colour television signals for recording and playback.
- 2.Recordings made of SECAM-B television signals produce monochrome pictures if played back on a video recorder of SECAM-L standard, or do not produce normal colour pictures if played back on a PAL video recorder with SECAM-B system incorporated (even if the TV set is SECAM-compatible).
- 3.SECAM-L prerecorded cassettes or recordings made with a SECAM-L video recorder produce monochrome pictures when played back with this recorder.
- 4. This recorder cannot be used for the SECAM-L standard. Use a SECAM-L recorder to record SECAM-L signals.

For Italy:

"It is declared that this product, brand JVC, conforms to the Ministry Decree n. 548 of 28 Aug.'95 published in the Official Gazette of the Italian Republic n. 301 of 28 Dec.'95"

The STANDBY/ON \oplus /I button does not completely shut off mains power from the unit, but switches operating current on and off. " \oplus " shows electrical power standby and " I " shows ON.

IMPORTANT

- Please read the various precautions on this page before installing or operating the recorder.
- It should be noted that it may be unlawful to re-record pre-recorded tapes, records, or discs without the consent of the owner of copyright in the sound or video recording, broadcast or cable programme and in any literary, dramatic, musical, or artistic work embodied therein.

Video tapes recorded with another recorder in the LP (Long Play) mode cannot be played back on this video recorder.

Failure to heed the following precautions may result in damage to the recorder, remote control or video cassette.

1. <u>DO NOT</u> place the recorder . . .

- ... in an environment prone to extreme temperatures or humidity.
- ... in direct sunlight.
- ... in a dusty environment.
- ... in an environment where strong magnetic fields are generated.
- ... on a surface that is unstable or subject to vibration.
- 2. <u>DO NOT</u> block the recorder's ventilation openings.
- 3. <u>DO NOT</u> place heavy objects on the recorder or remote control.
- 4. <u>DO NOT</u> place anything which might spill on top of the recorder or remote control.
- 5. AVOID violent shocks to the recorder during transport.

MOISTURE CONDENSATION

Moisture in the air will condense on the recorder when you move it from a cold place to a warm place, or under extremely humid conditions—just as water droplets form in the surface of a glass filled with cold liquid. Moisture condensation on the head drum will cause damage to the tape. In conditions where condensation may occur, keep the recorder turned on for a few hours to let the moisture dry.

ABOUT HEAD CLEANING

Accumulation of dirt and other particles on the video heads may cause the playback picture to become blurred or interrupted. Be sure to contact your nearest JVC dealer if such troubles occur.



- Cassettes marked "VHS" (or "S-VHS") can be used with this video cassette recorder, however, only VHS signals can be played back and recorded.
- HQ VHS is compatible with existing VHS equipment.

INSTALLING YOUR NEW RECORDER

Basic Connections



Make AV connection if your TV has a 21-pin AV input connector (SCART) in order to reduce the possibility of interference.

It's essential that your video recorder be properly connected. Follow these steps carefully. THESE STEPS MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE ANY VIDEO OPERATION CAN BE PERFORMED.



- b- Connect the TV aerial cable to the ANT. IN jack on the rear panel of the recorder.
- **c** Connect the provided RF cable between the RF OUT jack on the rear panel of the recorder and the TV's aerial terminal.

AV CONNECTION

- To Connect To A TV With AV Input Terminals . . . **a**- Connect the aerial, recorder and TV as per "RF CONNECTION".
 - b- Connect an optional SCART cable between the AV1 IN/OUT socket on the rear panel of the recorder and the TV's 21-pin SCART connector.

CONNECT RECORDER TO MAINS

Plu out

Plug the end of the mains power cord into a mains outlet.

ATTENTION

If you have finished all the necessary connections, go to "Video Channel Set" on page 4, then perform Auto Set Up on page 5; do NOT press the O/I button on the recorder/remote control to turn on the recorder's power before you start Auto Set Up.



Video Channel Set

Video Channel (RF Output Channel) is the channel on which your TV receives picture and sound signals from the video recorder through the RF cable.

If you have connected the video recorder to your TV via both the RF cable and a 21-pin SCART cable (AV connection), since you do not need the video channel you have to set the video channel to off.

If you have connected the video recorder to your TV via the RF cable only (RF connection), you have to set the correct video channel.

IMPORTANT:

Before performing the following steps, make sure the recorder's power is off and there is no cassette inserted in the recorder.



display panel shows the following.



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With AV Connection

Press TV PROG – until the display panel shows "_OUT--".



Now the video channel is set to off.

With RF Connection

Set your TV to UHF channel 36.

- If the two vertical white bars appear clearly on the screen as shown to the right, go to step 3.
- If the two vertical white bars do not appear clearly, press TV PROG + or – to set the

video recorder to a vacant channel between 28 and 60 which is not occupied by any local station in your area.

(Ex.) If channel 50 is available in your area



Then set your TV to UHF channel 50 and check if the two vertical white bars appear clearly on the screen; if so, go to step 3. If not, re-set the video recorder to another vacant channel and try again.

NOTES:

- If you set the video recorder to a channel which is occupied by a local station or has neighbouring channels that are occupied by local stations, the picture reception quality will be affected and some interference noise will appear on the TV screen. Be sure to select a vacant channel which has no broadcast on neighbouring channels.
- If you cannot obtain the two vertical white bars clearly with any channel between 28 and 60, consult your JVC dealer.



TURN OFF THE RECORDER Press じ/l.

With AV Connection: To view picture signals from the video recorder, set your TV to its AV mode.

With **RF** Connection: The channel on which the screen in step 2 appears clearly is your video channel. To view picture signals from the video recorder, set your TV to the Video Channel.

After you finish this procedure, go to "Auto Set Up" on page 5.





Auto Set Up





ATTENTION

Once you have performed Auto Set Up, even if the recorder's memory backup has expired, all the stored stations remain in the recorder's memory and the recorder will not perform Auto Set Up again. You only need to set the clock. (IFP pg. 28)

If you have moved to a different area, perform each setting as required.

- Tuner setting 🖙 pg. 22
- Clock setting IF pg. 28

If a new station starts broadcasting in your area, perform tuner setting (127 pg. 22).

NOTES:

- If you perform Auto Channel Set when the aerial cable is not connected properly, "SCAN COMPLETED -NO SIGNAL-" appears on the screen. When this happens, make sure of the aerial connection and press OK; Auto Channel Set will take place again.
- If there is a power cut, or if you press ⊍/I or **MENU** while Auto Channel Set is in progress, Auto Channel Set will be interrupted; be sure to turn off the recorder power once and try again.

The Auto Set Up function simplifies clock and tuner set. To set the clock and tuner channels, simply follow the on-screen menu that appears when the b/I button on the recorder/remote control is pressed for the first time to power on the recorder after you plug the mains power cord into a mains outlet.

Before performing the following steps, make sure that:
the TV aerial cable is connected to the recorder (IF pg. 3).

- the Video Channel is set correctly (IF pg. 4).
- the video Channel is set correctly (LF pg. 4).
 the TV is turned on and the VIDEO channel or AV mode
 - is selected.

START AUTO SET UP

Press U/I.

• The Clock Set screen appears.

SET DATE AND TIME

Press $\Delta \nabla$ to set the time, then press **OK** or \triangleright . The "date" display begins blinking. Repeat the same procedure to set the date and year.

When you set the time,

press and hold $\triangle \nabla$ to



change the time by 30 minutes.
When you set the date, press and hold △▽ to change the date by 15 days.

PERFORM AUTO CHANNEL SET

Press **MENU** and the "AUTO SET" screen appears. When Auto Channel Set is completed, "SCAN COMPLETED" appears for about 5 seconds on the screen, then the normal screen appears.

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- The Auto Channel Set function scans all the channels that are receivable by your recorder. It then automatically assigns each receivable channels to the **TV PROG** buttons. It skips non-receivable channels.
- As Auto Channel Set progresses, the "■" mark on the screen moves from left to right.

If you want to set the tuner manually such as to add or skip channels, to change channel positions, or to set or change station names, see pages 24 - 26.

INITIAL SETTINGS (cont.)



The superimposed indication on the TV screen tells you what the recorder is doing.



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- 1- Operation mode indicators
- 2- Cassette loaded mark
- **3–** Counter display
- 4- Tape remaining time indicator (EP pg. 13)
- 5- Current day/month/year
- 6- Clock display
- 7– Channel position number and station name*/Aux. indicator (L-1)
 - * Displayed if you have set station names manually (II pg. 26).

INFORMATION ON COLOUR SYSTEM





NOTES:

About NTSC Playback

- Some TVs shrink the picture vertically and place black bars at the top and bottom of the screen. This is not a malfunction on the part of either the video recorder or the TV.
- The picture may roll up and down. This can be corrected using the V-HOLD control found on some TVs. (This cannot be corrected if the TV does not have a V-HOLD control.)
- The counter and tape remaining time readings will be incorrect.
- During search, still, or frame-by-frame playback, the picture will be distorted, and there may be a loss of colour.
- Depending on the type of TV, the top and bottom portions of superimposed displays may be cut off during NTSC playback.

You can play back PAL, NTSC and MESECAM tapes, or record PAL and SECAM* signals on this recorder. Follow the procedure below to select the appropriate colour system.

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SECAM signals will be recorded as MESECAM on this recorder; MESECAM is the designation for tapes with SECAM signals that have been recorded on a MESECAM-compatible PAL video cassette recorder.



Press MENU.

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PLAYBACK

Basic Playback

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Turn on the TV and select the VIDEO channel (or AV mode).



The easiest, most basic operation possible with your video recorder is tape playback. Already-recorded signals on a video tape are read by your video recorder and displayed on your TV just like a TV programme.

LOAD A CASSETTE

Make sure the window side is up, the rear label side is facing you and the arrow on the front of the cassette is point toward the recorder. Don't apply too much pressure when inserting.

- The recorder power comes on automatically and the counter is reset to 0:00:00.
- If the record safety tab has been removed, playback begins automatically.

FIND PROGRAMME START POINT

If the tape is advanced past the start point, press **REW**. To go forward, press **FF**.

START PLAYBACK

Press **PLAY**. "BEST" appears blinking in the recorder's display panel during automatic tracking. (**E**" pg. 14)

STOP PLAYBACK

Press **STOP** on the remote or **STOP/EJECT** on the recorder's front panel. Then press **STOP/EJECT** to remove the cassette.

Usable cassettes



- Compact VHS camcorder recordings can be played on this video recorder. Simply place the recorded cassette into a VHS Cassette Adapter and it can be used just like any full-sized VHS cassette.
- This video recorder can record on regular VHS and Super VHS cassettes. However, it will record and play back regular VHS signals only. It is not possible to play back a recorded Super VHS tape.



Playback Features



High-Speed Search



ACTIVATE HIGH-SPEED SEARCH

During playback or still picture, press **FF** for forward high-speed search, or **REW** for reverse high-speed search.

To resume normal playback, press PLAY.

NOTE:

For short searches, press and hold **FF** or **REW** for over 2 seconds during playback or still picture. When released, normal playback resumes.

Still Picture/Frame-By-Frame Playback

PAUSE DURING PLAYBACK

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Press **PAUSE.** If there is vertical jitter, use the **TV PROG** buttons to correct the picture.

ACTIVATE FRAME-BY-FRAME PLAYBACK Press PAUSE.

OR

Press \triangleleft or \triangleright .

To resume normal playback, press PLAY.

Slow Motion



ACTIVATE SLOW-MOTION PLAYBACK

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During still picture, press and hold **PAUSE** for 2 seconds, then release. Press and release again to return to still picture.

OR

During still picture, press and hold \triangleleft or \triangleright . Release to return to still picture.

To resume normal playback, press PLAY.

Variable-Speed Search



During playback, press \triangleleft or \triangleright .

- The more times you press, the faster the playback picture moves.
- To decrease speed, press the button for the opposite direction.

To resume normal playback, press PLAY.

ATTENTION

In the search, still, slow-motion or frame-by-frame playback mode,

- the picture will be distorted.
- the noise bars will appear.

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Manual Tracking

Your video recorder is equipped with automatic tracking control. During playback, you can override this and adjust the tracking manually by pressing the TV PROG buttons.







Press //// on the remote to engage manual tracking.

ADJUST TRACKING MANUALLY

Press TV PROG + or - to adjust tracking.

RETURN TO AUTOMATIC TRACKING

Press //// on the remote to re-engage automatic tracking.

NOTE:

When a new tape is inserted, the recorder enters the automatic tracking mode automatically.

Instant ReView

Simply by pressing a single button, the recorder power comes on, rewinds, and begins playback of the last timer-recorded programme. If you have several programmes recorded, you can easily access any of them.

NOTE:

Before starting, make sure that the recorder is off and that the Timer mode is disengaged.

ACTIVATE INSTANT **REVIEW**

Press **REVIEW**. The recorder power comes on and the recorder searches for the index code indicating the start of the last timer-recorded programme. Once it's found, playback begins automatically.

• The front display panel tells you how many programmes have been timer-recorded. If you have, for example, 3 programmes, "REVIEW" and "3" appear and blink. To watch the first of the 3 programmes, press REVIEW three times. The recorder searches and begins playback automatically. You can access a programme as far as 9 index codes away from the current tape position.

NOTE:

Instant ReView is not possible while the recorder is in the Timer mode.

Index Search

Your recorder automatically marks index codes at the beginning of each recording. This function gives you quick access to any one of 9 index codes in either direction.



NOTE:

Before starting, make sure the recorder is in the Stop mode.

ACTIVATE INDEX SEARCH

Press \triangleleft or \triangleright ($\bowtie \triangleleft$ or $\triangleright \bowtie$). " $\bowtie \triangleleft 1$ " or " $\triangleright \triangleright \bowtie 1$ " is displayed on screen and search begins in the corresponding direction.

 To access index codes 2 through 9, press ⊲ or ⊳ repeatedly until the correct index number is displayed.
 Ex.: To locate the beginning of B from the current position, press⊲ twice.

To locate the beginning of D from the current position, press \triangleright once.

Current position



Index number

• When the specified index code is located, playback begins automatically.

Skip Search

SKIP OVER UNWANTED SECTIONS

Press **30 SEC** 1 to 4 times during playback. Each press initiates a 30-second period of fast-motion playback. Normal playback resumes automatically.

NOTE:

To return to normal playback during a Skip Search, press PLAY.

Next Function Memory

You can set your recorder's power to go off automatically after the tape is fully rewound. Before starting, make sure the recorder is in the Stop mode.

For Automatic Power Off After Tape Rewind . . .

... press **REW**, then press U/I within 2 seconds.

Repeat Playback

Your video recorder can automatically play back the whole tape 50 times repeatedly.



START PLAYBACK Press PLAY.

ACTIVATE REPEAT PLAYBACK

Press PLAY and hold for over 5 seconds, then release.

- The Play indicator (>>) on the display panel blinks slowly.
- The tape plays 50 times automatically, and then stops.

STOP PLAYBACK

Press **STOP** at any time to stop playback.

NOTE:

Pressing PLAY, REW, FF or PAUSE also stops Repeat Playback.

RECORDING

Basic Recording

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Turn on the TV and select the VIDEO channel (or AV mode).



TV signals being received by the recorder's built-in tuner can be recorded onto a video tape. You can "capture" a TV programme using your video recorder.



Insert a cassette with the record safety tab intact.

• The counter is reset to 0:00:00 and the recorder power comes on automatically.

CHOOSE A PROGRAMME

Press **TV PROG +/**– or the **NUMBER** keys to select the channel you wish to record.

START RECORDING

Press and hold **RECORD** and press **PLAY** on the remote control, or press **RECORD** on the recorder.

B.E.S.T. takes place at the beginning of the first recording after inserting the cassette (CP pg. 14).

PAUSE/RESUME RECORDING

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Press PAUSE. Press PLAY to resume recording.

STOP RECORDING

Press **STOP** on the remote control or **STOP/EJECT** on the recorder. Then press **STOP/EJECT** to remove the cassette.

Recording Resume Function

If there is a power outage during recording (or Instant Timer Recording or timer recording), the recording will resume automatically when power is restored to the recorder unless the recorder's memory backup has expired.

Accidental erasure prevention

• To prevent accidental recording on a recorded cassette, remove its safety tab. To record on it later, cover the hole with adhesive tape.



Recording Features



Instant Timer Recording (ITR)

This easy method lets you record for from 30 minutes to 6 hours (selectable in 30-min. increments), and shuts the recorder off after recording is finished.

START RECORDING

Press RECORD on the recorder.

ENGAGE ITR MODE

Press **RECORD** again. "()" blinks and 0:30 appears on the front display panel.

SET RECORDING DURATION

If you want to record for more than 30 minutes, press **RECORD** to extend the time. Each press extends recording time by 30 minutes.

NOTES:

- You can only perform ITR using the **RECORD** button on the recorder's front panel.
- After you set the ITR time, the counter display appears.
- To check the remaining time, press **RECORD** once during recording and the remaining time will be displayed for about 5 seconds. Be careful not to press **RECORD** again within these 5 seconds, or you will round the recording time up to the next 30 minute increment.

Record One Programme While Watching Another

SELECT CHANNEL TO WATCH

Once recording is in progress, all you need to do is to set the channel controls on the TV for the station you wish to view.

• The programme selected with the TV's channel controls appears on the TV screen while the one selected with the recorder's **TV PROG** buttons is recorded on the tape.

Elapsed Recording Time Indication

You can check the exact time of a recording.



SET COUNTER DISPLAY

Press **DISPLAY** (or – –:– –) until a counter reading appears on the dispay panel.

RESET COUNTER

Press **COUNTER RESET** or **0000** before starting recording or playback.

• The counter is reset to "0:00:00" and shows the exact elapsed time as the tape runs.

Tape Remaining Time

DISPLAY REMAINING TIME

Press **DISPLAY** (or ----) until the time remaining on the tape appears.

- The display panel shows the tape remaining time with "
- By pressing the **DISPLAY** (or -:) button, you can change the display to show the counter reading, channel position*, clock time or tape remaining time. * *channel position is not displayed during playback.*

NOTE:

Depending on the type of tape used, there may be times when the tape remaining time reading may not appear right away, or is not correct. "--:--" may sometimes appear, or the display may blink on occasion.

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RECORDING (cont.)

B.E.S.T. Picture System

Turn on the TV and select the VIDEO channel (or AV mode).



The B.E.S.T. (Biconditional Equalised Signal Tracking) system checks the condition of the tape in use during recording and playback, and compensates to provide the highest-possible recording and playback pictures. The default setting for both recording and playback is "ON".

Preparation



Recording



START RECORDING

Press and hold **RECORD** and press **PLAY** on the remote, or press **RECORD** on the recorder.

DURING B.E.S.T.



• The recorder spends approximately 7 seconds assessing the condition of the tape, then begins recording.

NOTES:

- The B.E.S.T. system works only after a tape has been inserted and the Record mode is first initiated. It does not work during recording.
- In the case of timer recording, the B.E.S.T. system works before recording is initiated.
- Once the cassette is ejected, the B.E.S.T. data is cancelled. The next time the cassette is used for recording, B.E.S.T. is reperformed.
- Pressing the recorder's RECORD button while "BEST" is displayed does not start Instant Timer Recording (IF) pg. 13).

ATTENTION

Since the B.E.S.T. system works before recording actually starts, there is a delay of approximately 7 seconds after **RECORD** and **PLAY** on the remote are pressed, or **RECORD** on the recorder is pressed. To make sure you record the desired scene or programme in its entirety, first perform the following steps:

- 1) Press and hold **PAUSE** and press **RECORD** to engage the RECORD PAUSE mode.
 - The recorder then automatically checks the condition of the tape and, after approximately 7 seconds, reenters RECORD PAUSE.
- 2) Press PLAY to start recording.
 - If you want to bypass the B.E.S.T. system and begin recording immediately, set "B.E.S.T." to "OFF" in step 4 on page 14.

Playback

The recorder assesses the quality of the tape once you initiate playback.



appears blinking on the recorder's display panel.

NOTES:

- When watching a tape recorded with "B.E.S.T." set to "ON", it is recommended that you leave B.E.S.T. on during playback as well.
- When watching a rental tape or one recorded on another video recorder, or when using this recorder as the player for editing, set B.E.S.T. to your preference by performing steps 1 through 5 on page 14.
- "BEST" only appears at the beginning of automatic tracking. Even though it doesn't appear after that, the B.E.S.T. function is operative.

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TIMER RECORDING



- Insert a cassette with the safety tab in place. The recorder will come on automatically.
- Turn on the TV and select the VIDEO channel (or AV mode).





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	ENTER CHANNEL POSITION Press TV PROG +/
5	$\left(\begin{array}{c} -P1 - \\ START & STOP \\ 21:00 \rightarrow 22:00 \end{array}\right)$
	DATE TV PROG 25.12 1
	[+/-] → ©K [PROG] : EXIT
	RETURN TO NORMAL SCREEN
6	After confirming all information is correct, press PROG or OK . "PROGRAM COMPLETED" appears on the screen for about 5 seconds, then normal screen appears.
	• Repeat steps 1 – 6 for each additional programme.

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ENGAGE RECORDER'S TIMER MODE

Press ② or **TIMER**. The recorder turns off automatically and ② appears on the display panel.

• To disengage the timer, press ② or **TIMER** again.

To Timer-Record Weekly Or Daily Serials anytime during steps 1 through 6, press WEEKLY (NUMBER

key "9") for weekly serials or DAILY (NUMBER key "8") for daily serials (Monday - Friday). Either "WEEKLY" or "DAILY" appears on the screen. Pressing the button again makes the corresponding indication disappear.

NOTE:

You can programme this recorder to timer-record as many as 8 programmes. If you try to programme the recorder to record a ninth, "PROGRAM FULL" appears on screen and "FULL" appears on the front display panel. To record the extra programme, you must first cancel any unnecessary programmes (pg. 18).

Check, Cancel And Replace Programmes



	<u> </u>
,	DISENGAGE TIMER MODE Press @ or TIMER, then press U/].
	ACCESS PROGRAM CHECK SCREEN/DISPLAY
	Press ② ?. PR START STOP CH DATE 1 8:00 10:00 3 24.12 2 10:00 10:45 2 25.12 3 11:30 13:00 1 25.12 4 5 6 7 8
	[@?] : NEXT
	P ! P8
	ACCESS PROGRAM SCREEN/ DISPLAY
	Press \textcircled{O} ? again to check more information. Each time you press \textcircled{O} ?, the next programme's information appears.
	DATE TV PROG 24.12 3
	[@?] : NEXT
	► 8:00 p i
	• The display panel shows the programme start time. Pressing OK changes the display to the programme stop time, then the date and the channel position.
C	ancel or replace a programme

CANCEL OR REPLACE A PROGRAMME

Press X to cancel a programme. To replace a programme, press the appropriate button: **START**+/-, **STOP**+/-, **DATE**+/-, **TV PROG**+/-.

RETURN TO NORMAL SCREEN/ DISPLAY

Press ② ? as many times as necessary. If there are still some programmes remaining, go on to step 6.

RETURN TO TIMER MODE Press @ or TIMER.

NOTE:

You can also check the programmes on the display panel even if the recorder's power is off or the recorder is in the Timer mode; however, it is not possible to cancel or replace the programmes.

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Auto Timer

When the Auto Timer is set to ON the timer is automatically engaged when the recorder power is turned off and automatically disengaged when the recorder is powered back on.



For safety, when Auto timer is set to "OFF", all other recorder functions are disabled while the Timer mode is engaged. To disengage the timer, press O or **TIMER**.



EDITING

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Edit To Or From Another Video Recorder



You can use your video recorder as the source player or the recording deck.

MAKE CONNECTIONS

Connect the player's 21-pin SCART (AV) connector to the recorder's 21-pin SCART (AV) connector as illustrated below.

SET RECORDING DECK'S INPUT MODE

Set to AUX. With this video recorder, press **NUMBER** key "0" and/or **TV PROG** so that "L-1" appears on the display panel.

START SOURCE PLAYER

Engage its Play mode.

START RECORDING DECK

Engage its Record mode.

NOTES:

- All necessary cables can be obtained from your dealer.
- When you use this recorder as the player for editing, be sure to set "O.S.D." to "OFF" before starting (CF pg. 6).



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Edit From A Camcorder



You can use a camcorder as the source player and your video recorder as the recorder.



Connect the camcorder's AUDIO/VIDEO OUT connectors to the recorder's AV1 IN/OUT connector via the cable adapter.

SET RECORDER'S INPUT MODE



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Press NUMBER key "0" and/or TV PROG so that "L-1" appears on the display panel.

START CAMCORDER

Engage its Play mode.

START RECORDER

Engage its Record mode.



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Tuner Set

Turn on the TV and select the VIDEO channel (or AV mode).



IMPORTANT

Perform the following steps only if ----

- Auto Channel Set has not been set correctly by Auto Set Up function (IF pg. 5).
- you have moved to a different area or if a new station starts broadcasting in your area.

Your recorder needs to memorise all necessary stations in channel positions in order to record TV programmes. Auto Channel Set automatically assigns all receivable stations in your area to call them up by using the **TV PROG** buttons without going through any vacant channel.

Auto Channel Set





VIEW CONFIRMATION SCREEN

After "SCAN COMPLETED" is displayed on the screen for about 5 seconds, the Confirmation screen looking like the one to the right appears. The stations your recorder located appear on a Confirmation screen — channel positions (PR) and channels (CH).

 √ PR	CH	ID//	PR	CH	ID `
01	25		07	C33	
102	C08	>	08	C26	
03	10		09	55	
04	C65		10	C24	
05	C31		11	C23	
06	C32		12	C25	
	· [X] :	: EDIT DELETE : EXIT			
		C: Ca	blo		
		C. Ca	ne		

The blueback screen and the program currently being broadcast by the blinking station appear alternately for 8 seconds each.

To view the next page, use the $\triangle \nabla$ button on the remote control.

RETURN TO NORMAL SCREEN

Press MENU.

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• Using the Confirmation screen, you can skip or add channel positions, enter station names and perform other operations. Refer to pages 24 – 26 for the procedures.

IMPORTANT

Your video recorder memorizes all detected stations even if reception of some of them is poor. In these cases picture quality may be poor. To delete those stations with an unacceptable picture a "Delete A Channel" on page 25.

NOTES:

- Fine tuning is performed automatically during Auto Channel Set. If you want to perform it manually, refer to page 25.
- If you perform Auto Channel Set when the aerial cable is not connected properly, "SCAN COMPLETED -NO SIGNAL-" appears on the screen in step 4. When this happens, make sure of the aerial connection and press OK; Auto Channel Set will take place again.

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Storing Channels Manually

Store channels that were not stored during Auto Set Up (IF pg. 5) or Auto Channel Set (Er pg. 22).

ACCESS MAIN MENU

Press MENU.

ACCESS CONFIRMATION **SCREEN**

Press $\Delta \nabla$ to place the pointer next to "MANUAL CH SET", then press **OK** or ▷. The Confirmation screen appears.

SELECT POSITION

Press $\Delta \nabla$ until an open position in which you want to store a channel begins blinking, then press **OK**. The Manual Channel Set screen appears.

PR	CH	ID 	PR	CH	ID
01	25		07	C33	
02	CDB		08	C26	
03	10		09	55	
04	C65		10	C24	

(Ex.) To store in position 12.



The blueback screen and the programme currently being broadcast by the selected channel appear alternately for 8 seconds each.

SUBSIDIARY SETTINGS (cont



12 CHO1 +/-	
$[\blacktriangle \lor]$: SELECT $[\triangleleft \lor]$: CURSOR \longleftrightarrow $\bigcirc K$: OK [MENU] : EXIT	

The blueback screen and the programme currently being broadcast by the selected channel appear alternately for 8 seconds each

INPUT CHANNEL

Press the NUMBER keys to input the channel number you want to store.

- Input "0" before any single number entries.
- To input the registered station name (ID IF pg. 27), press ▷ until "----" (ID setting) begins blinking, then press $\Delta \nabla$.
- For fine tuning adjustment, press ▷ until "+/-" begins blinking, then press $\Delta \nabla$. While tuning, "+" or "appears.

ENTER NEW CHANNEL INFORMATION

Press **OK** and the Confirmation screen appears.

• Repeat steps 3 through 6 as necessary.

CONFIRMATI

Press MENU.

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- To change positions, see "Change Station Channel Position" (C pg. 25).
- If you wish to set station names other than the ones registered in your recorder, 🖙 "Set Stations (B)" on page 26.

Delete A Channel

Perform steps 1 and 2 of "Storing Channels Manually" on page 24 to access the Confirmation screen before continuing.

SELECT ITEM

Press $\Delta \nabla$ until the item you want to delete begins blinking.

DELETE CHANNEL

Press X.

Press MENU.

- The item directly beneath the cancelled one moves up one line.
- Repeat steps 1 and 2 as necessary.

CLOSE CONFIRMATION SCREEN

Change Station Channel Position

Perform steps 1 and 2 of "Storing Channels Manually" on page 24 to access the Confirmation screen before continuing.

SELECT ITEM

Press $\Delta \nabla$ until the item you want to move begins blinking. Then press OK and the station name (ID) and its channel (CH) number begin blinking.

SELECT NEW POSITION

Press $\Delta \nabla$ to move the station to the new channel position, then press OK.

Example: If you moved the station in position 4 to position 2, the stations originally in positions 2 and 3 each move down one space.



• Repeat steps 1 and 2 as necessary.

CLOSE CONFIRMATION SCREEN Press MENU.

Fine-Tuning Channels Already Stored

Perform steps 1 and 2 of "Storing Channels Manually" on page 24 to access the Confirmation screen before continuing.

SELECT CHANNEL TO **FINE-TUNE**



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Press $\Delta \nabla$ until the channel you want to tune begins blinking.

ACCESS MANUAL CHANNEL SET SCREEN

Press OK twice. The Manual Channel Set screen appears.

PERFORM TUNING

Press \triangleright until "+/-" begins blinking, then press $\triangle \nabla$ until the picture is its clearest. Then press OK.

• The Confirmation screen appears. • Repeat steps 1 through 3 as necessary.

CLOSE CONFIRMATION SCREEN

Press MENU.



26_{EN} Set Stations (A)

Set station names that are registered in your recorder.

Perform steps 1 and 2 of "Storing Channels Manually" on page 24 to access the Confirmation screen before continuing.

SELECT ITEM Press $\Delta \nabla$ until the item you want begins blinking.

ACCESS MANUAL CHANNEL SET SCREEN

Press OK twice.

SELECT NEW STATION

Press ⊳ until the station name (ID) begins blinking, then press $\Delta \nabla$ until the new station's name (ID) you want to store begins blinking.

Registered station names (🖙 pg. 27) appear as you press $\Delta \nabla$.

OK [MENU] : EXIT

SWITCH STATIONS

Press OK.

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 The Confirmation screen appears. Repeat steps 1 through 4 as necessary.

LOSE CONFIRMATION

SCREEN

Press MENU.

SUBSIDIARY SETTINGS (cont.

Set Stations (B)

Set station names other than the ones registered in your recorder.

Perform steps 1 and 2 of "Storing Channels Manually" on page 24 to access the Confirmation screen and then perform step 1 and 2 of "Set Stations (A)" on the left before continuing.



TV Station And ID List

3SAT ADLT ANT3 ARD	TV1000 3SAT ADULT	ORF2 ORF3	ORF2
3SAT ADLT ANT3 ARD	3SAT ADULT		
ADLT ANT3 ARD	ADULT		ORF3
ANT3 ARD		OWL3	OWL3
ARD	ANTENA3	PREM	PREMIERE
	ARD	PRO7	PRO7
I / MNTE	ARTE	RAI1	RAII
	BBC GROUP	RAI2	RAI2
	BBC1	RAI3	RAI3
BBC2	BBC2	RET4	RETE4
BR3	BAYERN3	21	TELE21
C+	CANAL PLUS	RTBF	RTBF1 or 2
C1	PORTUGUSES	RTL	RTL
CAN5	CANALE5	RTL2	RTL2
	CHANNEL4	RTL4	RTL4
CH5	CHANNEL5	RTL5	RTL5
	CHILD	RTP	RTP
	CINEMA	S4	SCHWEIZ4
	TELECLUB	SAT1	SAT1
	CMT	SBS	SBS
	CNN	SHOW	SHOW
	ANDALUCIA	SIC	SOCIEDADE
	DISCOVERY	SKY	SKY CHANNEL
	DR TV	SKYN	SKY NEWS
	DRS	SPRT	SPORT
	DSF	SRTL	SUPER RTL
	ETB1	STAR	STAR-TV
	ETB2	SVT1	SVT1
	EURONEWS	SVT2	SVT2
	EUROSPORTS	SW3	SUEDWEST3
	FEMMAN	TCC	TCC
	FILM FILMNET	TELE	TELE
	FILMINE I France2	TEL5 TF1	TELE5 TF1
	France2 France3	TM3	TM3
	GALAVISION	TMC	TELEMONTECARLO
	HESSEN3	TNT	TNT INT
	INFO-KANAL	TRT	TRT INT
	ITALIA1	TSI	TSI
	ITALIA7	TSR	TSR
	ITV	TV1	BRTN TV1
	ISTV	TV2	BRTN TV2
	KA2	TV3	TV3
	KABEL1	TV4	TV4
	KANAL2	TV5	TV5
LOCA	LOCAL	TV6	TV6
	M6	TVE1	TVE1
	MBR	TVE2	TVE2
	MCM	TVG	TV GALICIA
	MDR	TVI	TV INDEPENDENT
	MOVIE	TVN	TV NORGE
	MTV	VCR	VIDEO
	MTV3	VERO	VERONICA
	NORD3	VH-1	VH-1
N-TV	N-TV	VIVA	VIVA
	NBC SUPER	VIV2	VIVA2
NDR3	NDR3		VIDEO MUSIC
	NED1	VOX VT4	VOX
	NED2	VT4	VT4
NED3 NEWS	NED3	VTM WDR1	VTM West1
	NICKELODEON	WDR3	West3
NRK NRK2	NRK NRK2	YLE1 YLE2	YLE1 YLE2
ODE	ODEON	ZDF	ZDF
ORF1	ORF1	ZDF	ZTV
		Z I V	

* The "ID" abbreviation is what is shown on-screen in lieu of the station name. The "ID" abbreviation is listed in the Confirmation screen and is displayed on the TV screen when the recorder is tuned to a different station.



SUBSIDIARY SETTINGS (cont.)

Clock Set

Turn on the TV and select the VIDEO channel (or AV mode).



IMPORTANT

Perform the following steps only if —

- the recorder's memory backup has expired.

you want to adjust the time lag of the recorder's built-in clock.

TURN THE RECORDER ON Press 心儿. ACCESS MAIN MENU **SCREEN** Press MENU. 2 ACCESS CLOCK SET SCRFFN Place the pointer next to "CLOCK SET" by pressing $\Delta \nabla$, 3 then press **OK** or \triangleright . The Clock Set screen appears. CLOCK SET MAIN MENU TIME YEAR 98 MODE SET AUTO CH SET DATE 0: 00 01.01 MANUAL CH SET $[\blacktriangle \lor] \rightarrow \bigcirc \land$ [MENU] : EXIT [▲▼] → OK [MENU] : EXIT SET DATE AND TIME Press $\Delta \nabla$ to set the time, then press **OK** or \triangleright . The Δ "date" display begins blinking. Repeat the same procedure to set the date and year. • When you set the time, press and hold riangleq to change the time by 30 minutes. • When you set the date, press and hold $\Delta \nabla$ to change the date by 15 days. START CLOCK OPERATION Press MENU.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

PLAYBACK

Q. What happens if the end of the tape is reached during playback or search?A. The tape is automatically rewound to the beginning.	Q. Wh of t the doe
Q. Can the video recorder indefinitely remain in the still mode?	A. This resu
A. No. It stops automatically after 5 minutes to protect the heads.	Q. Car Rec
Q. During search, slow, still and frame-by-frame playback, I can't hear any audio. What's the problem?	A. No. mat
A. This is normal.	Q. Wh A. The
Q. When returning from multi-speed search to normal playback, the picture is disturbed. Should I be concerned about this?	beg TIMER
A. No, it is normal.	. "୦"
Q. Noise bars appear during multi-speed search. What's the problem?A. This is normal.	a pi A. No. proj
Q. Other than preventing further recording, what effect does removing the Record Safety tab have?A. It disables marking of index codes.	Q. Car or a A. You scre you
Q. Sometimes, during Index Search, the video recorder can't find the programme I want to see. Why not?A. There may be index codes too close together.	Q. Is it bro A. Yes,

RECORDING

 Q. When I pause and then resume a recording, the end of the recording before the pause is overlapped by the beginning of the continuation of recording. Why does this happen? A. This is normal. It reduces distortion at the pause and resume points.
 Q. Can the video recorder indefinitely remain in the Record-Pause mode? A. No. The video recorder goes to its Stop mode automatically after 5 minutes to protect the heads.
Q. What happens if the tape runs out during recording?A. The video recorder automatically rewinds it to the beginning.
TIMER RECORDING
Q. "O" and "O" remain lit on the display panel. Is there
 a problem? A. No. This is a normal condition for a timer recording in progress.
a problem? A. No. This is a normal condition for a timer recording in

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ATTENTION

This recorder contains microcomputers. External electronic noise or interference could cause malfunctioning. In such cases, switch the recorder off and unplug the mains power cord. Then plug it in again and turn the recorder on. Take out the cassette. After checking the cassette, operate the unit as usual.

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TROUBLESHOOTING

Before requesting service for a problem, use this chart and see if you can repair the trouble yourself. Small problems are often easily corrected, and this can save you the trouble of sending your video recorder off for repair.

POWER		
SYMPTOM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	CORRECTIVE ACTION
1. No power is applied to the recorder.	• The mains power cord is discon- nected.	Connect the mains power cord.
2. The clock is functioning properly, but the recorder cannot be powered.	 "⊕" is displayed on the display panel with Auto Timer set to "OFF". 	Press the O button to turn the "O" indicator off.
3. The remote control won't function.	• The batteries are discharged.	Replace the dead batteries with new ones.
TAPE TRANSPORT		
SYMPTOM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	CORRECTIVE ACTION
1. The tape does not run during recording.	• "DD" is displayed on the display panel.	Press PLAY to turn the "DD" indicator off.
2. The tape will not rewind or fast- forward.	• The tape is already fully rewound or fast-forwarded.	Check the cassette.
PLAYBACK		
SYMPTOM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	CORRECTIVE ACTION
 The playback picture does not appear while the tape is running. 	 If you're using the RF OUT connection the TV receiver's channel selector is not set to the VIDEO channel. the recorder's VIDEO channel has not been correctly set. If you're using the AV connection, the TV receiver is not set to the AV mode. 	If you are using the RF OUT connec- tion set the TV receiver to the VIDEO channel. (IF pg. 4) perform "Video Channel Set". (IF pg. 4) If you are using the AV connection, set the TV to its AV mode.
2. Noise appears during visual search.	• This is normal.	
3. Noise appears during normal playback.	• The automatic tracking mode is engaged.	Try manual tracking. (🖙 pg. 10)
 The playback picture is blurred or interrupted while TV broadcasts are clear. 	• The video heads may be dirty.	Consult your JVC dealer.
RECORDING		
SYMPTOM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	CORRECTIVE ACTION
1. Recording cannot be started.	• There is no cassette loaded, or the cassette loaded has had its Record Safety tab removed.	Insert a cassette, or using adhesive tape, reseal the slot where the tab was removed.
2. TV broadcasts cannot be recorded.	• "L-1" has been selected as the input mode.	Set to the desired channel.
3. Tape-to-tape editing is not possible.	 The source (another video recorder, camcorder) has not been properly connected. All necessary power switches have not been turned on. The input mode is not correct. 	Confirm that the source is properly connected. Confirm that all units' power switches are turned on. Set the input mode to "L-1".
 Camcorder recording is not possible. 	The camcorder has not been properly connected.The input mode is not correct.	Confirm that the camcorder is properly connected. Set the input mode to "L-1".

TIMER RECORDING		
SYMPTOM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	CORRECTIVE ACTION
1. Timer recording won't work.	 The clock and/or the timer have been set incorrectly. The timer is not engaged.	Re-perform the clock and/or timer settings. Press ② and confirm that "③" is displayed on the display panel.
2. Timer programming is not possible.	• Timer recording is in progress.	Timer programming can't be performed while a timer recording is in progress. Wait until it finishes.
3. "⊕" and "☞" on the display panel won't stop blinking.	• The timer is engaged but there's no cassette loaded.	Load a cassette with the Record Safety tab intact, or cover the hole using adhesive tape.
 The cassette is automatically ejected, and "℗" and "℗" on the display panel won't stop blinking. 	• The loaded cassette has had its Record Safety tab removed.	Remove the cassette and cover the hole with adhesive tape, or insert a cassette with the Record Safety tab intact.
 "O" blinks for 10 seconds and the Timer mode is disengaged. 	• O has been pressed when there are no programs in memory, or the timer record information has been programmed incorrectly.	Check the programmed data and re- program as necessary, then press ② again.
 The cassette is automatically ejected, the power shuts off and "O" and "OD" won't stop blinking. 	 The end of the tape was reached during timer recording. 	The programme may not have been recorded in its entirety. Next time make sure you have enough time on the tape to record the entire programme.
OTHER PROBLEMS		
SYMPTOM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	CORRECTIVE ACTION
 Whistling or howling is heard from the TV during camcorder record- ing. 	 The camcorder's microphone is too close to the TV. The TV's volume is too high.	Position the camcorder so its microphone is away from the TV. Turn the TV's volume down.
2. When scanning channels, some of them are skipped over.	 Those channels have been designated to be skipped. 	If you need the skipped channels, restore them (r pg. 24).
3. The channel cannot be changed.	• Recording is in progress.	Press PAUSE to pause the recording, change channels, then press PLAY to resume recording.
 Channel settings that were made manually seem to have changed or disappeared. 	 After the manual settings were made, Auto Channel Set was performed. 	Perform manual setting again.
5. No channels are stored in the recorder's memory.	• The TV aerial cable was not connected to the recorder when Auto Set Up was performed.	Connect the TV aerial cable to the recorder properly and turn off the recorder power once, then turn the recorder power back on again. The recorder will try Auto Set Up again (IFF pg. 5).

DECODDING

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- ① STANDBY/ON 心/I Button ☞ pg. 5
- **2** Cassette Loading Slot
- DISPLAY Button IF pg. 13
 Rewind [REW] Button IF pg. 8, 9
- 6 PLAY Button ☞ pg. 8
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- OUNTER RESET Button 🖙 pg. 13

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REAR VIEW



Mains Power Cord ☞ pg. 3
 ANT. IN Connector ☞ pg. 3

3 AV1 IN/OUT Connector ☞ pg. 3, 20
4 RF OUT Connector ☞ pg. 3

DISPLAY PANEL



1 B.E.S.T. Picture System Display 🖙 pg. 14 **2** Symbolic Mode Indicators

PLAY: FF/REW VARIABLE Shuttle Search:		STILL: SLOW:	
		RECORD:	\bigcirc
		RECORD PAUSE:	

3 Programme Time Indicators 🖙 pg. 16

- "Timer" Indicator 🖙 pg. 17
- ⑤ Tape Remaining Time Indicator ☞ pg. 13
- G Channel/Clock Display
 ⑦ Instant REVIEW Indicator ☞ pg. 10
- Cassette Loaded" Mark
- Counter/Remain Display
- Mode Display (L-1)

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REMOTE CONTROL



Buttons with a small dot on the left side of the name can also be used to operate your JVC TV while holding down the **TV** button. \square "Operating JVC TVs" below.

This remote control transmits A code signals only; it is not applicable to B code signals.

- 1 TV Button (See below)
- 2 TV/VCR Button (See below)
- 3 REVIEW Button ☞ pg. 10
- I NUMBER Keys ☞ pg. 12
- **5** VPS/PDC Button (No Function with this recorder)
- 6 X Button ☞ pg. 18 0000 Button ☞ pg. 13
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- **8** START +/− Button 🖙 pg. 16
- **9** PROG Button □ pg. 16
- 🛈 🕘 **?** Button 🖙 pg. 18
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- 🚯 Stop Button 🖙 pg. 8
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- (i) $\triangleleft \triangleright$ Button \square pg. 9, 10
 - TV \bigtriangleup +/-Button (See below)

How To Use

The remote control can operate most of your video recorder's functions, as well as basic functions of JVC TV sets. (See below.)

- Point the remote control toward the sensor window.
- The maximum operating distance of the remote control is about 8 m.

Operating JVC TVs

To operate your TV, while holding down TV, press the corresponding button: **STANDBY/ON** U/I, **TV/VCR**, **TV PROG** +/-, **TV** \swarrow +/-, U/K (TV Muting).

NOTES:

- When inserting the batteries, be sure to insert in the correct directions as indicated under the battery cover.
- Depending on the type of JVC TV, there may be cases where some or all functions cannot be operated using the remote control.
- If the remote control doesn't work properly, remove its batteries, wait a short time, replace the batteries and then try again.

SPECIFICATIONS

GENERAL

Power requirement	: AC 220 – 240 V∼, 50/60 Hz
Power consumption	
Power on	: 18 W
Power off	: 4 W
Temperature	
Operating	: 5°C to 40°C
Storage	: -20°C to 60°C
Operating position	: Horizontal only
Dimensions (WxHxD)	: 400 x 94 x 277 mm
Weight	: 3.3 kg
Format	: VHS PAL standard
Maximum recording	
time	: 240 min. with E-240 video
	cassette
VIDEO/AUDIO	
Signal system	: PAL-type colour signal and
- ·	CCIR monochrome
	signal,625 lines
	50 fields
Recording system	: Rotary two-head helical scan
Ξ,	system
Signal-to-noise ratio	: 45 dB

: 250 lines

: 70 Hz to 10,000 Hz

: 21-pin SCART connector: IN/OUT x 1

TUNER/TIMER

TV channel storage	
capacity	: 99 positions
	(+AUX position)
Tuning system	: Frequency synthesized tuner
Channel coverage	: VHF 47 - 89/104 - 300/
	302 – 470MHz
	UHF 470 – 862MHz
Aerial output	: UHF channels 28 – 60
·	(Adjustable)
Memory backup time	: Approx. 10 min.
ACCESSORIES	
Provided accessories	: RF cable,

Infrared remote control unit, "R6" battery x 2

E.& O.E. Design and specifications subject to change without notice.

Signal-to-noise ratio Horizontal resolution Frequency range Input/Output





