Safety and Operation Precautions must be read before using the unit.
Items included with this product

• **Q2 HD unit**

• **2 AA batteries**  
  (for testing the unit)

Note: Use alkaline batteries or rechargeable NiMH batteries.

• **SD card**

• **User Guide**  
  (this manual)

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**HandyShare software for video editing and sharing**

Install HandyShare on your computer to use it. Access the included SD card from the computer and double-click the HandyShare installer on it. If your computer does not already have QuickTime installed, follow the instructions that appear on your screen after starting HandyShare to install it.
Part functions

**Parts of the unit**

- Recording time or remaining recordable time for video or audio
- Current operation status
- Input volume level
- Mic angle setting
- Scene setting for video recording
- Image size/frame rate during video recording
- Sound quality when recording audio or video
- Lo-cut filter setting
- Recording level setting

The icon appears when an SD card is loaded in the unit (no icon if no SD card is loaded).

**Installing batteries**

Open the case while pressing here and then install the batteries.

Note: Use alkaline batteries or rechargeable NiMH batteries.
Part functions (continued)

- **Start and stop recording video and audio.** Confirm selections.

- **Sound from the camera side of the unit** can be recorded in mono or in stereo with a maximum width of 150°.

- **View video and information about operation.**

- **Play and pause recorded video and audio.**

- **Open various setting menus.**

- **Select items and adjust the volume.**

- **Listen to startup and shutdown sounds and recorded audio.**

- **Start and stop recording video and audio. Confirm selections.**
Part functions

- Set the mic recording level.
- Output sound to headphones or other external equipment.
- Output digital video and audio to an HDMI TV or other compatible device.
- Delete recorded video and audio.
- Insert an SD, SDHC or SDXC card into this slot.
- Attach a strap to help prevent accidental dropping.
- Connect to a computer to power the recorder and use it as a card reader, USB mic or web camera.
- Connect to an iPad to use as a USB mic.
- A ZOOM AD-17 AC adapter (sold separately) can also be connected here.
Setting the date & time

The date and time are added to recorded video and audio files, so set it accurately before recording.

1. Press \( \text{MENU} \) to open the Main Menu.
2. Use \( \text{A} \) to select \( \text{SETTING} \) and press \( \text{\textcircled{O}} \).
3. Use \( \text{A} \) to select \( \text{Set Date} \) and press \( \text{\textcircled{O}} \).
4. Use \( \text{A} \) to set the current date and time.
5. After completing the setting, press \( \text{\textcircled{M}} \).

Setting the battery type

Set the battery type so that the amount of remaining battery life can be shown accurately.

1. Press \( \text{MENU} \) to open the Main Menu.
2. Use \( \text{A} \) to select \( \text{SETTING} \) and press \( \text{\textcircled{O}} \).
3. Use \( \text{A} \) to select \( \text{Battery} \) and press \( \text{\textcircled{O}} \).
4. Use \( \text{A} \) to set the battery type and press \( \text{\textcircled{O}} \).
5. After completing the setting, press \( \text{\textcircled{M}} \).

Note: Use alkaline batteries or rechargeable NiMH batteries.
Formatting SD cards

You must format SD cards in the **HD** to make them usable with the recorder.

Note: Formatting a card will permanently erase all data on it.

1. Press **MENU** to open the Main Menu.
2. Use **▲▼◄►** to select **SETTING** and press **确定**.
3. Use **▲▼** to select **SD Format** and press **确定**.
4. Use **◄►** to select “**Yes**” to format or “**No**” to cancel and press **确定**.
   - Select “**Yes**” to start formatting.
   - Select “**No**” to return to the **SETTING** menu.
5. After formatting completes, “**Done**” appears on screen and the **SETTING** menu reopens.

**NOTE**

If the SD card’s write-protection switch is ON, the card cannot be formatted.
Reducing noise

Turn the low-cut filter function on to reduce wind sounds and other noise.

1. Press \( \text{MENU} \) to open the Main Menu.
2. Use \( \text{INPUT} \) to select and press \( \text{MAIN} \).
3. Use \( \text{INPUT} \) to select Lo Cut and press \( \text{MAIN} \).
4. Use \( \text{INPUT} \) to select On or Off and press \( \text{MAIN} \).
5. After completing the setting, press \( \text{MAIN} \).

**NOTE**

Use the windscreen included in the APQ-2HD accessory package to further reduce noise.

Turning sound monitoring on or off

Turn this on to listen to the sound being recorded through the line/headphones and HDMI outputs.

1. Press \( \text{MENU} \) to open the Main Menu.
2. Use \( \text{INPUT} \) to select and press \( \text{MAIN} \).
3. Use \( \text{INPUT} \) to select Sound Monitor and press \( \text{MAIN} \).
4. Use \( \text{INPUT} \) to select On or Off and press \( \text{MAIN} \).
5. After completing the setting, press \( \text{MAIN} \).
Adjusting the recording level

By changing the recording level gain, you can record anything from quiet sounds to loud rock shows at the optimal level. You can set the gain manually or let the recorder set it automatically.

- Use the MIIC GAIN dial to adjust the mic sensitivity to suit the recording conditions.

■ Using the Auto Gain setting

1. Press to open the Main Menu.
2. Use to select and press .
3. Use to select Auto Gain and press .
4. Use to set the mic sensitivity and press .
   - Off: Use the MIC GAIN dial to adjust manually.
   - Concert: Use for band performances, concerts and other loud situations.
   - Solo: Use for solo performances and other quiet situations.
   - Meeting: Use for meetings and other field recordings.
5. After completing the setting, press .
Video scene setting

You can set the camera light sensitivity to suit the video recording conditions. This allows the unit to record video optimally even in dark places and on stages with bright lights.

1. Press to open the Main Menu.
2. Use to select and press .
3. Use to set the mode and press .
   - Auto
     Adjusts to lighting conditions automatically.
   - Concert lighting
     Best for concerts and other situations with bright lights.
   - Night
     Best for nighttime and other dark situations.
4. After completing the setting, press .
Setting the image quality

You can set the resolution and frame rate used for recording. The amount of available recording time decreases as the image quality is increased.

1. Press ᐅ to open the Main Menu.
2. Use ᐅ to select VIDEO and press ●.
3. Use ᐅ to select the video quality and frame rate and press ●.
4. After completing the setting, press ●.

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Setting the sound quality

You can set the sound quality to use for recording video and audio. The amount of available recording time decreases as the sound quality is increased.

1. Press \( \text{MENU} \) to open the Main Menu.
2. Use \( \uparrow \downarrow \leftarrow \rightarrow \) to select \( \text{SOUND} \) and press \( \text{OK} \).
3. Use \( \uparrow \downarrow \) to set the audio quality and press \( \text{OK} \).
4. After completing the setting, press \( \text{MENU} \).

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Setting the mic angle

You can set the stereo width recorded by the built-in stereo mic.

1. Press \( \text{MENU} \) to open the Main Menu.
2. Use \( \text{\textdownarrow, \textuparrow, \textleftarrow, \textrightarrow} \) to select \( \text{MIC} \) and press \( \text{\textbullet} \).
3. Use \( \text{\textleftarrow, \textrightarrow} \) to set the mic angle.
   - \( \text{MONO} \)
     - Record in mono
     - 30°, 60°, 90°, 120°, 150°
     - Record using the set stereo width
4. After completing the setting, press \( \text{\textbullet} \).

NOTE

You can also use \( \text{\textleftarrow, \textrightarrow} \) to set the mic angle while recording or using the USB mic function.
Recording audio and video

From the main operation screen, you can start recording audio or video by pushing a single button.

1. After preparing to record audio or video, press ◎ to start recording.
   - To set whether to record video with audio or audio only, use CAMERA.
   - Use ◄ ► to zoom in and out, and use ◄ ► to adjust the monitoring volume.

2. After completing the setting, press ◎ to return to the main operation screen.

NOTE

If the transfer speed to the card is not fast enough during video/audio recording, “Low Speed Card!” appears on the screen and recording stops. To avoid this, we recommend using cards that are Class 4 or faster. Information about SD cards that can be used with this unit can be found at www.zoom.co.jp.
Playing recordings

You can play back recorded audio and video.

1. When the main operation screen is open, press  .
2. If you want to play a different file, use  to select it and press  .

Functions of other buttons

- Adjust the volume
  - Press and hold during playback to search backward/forward.
  - Press to pause during playback and restart when paused.

NOTE

- Only files that have been recorded with the Q2 HD can be played back on it.
- During video playback, press and hold  to show the video in landscape view. In this mode, use  to adjust the volume and  to search forward/backward. Press and hold  again to return to vertical display.
Deleting recordings

You can delete recorded video and audio files to increase the amount of open space on the media card.

1. Press 🔔 while the file that you want to delete is playing.
   - If you press this when on the main operation screen, the last recorded or played file will be selected for deletion.

2. When the confirmation screen opens, select “Yes” to delete the recording or “No” to cancel, and then press 🍂.
Deleting multiple recordings at the same time

1. Press [ ] when on the main operation screen or while playing to show the “Delete this file?” message.
   - Press [ ] again to open the file selection screen.

2. Use [ ] to select a recording that you want to delete and press [ ].

3. Repeat step 2 as many times as necessary to select more files to delete.
   - To delete all files on the card, press [ ].

4. Press [ ] when you are done selecting files.

5. When the confirmation screen opens, select “Yes” to delete the recordings or “No” to cancel, and then press [ ].
Editing recordings

Recorded video and audio files can be divided and trimmed.

1. Press \( \text{MENU} \) to open the Main Menu.
2. Use \( \text{ } \uparrow \downarrow \rightarrow \leftarrow \) to select \( \text{FILE} \) and press \( \text{ } \text{ } \). 
3. Thumbnails of the recorded files are shown. Use \( \text{ } \uparrow \downarrow \rightarrow \leftarrow \) to select the file that you want to edit and press \( \text{ } \text{ } \). 
4. The editing menu opens. Use \( \text{ } \uparrow \downarrow \) to select the item you want and press \( \text{ } \text{ } \). • See the following page for the editing options. 
5. After editing, a confirmation screen opens. Select “Yes” to execute the change or “No” to cancel, and then press \( \text{ } \text{ } \). 
6. When you are done editing, press \( \text{ } \text{ } \).
DIVIDE

- Change the file dividing point
- Play/pause
- Confirm the file dividing point

TRIM (partial deletion)

- Move trim points to set how much of the file beginning/end to delete
- Switch between beginning and end trim points
- Play/pause
- Confirm the trim points

INFORMATION (about the file)

- Return to the editing menu
Connecting external devices

This unit can be connected to various external devices as needed.

- **Connect to a computer (by USB) to use as a card reader, USB mic or Web camera**

  Use a USB cable to connect to a computer or iPad. See "Connecting by USB" on page 20.

- **Listen with headphones or audio equipment (LINE OUT connection)**

  Use this connector when you want to use headphones or an external audio device’s amplifier to listen. Turn monitoring on to listen through headphones to sound input during recording. See "Turning sound monitoring on or off" on page 7.

- **View on a TV (HDMI connection)**

  Use an HDMI cable to connect the unit to an HDMI TV to view recordings in high definition.

**NOTE**

Some TVs might not support the audio format and correct playback might not be possible.

**CAUTION**

The Q2 HD HDMI uses a Type C Mini connector. When using an HDMI cable (purchased separately), be sure to use a High Speed HDMI (category 2) cable that has a Type C Mini connector on one end to connect to the Q2 HD and a connector that matches your TV’s HDMI input on the other.
Connecting by USB

Connect with a computer using a USB cable to use this recorder as a card reader or USB mic. You can also use it as a web camera to stream video and audio. Connected to an iPad, you can use it as a USB mic.

NOTE

- When connected to a computer, power can be supplied by USB. The recorder will not turn on just by connecting the cable. Press \( \text{\textbullet} \) to turn it on.
- When connected to an iPad, power is not supplied by USB.

■ Using with a computer as a card reader or USB mic

1. Connect the recorder to a Windows PC or Macintosh with a USB cable.
2. Press \( \text{\textbullet} \) to turn it on.
   - The USB operation screen will appear.
3. To use as a card reader, use \( \text{\textbullet} \) to select the card icon and press \( \text{\textbullet} \). To use as a USB mic, select the mic icon and press \( \text{\textbullet} \).
   - The computer should recognize the recorder.
4. After you have finished using the recorder with the computer, disconnect it properly.
   - After use as a card reader, unmount the card reader volume from the computer before disconnecting the USB cable.
   - After use as a USB mic, just disconnect the USB cable.

NOTE

While using the recorder as a USB mic, you can use the INPUT functions and adjust the mic angle.
Using the recorder as a Web camera

1. Connect the recorder to a Windows PC or Macintosh with a USB cable.
2. Press  to turn it on.
   • The USB operation screen will appear.
3. Use  to select the video icon and press .
4. After the connects to the computer, you can use it as a web camera for video streaming and other applications.
5. When you have finished using the recorder with the computer, unmount the unit from the computer before disconnecting the USB cable.
**Connecting by USB**

**Delay setting**

When using the recorder as a web camera, if the streaming application does not have a lip synchronization function, use to set the audio delay so that it matches the timing of the video.

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**NOTE**

- The can simultaneously transmit video and audio of up to HD720p and 48kHz/16bit WAV quality.
- Computer playback cannot be output from the.
- A driver stored on the included SD card is necessary to use the unit as a web camera. (This driver can also be downloaded from www.zoom.co.jp.)
- When connected as a web camera, you can use the functions, set the scene type and adjust the mic angle. You cannot, however, change settings while streaming.
Using as a USB mic with an iPad

You can use this recorder as a USB mic by connecting it to an iPad using an Apple Camera Connection Kit.

1. Press \( \text{MENU} \) to open the Main Menu.
2. Use \( \uparrow \downarrow \leftarrow \rightarrow \) to select \( \text{USB} \) and press \( \text{○} \).
3. Use \( \leftarrow \rightarrow \) to select the mic icon and press \( \text{○} \).
4. Use the Apple Camera Connection Kit to connect the recorder with an iPad by USB cable.
   - The iPad should recognize the recorder.
5. When you have finished, disconnect the USB cable.

CAUTION

- If the \( \text{Q2 HD} \) does not have batteries or enough remaining battery charge, it cannot be used as a USB mic with an iPad.
- While using the recorder as a USB mic, you can use INPUT functions and adjust the mic angle.
Display brightness/power saving

You can adjust the brightness of the display and set the screen to turn off automatically to save power.

1. Press \( \text{button} \) to open the Main Menu.
2. Use \( \text{arrows} \) to select \( \text{SETTING} \) and press \( \text{button} \).
3. Use \( \text{arrows} \) to select \text{Backlight} and press \( \text{button} \).

**Adjusting the display brightness**

4. Use \( \text{arrows} \) to select \text{Brightness} and press \( \text{button} \).
5. Use \( \text{arrows} \) to set the brightness and press \( \text{button} \).

**Set the power saving mode**

4. Use \( \text{arrows} \) to select \text{Power Saving} and press \( \text{button} \).
5. Use \( \text{arrows} \) to select \text{On} or \text{Off} and press \( \text{button} \).

**NOTE**

- When on, the display will darken if no operation has occurred for 30 seconds.
- When using an AC adapter, this setting is ignored.
Setting HDMI video output

Set the HDMI video output format to suit the TV.

1. Press \( \text{MENU} \) to open the Main Menu.
2. Use \( \text{\textarrowup}, \text{\textarrowdown}, \text{\textarrowleft}, \text{\textarrowright} \) to select \( \text{SETTING} \) and press \( \circ \).
3. Use \( \text{\textarrowup}, \text{\textarrowdown} \) to select \( \text{HDMI Out} \) and press \( \circ \).
4. Use \( \text{\textarrowup}, \text{\textarrowdown} \) to select \( \text{NTSC} \) or \( \text{PAL} \) and press \( \circ \).
5. After completing the setting, press \( \text{MENU} \).

\( \text{NOTE} \)

NTSC is used in North America. Most other English-speaking regions use PAL.
Viewing information

You can check the firmware version and remaining recordable memory.

1. Press \( \text{MENU} \) to open the Main Menu.
2. Use \( \text{ } \) to select \( \text{SETTING} \) and press \( \text{ } \).
3. Use \( \text{ } \) to select \( \text{Information} \) and press \( \text{ } \).
4. Check the information.
5. When you are done checking, press \( \text{ } \).

Restoring default settings

You can reset the \( \text{Q2HD} \) settings, including the scene type and video and audio quality, to their factory defaults.

1. Press \( \text{ } \) to open the Main Menu.
2. Use \( \text{ } \) to select \( \text{SETTING} \) and press \( \text{ } \).
3. Use \( \text{ } \) to select \( \text{Reset} \) and press \( \text{ } \).
4. Use \( \text{ } \) to select “Yes” to reset or “No” to cancel, and press \( \text{ } \).
5. After resetting completes, “Done” appears and the \( \text{SETTING} \) menu reopens.
Upgrading the firmware version

Upgrade the firmware version when necessary.

**NOTE**

You can check the firmware version using the **Information** item in the **Setting** menu.

- The latest version of the firmware can be downloaded from www.zoom.co.jp.

1. Copy the file for upgrading the firmware to the root directory on the SD card.
2. Insert the SD card into the unit’s card slot.
3. While pressing and holding \(\circ\), press \(\circ\) until the unit starts and the **FIRMWARE UPDATE** screen opens.
4. If the version upgrade shown is the one desired, select “**Yes**” and press \(\circ\).
5. When “**Complete!**” appears after the version upgrade completes, press \(\circ\) to turn the power off.

**CAUTION**

Upgrading the firmware version is not possible if the remaining battery power is low.
Safety and Operation Precautions

Explanation of icons

- ! This must be done.
- ◦ This must not be done.

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- **Power and batteries**
  - ! Use only a ZOOM AD-17 AC adapter (sold separately).
  - ! Unplug the AC adapter when the unit will not be used for a long time.
  - ! When using batteries, insert two commercially-available AA-size alkaline batteries or NiMH rechargeable batteries with the correct orientations.
  - ! Remove batteries from the unit if they will not be used for a long time.

- **Handling**
  - ◦ Do not disassemble or modify this device.

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- **Operation environment**
  - ◦ Do not use in places that become extremely hot or cold.
  - ◦ Do not use near heating devices or other sources of heat.
  - ◦ Do not use in places that are extremely humid or exposed to water.
  - ◦ Do not use in sandy or dusty places.
  - ◦ Do not use in places with frequent vibrations.

- **Handling**
  - ◦ Do not apply excessive force to buttons or other moving parts.

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FCC regulation warning (for U.S.A.)
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- Increase the separation between the equipment and the receiver.
- Connect the equipment to 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.

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