

This quick guide explains basic function settings and how to shoot and playback images. You can take this guide with you for shooting. For detailed instructions, refer to the EOS 50D Instruction Manual.



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Quick Start Guide

1 **Insert the battery.**

2 **Attach the lens.**
When attaching an EF-S lens, align it with the white index on the camera. For other lenses, align it with the red index.

3 **Set the lens focus mode switch to <AF>.**

4 **Open the cover and insert a CF card.**

5 **Set the power switch to <ON>.**

6 **Set the Mode Dial to <□> (Full Auto).**
All the necessary camera settings will be set automatically.

7 **Focus the subject.**
Aim the AF point over the subject and press the shutter button halfway to autofocus.

8 **Take the picture.**
Press the shutter button completely to take the picture.

9 **View the image.**
The captured image will be displayed for about 2 sec. on the LCD monitor.

The ★ on the right of the function indicates that the function is available only in Creative Zone modes (P, Tv, Av, M, A-DEP).

Battery Life

Temperature	No Flash	50% Flash Use
At 23°C / 73°F	Approx. 800 shots	Approx. 640 shots

Image Playback

Index **Magnify** **Playback** **Erase** **INFO. Shooting information**

Preparation

Menu Operations

<MENU> button **LCD monitor** **<MAIN DIAL> Main Dial** **<SET> Quick Control Dial** **<SET> button**

- Press the <MENU> button to display the menu.
- Turn the <MAIN DIAL> to select the tab, then turn the <QUICK CONTROL DIAL> to select the desired item.
- Press <SET> to display the setting.
- After setting the item, press <SET>.

Basic Zone Modes

Quality	HL
Red-eye On/Off	Off
Beep	On

Creative Zone Modes

Quality	HL
Red-eye On/Off	Off
Beep	On
Shoot w/o card	On
Review time	2 sec.

Menu items **Menu settings**

Menu Settings

Shooting 1

Quality	HL
Red-eye On/Off	Off
Beep	On
Shoot w/o card	On
Review time	2 sec.
Peripheral illumin. correct.	

Playback 1

Protect images	
Rotate	
Erase images	
Print order	
Transfer order	

Set-up 1

Auto power off	1 min.
Auto rotate	On
Language	English
Format	
File numbering	Continuous
Select folder	

These screens apply when a Creative Zone mode is set. In the Basic Zone modes, the [C/F/★] tab and ► are not displayed.

Shooting 2

Expo.comp./AEB	-2..1..0..1..+2
White balance	AWB
Custom WB	
WB SHIFT/BKT	0,0/±0
Color space	sRGB
Picture Style	Standard
Dust Delete Data	

Playback 2

Highlight alert	Disable
AF point disp.	Disable
Histogram	Brightness
Print order	
Image jump w/▶	10 images

Set-up 2

LCD brightness	☀
Date/Time	08/24/08 13:10
Language	English
Video system	NTSC
Sensor cleaning	
Live View function settings	

Set-up 3

INFO. button	Normal disp.
Flash control	
Camera user setting	
Clear settings	
Firmware Ver.	1.0.0

Quick Control Screen

Press <QUICK CONTROL DIAL> straight down. The Quick Control screen will appear.

Shutter speed: 1/125, Aperture: F8.0, ISO speed: ISO AUTO D+, Exposure compensation/AEB setting: -2..1..0..1..+2, Shooting mode: M, AF point: HL, Image-recording quality: RAW, Picture Style: Standard, Flash exposure comp.: -2/3, Metering mode: ONE SHOT, Drive mode: M, White balance: AWB, AF mode: M

- Tilt the <QUICK CONTROL DIAL> to select the function, then turn the <MAIN DIAL> or <QUICK CONTROL DIAL> to set it.
- In the Basic Zone modes, you can select certain drive modes and the image-recording quality.

Image-recording Quality

Select [C] Quality.

Image-recording quality

Quality: HL 15M 4752x3168 [205] Possible shots

RAW: Turn the <QUICK CONTROL DIAL> to select the quality.

JPEG: Turn the <MAIN DIAL> to select the quality.

Picture Style

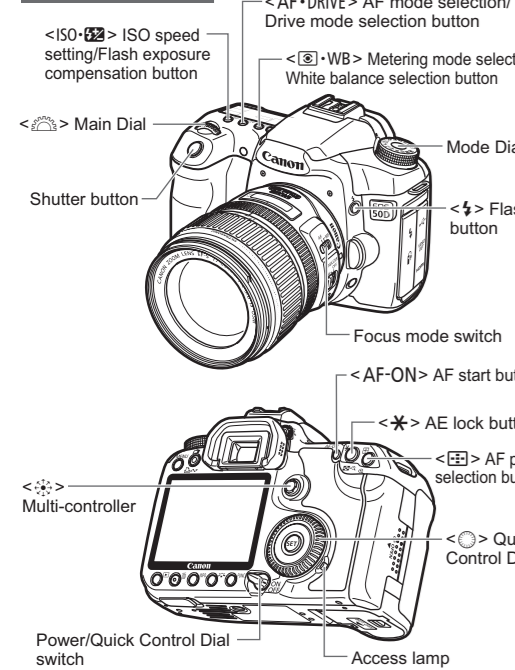
Press the <QUICK CONTROL DIAL> button. Turn the <MAIN DIAL> or <QUICK CONTROL DIAL> to select the Picture Style.

Style	Description
Standard	Vivid colors and sharp images.
Portrait	Nice skin tones and slightly sharp images.
Landscape	Vivid blue skies and greenery and very sharp images.
Monochrome	Black-and-white images.

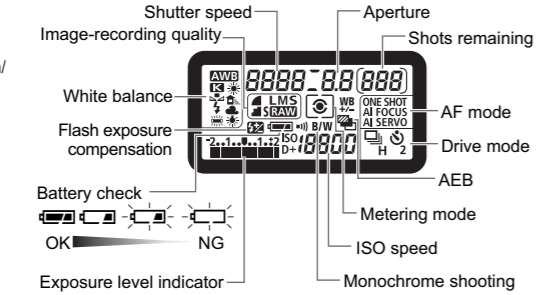
- For <FAITHFUL> (Neutral) and <NEUTRAL> (Faithful), see the camera's instruction manual.

Shooting Operation

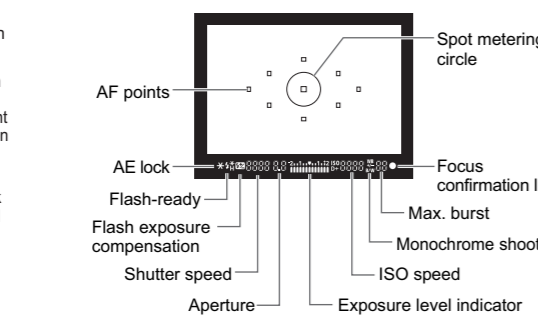
Nomenclature



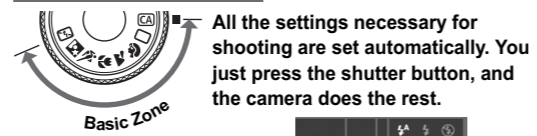
LCD Panel



Viewfinder Information



Basic Zone Modes



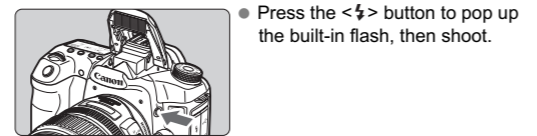
All the settings necessary for shooting are set automatically. You just press the shutter button, and the camera does the rest.

- Full Auto
 - Creative Auto
 - Portrait
 - Landscape
 - Close-up
 - Sports
 - Night Portrait
 - Flash Off
- (Displayed only when **<CA>** is set.)
- Press **<Q>** straight down, then tilt **<Q>** to select the function.
 - Turn the **<Q>** or **<Q>** dial to set the function.

Using the Built-in Flash

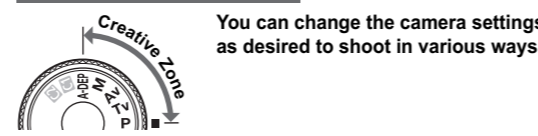
In Basic Zone Modes
If necessary, the built-in flash will pop-up automatically in low-light or backlit conditions (except in the **<L>**, **<S>**, **<M>** modes).

Creative Zone Modes



- Press the **<Q>** button to pop up the built-in flash, then shoot.

Creative Zone Modes



You can change the camera settings as desired to shoot in various ways.

P: Program AE

The camera automatically sets the shutter speed and aperture in the same way as the **<Q>** mode.

- Set the Mode Dial to **<P>**.

Tv: Shutter-priority AE

- Set the Mode Dial to **<Tv>**.
- Turn the **<Q>** dial to set the desired shutter speed, then focus the subject.
- ▶ The aperture will be set automatically.
- If the aperture display blinks, turn the **<Q>** dial until it stops blinking.

Av: Aperture-priority AE

- Set the Mode Dial to **<Av>**.
- Turn the **<Q>** dial to set the desired aperture, then focus the subject.
- ▶ The shutter speed will be set automatically.
- If the shutter speed display blinks, turn the **<Q>** dial until it stops blinking.

AF: AF Mode

- Set the lens focus mode switch to **<AF>**.
- Press the **<AF-DRIVE>** button, then turn the **<Q>** dial.

ONE SHOT (One-Shot AF):
For still subjects

AI FOCUS (AI Focus AF):
Switches the AF mode automatically

AI SERVO (AI Servo AF):
For moving subjects

AF Point

- Press the **<AF-ON>** button, then look through the viewfinder.
- The AF point selection will change in the direction you tilt the **<Q>**. If you keep tilting it in the same direction, it will toggle between manual and automatic AF point selection.
- When all AF points light up, automatic AF point selection will be set.
- When you turn the **<Q>** or **<Q>** dial, the AF point selection will change in the respective direction.

ISO: ISO Speed

- Press the **<ISO>** button, then turn the **<Q>** dial.
- ISO 100 to 3200 can be set in 1/3-stop increments.
- When **"A"** is selected, the ISO speed is set automatically. When you press the shutter button halfway, the ISO speed setting will be displayed.

Drive Mode

- Press the **<AF-DRIVE>** button, then turn the **<Q>** dial.
 - Single shooting**
 - H: High-speed continuous shooting**
 - L: Low-speed continuous shooting**
 - 10-sec. self-timer***
 - 2-sec. self-timer**
- * This drive mode **<10>** can be set in all shooting modes.

Live View Shooting

- Select **[Live View function settings]**.
- Set **[Live View shoot.]** to **[Enable]**.

- Press the **<Live View>** button to display the Live View image.
- Press the **<AF-ON>** button to focus.
- Press the shutter button to take the picture.

Battery Life with Live View Shooting

Temperature	No Flash	50% Flash Use
At 23°C / 73°F	Approx. 180 shots	Approx. 170 shots

Custom Functions

C.Fn I: Exposure

- 1 Exposure level increments
- 2 ISO speed setting increments
- 3 ISO expansion
- 4 Bracketing auto cancel
- 5 Bracketing sequence
- 6 Safety shift
- 7 Flash sync. speed in Av mode

C.Fn II: Image

- 1 Long exposure noise reduction
- 2 High ISO speed noise reduction
- 3 Highlight tone priority
- 4 Auto Lighting Optimizer

C.Fn III: Autofocus/Drive

- 1 Lens drive when AF impossible

C.Fn IV: Operation/Others

- 2 Lens AF stop button function
- 3 AF point selection method
- 4 Superimposed display
- 5 AF-assist beam firing
- 6 Mirror lockup
- 7 AF Microadjustment
- 1 Shutter button/AF-ON button
- 2 AF-ON/AE lock button switch
- 3 Assign SET button
- 4 Dial direction during Tv/Av
- 5 Focusing screen
- 6 Add original decision data
- 7 Assign FUNC. button