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It is strongly recommended that you follow these step-by-step numbered instructions to set up and quickly begin using your new Stylus 300/400 DIGITAL (µ [mju:] 300/400 DIGITAL).

2 PREPARING THE CAMERA FOR USE

a. Charging the battery

The Stylus 300/400 DIGITAL (µ [mju:] 300/400 DIGITAL) uses an Olympus Lithium ion battery (LI-10B) and dedicated charger (LI-10C). This is the only battery/charger designed for use with the Stylus 300/400 DIGITAL (µ [mju:] 300/400 DIGITAL). The battery cannot be charged while in the camera.

- Insert the battery into the charger and then press .
- Connect the battery charger AC cable as shown to a standard wall outlet.
- Insert the Lithium ion battery into the charger as indicated in the illustration.
- Set the date and time when using the camera for the first time. This affects the way image file names are created, and will conveniently include this information with each picture.
- To fully charge the battery requires approximately 2 hours. The charge indicator light will be red when charging, and will turn green when the charging process is complete.
- Note: Time is entered using the 24-hour format.

b. Loading the battery

- Set the date and time when using the camera for the first time.

3 TURNING ON THE CAMERA

a. Turning the camera ON (SHOOTING MODE)

- To turn the camera off, slide the lens barrier until you feel the first click. Wait until the lens is fully retracted, then close the lens barrier all the way.

b. Setting the Date and Time (OPTIONAL)

Set the date and time when using the camera for the first time. This affects the way image file names are created, and will conveniently include this information with each picture.
- With the front lens barrier closed, press  once. The monitor will turn on with "NO PICTURE" displayed in the monitor. Turn the camera off by pressing  again.
- Confirm you have installed the battery and xD-Picture Card properly by pressing  once. The "NO PICTURE" message should be displayed in the monitor. Turn the camera off by pressing  again.
- Press  to select SETUP, and then press .
- Press  to select MODE MENU, and then press .
- Use  and  to select the date format (usually M, D, Y).
- Adjust the date and time in the appropriate fields by using  to select the field, and  to set the proper value.
- Repeat this step until all date/time fields have been set.
- To maximize battery life, the Stylus 300/400 DIGITAL (µ [mju:] 300/400 DIGITAL) features a power saving mode in which the camera enters a sleep mode after approximately three (3) minutes of non-use.
- Press  to store the date and time.
- Adjust the date and time in the appropriate fields by using  to select the field, and  to set the proper value.
- Press  to select SETUP, and then press .
- Press  to select MODE MENU, and then press .
- Use  and  to select the date format (usually M, D, Y).
- Adjust the date and time in the appropriate fields by using  to select the field, and  to set the proper value.
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C. Camera Diagram and Controls

Now take a moment to familiarize yourself with the key areas of camera controls by reviewing the Illustrations.
**TAKING PICTURES**

There are two ways to compose your subject: using the monitor or with the viewfinder. Depending upon the shooting situation, there may be advantages to each method. Please refer to the printed Basic Manual for more information.

#### a. Taking a Picture with the Monitor
- Open the lens barrier fully.
- Frame your subject using the monitor.
- Press the shutter button halfway. The green lamp in the viewfinder lights steadily when the focus and exposure are set.
- Frame your subjects using the AF-Assist Beam or the AF-Assist Illuminator.
- Press the shutter button completely to take the picture. A short beep confirms your picture has been taken.

#### b. Taking a Picture with the Viewfinder
- Open the lens barrier fully.
- Frame your subjects using the AF-Assist Beam or the Basic Viewfinder.
- Press the shutter button halfway.

**TIP**

To find out how many frames you have left, turn on the monitor and look for the number in the lower right corner. Remember, you can always delete unwanted pictures to make room for more. (See Step 5.)

**Orange Lamp**

The Stylus 300/400 DIGITAL (µ [mju:] 300/400 DIGITAL) features a zoom lens, allowing you to get closer to action, or capture wide-angle shots and get everything into the picture.

- Press the zoom button to zoom out and get everything into the picture.
- Press the zoom button to choose telephoto shooting and get closer to the action.

**Flash Modes**

The Stylus 300/400 DIGITAL (µ [mju:] 300/400 DIGITAL) features multiple flash modes. Please note that not all flash modes are available depending on the shooting mode selected.

- **Auto-Flash**
  - The camera automatically decides if the flash is needed.
- **Red-eye Reduction Flash**
  - Reduces occurrence of red-eye by pre-flashing to shrink pupil size before firing the main flash. The strobe effect is normal operation for this mode.
- **Fill-in Flash**
  - Turns the flash off or removes what flash photography is prohibited or not desired. This allows firing the flash in a very low-light situation.
- **Flash Off**
  - The flash never fires. This effect is normal operation for this mode.

**Flash modes may not fire when the subject is too close or too far away.**

#### C. Zooming

- Press the shutter button completely to take the picture. A short beep confirms your picture has been taken.
- You are now ready to install the computer software.

**Windows 98 users must install the “USB Driver for qsge_pquick.fm” and the CAMEDIA Master CD-ROM.**

**CAMEDIA Master CD-ROM**

Includes: CAMEDIA Master: To download pictures from the camera, view, organize, retouch and print your digital photos and movies.

**USB Driver for Windows 98**

This utility must be installed to allow the camera to communicate with your computer. The USB Driver for Windows 98 is provided on the CD-ROM. Before installing, please refer to the Software Installation Guide for complete information.

**CAMEDIA Guide**

A complete reference guide in digital form, saved on the CD in PDF format.

You are now ready to install the computer software.

- Open the CAMEDIA Master CD-ROM package and insert the CD-ROM into your computer. In the first window, click “How to Install.” Begin following the Software Installation Guide.

**CONNECTING THE CAMERA TO A COMPUTER**

Olympus recommends using the optional AC adapter to ensure a consistent power supply when downloading images.

- Press  to turn the monitor off.
- To return to the shooting mode, press the shutter button halfway.
- The beauty of digital photography is your ability to keep the photos you want, delete the rest, and reuse empty memory space to take new pictures. The Stylus 300/400 DIGITAL (µ [mju:] 300/400 DIGITAL) offers two ways to permanently erase unwanted digital photos:
  - **Single-Frame Erase**
    - Deletes only the picture currently displayed in the monitor.
  - **All-Frame Erase**
    - Deletes all pictures on the xD-Picture Card in one operation, except for pictures you have protected.

**Once erased, pictures cannot be restored.**

- With the lens barrier closed, press  and use the arrow pad to select the CARD tab, then press  twice to access the CARD SETUP screen.
- Use  to select the CARD tab, then press  twice to access the CARD SETUP screen.
- With the lens barrier closed, press  and use the arrow pad to select YES and press . Once erased, pictures cannot be restored.

**Min. Card Requirements**

(xD-Picture Card) 32MB to 2GB

**Number of Storable Pictures**

Your digital camera can handle xD-Picture Cards from 16 MB to 256 MB. The number of storable pictures depends on the image quality selected.

- **5MB**
  - 170 pictures
- **10MB**
  - 100 pictures
- **20MB**
  - 50 pictures
- **40MB**
  - 25 pictures
- **80MB**
  - 12 pictures
- **160MB**
  - 6 pictures
- **256MB**
  - 3 pictures

**Stylus 300/400 DIGITAL (µ [mju:] 300/400 DIGITAL) offers a host of advanced features to expand your creativity. Here’s just a sampling: See the Basic Manual for details on these capabilities, and more!**

- **Scene Program Shooting Modes**
  - By using the on-line mode dial (virtual dial), you can easily select the camera settings that closely match your shooting situations.
  - **Sequential Shooting**
    - Take a rapid succession of still pictures.
  - **Movie Recording**
    - Yes, the Stylus 300/400 DIGITAL (µ [mju:] 300/400 DIGITAL) records moviels (Movies cannot be recorded with sound.)
  - **Two-in-one Pictures**
    - Combines two separate images taken in succession and store them as a single picture.
  - **Close-up Playback**
    - Enhances the pictures in the monitor to check details of the selected image.
  - **Index Display**
    - View several thumbnail pictures on the monitor all once.
  - **Protecting Pictures**
    - Prevents you from accidentally erasing photos.
  - **Video Playback**
    - View your pictures and movies on a television monitor.
  - **Panorama Shooting**
    - Connect overlapping images into a single picture using the panorama mode and Olympus CamEDIA Master software.