



## Canon HF20 Setup & Troubleshooting Instructions

### Basic Recording

1. Remove the camera from the box.
2. Insert the battery.
3. Open the flip-out screen.
4. Locate the power button, press to turn the camera on.
5. Set the rotating switch on the right to the movie camera icon for video record mode.
6. Press the 'Func' button which is just below the joystick on the flip-out screen.
7. Use the joystick to navigate down to the record quality setting (5<sup>th</sup> option down the left side of the screen) and set it to the desired quality. Use MXP for highest quality if you are unsure. Higher qualities fit fewer minutes of footage on the card. Press 'Func' again to exit the menu.
8. Press the start/stop button (red stripe) to start and stop recording.

### Playback and Transfer

1. To play back, press the rightmost button below the flip-out screen to switch to playback mode.
2. Use the small joystick to the left of the screen to navigate between clips. Play and stop buttons are below the screen.
3. To transfer footage to your computer, connect the included USB cable. The camera will appear as an external drive in 'My Computer'. Transfer the entire "AVCHD" folder from the camera to your computer. Video files are in the "Stream" folder in AVCHD format. Some editors such as the latest version of Final Cut Pro can work with this format directly.
4. We recommend "Free HD Converter" by Koyote Soft for converting files from the camera's AVCHD format to other useful formats (mp4, wmv, avi, etc.) A link to download this software is available on <http://www.atsrentals.com> by clicking on Video Cameras, then on the Canon HF20.
5. After converting, video can be edited using Windows Movie Maker, etc.