Handy Recorder

H1n

Operation Manual

You must read the Usage and Safety Precautions before use.

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Usage and Safety Precautions

In this operation manual, symbols are used to highlight warnings and cautions that you must read to prevent accidents. The meanings of these symbols are as follows.

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### WARNING

#### Operation with batteries

- Use 2 commercially-available AAA batteries (alkaline dry cell batteries, NiMH batteries or lithium dry cell batteries).
- Carefully study the warning indications of the batteries before use.
- Always keep the battery and SD card covers closed during use.

#### Alterations

- Do not open the case or modify the product.

### CAUTION

#### Product handling

- Do not drop, bump or apply excessive force to the unit.
- Be careful not to allow foreign objects or liquids to enter the unit.

#### Battery handling

- Install batteries with the correct +/- orientations.
- Use the specified batteries.
- Do not use new and old batteries together. Do not use batteries of different brands or types together.
- Remove the batteries when the unit will not be used for a long time.
- If a leak occurs, thoroughly wipe the battery case and battery terminals to remove the leaked fluid.

#### Operating environment

- Do not use in extremely high or low temperatures.
- Do not use near heaters, stoves and other heat sources.
- Do not use in very high humidity or where it could be splashed by water.
- Do not use in places with frequent vibrations.
- Do not use in places with much dust or sand.

#### Volume

- Do not use at a loud volume for a long time.

#### Interference with other electrical equipment

In consideration of safety, the H1n has been designed to minimize its emission of electromagnetic waves and to suppress interference from external electromagnetic waves. However, equipment that is very susceptible to interference or that emits powerful electromagnetic waves could result in interference if placed nearby. If this occurs, place the H1n and the other device farther apart.

With any type of electronic device that uses digital control, including the H1n, electromagnetic interference could cause malfunction, corrupt or destroy data and result in other unexpected trouble. Always use caution.
Cleaning
Use a soft cloth to clean the exterior of the unit if it becomes dirty. If necessary, use a damp cloth that has been wrung out well to wipe it. Never use abrasive cleansers, wax or solvents such as alcohol, benzene or paint thinner.

Breakdown and malfunction
If the unit becomes broken or malfunctions, immediately disconnect the AC adapter, turn the power off and disconnect other cables. Contact the store where you bought the unit or ZOOM service with the following information: product model, serial number and specific symptoms of breakdown or malfunction, along with your name, address and telephone number.

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• Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
• Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
• Connect the equipment into 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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Declaration of conformity
Introduction

Thank you very much for purchasing a ZOOM H1n Handy Recorder (hereafter, "H1n"). The H1n has the following features.

90° XY mic
The 90° XY mic captures three-dimensional images of sound.
This stereo mic uses a matched pair and can handle a maximum sound pressure of 120 dB SPL, enabling it to record clearly without distortion even during band rehearsals and club performances.

Straightforward interface
The input level can be adjusted simply by turning a dial, and recording settings can be changed without complicated procedures.
After learning it once, the simple user interface allows settings to be made without hassle.

Display with great visibility and language localization
The full-dot display allows the interface to change as needed.
Moreover, parameter names, messages and other information can be shown in the set language using the capabilities of this display.

USB audio interface that uses asynchronous transfer
The asynchronous transfer system used is not impacted by computer jitter, enabling faithful reproduction of the original sound.

Additional recording functions from other models
The features include automatic recording that monitors the input level to determine when to start, pre-recording to prevent missing beginnings, and sound marks that are useful for synchronizing with external equipment.
The H1n also has a new self-timer function that is convenient when recording alone.

Overdubbing function
New sounds can be recorded over existing recordings nondestructively.
Since a new file is created and the original file is left unchanged, you can overdub without worrying about mistakes.

Advanced playback functions
Speed adjustment, A-B repeat, playback position skipping and other functions are useful for transcribing, studying and learning pieces of music. This recorder is useful even after recording.
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Front

1. Built-in XY mic
   This has two crossing directional mics. This mic can record a three-dimensional sound with natural depth and width.

2. Input volume dial
   Use to adjust the input level.

3. Display
   This shows various types of information.

4. AUDIO button
   Use this to operate the function shown 1st from the left at the bottom of the display.

5. LO CUT button
   Use this to operate the function shown 2nd from the left at the bottom of the display.
6. **LIMITER button**
   Use this to operate the function shown 3rd from the left at the bottom of the display.

7. **AUTO LEVEL button**
   Use this to operate the function shown 4th from the left at the bottom of the display.

8. **REC LED**
   This lights during recording. It blinks rapidly when the input sound level is high.

9. **REC button**
   Use to start recording.

10. **STOP/OPTION button**
    Use to stop file playback and show various functions.

11. **PLAY/PAUSE button**
    Use to start and pause playback of recorded files.

12. **REW button**
    Use to skip files and search backward to a playback position.

13. **FF button**
    Used to skip files and search forward to a playback position.

14. **Speaker**
    Sound is output here during file playback.
Left and right sides

1. PHONE/LINE OUT jack
   This can output sound to headphones or a connected device.

2. VOLUME buttons
   Use to adjust the volume.

3. MIC/LINE IN jack
   A connected mic can be used to record. Mics that require plug-in power can be used with this jack.

4. microSD card slot
   Insert a microSD card here.

5. TRASH button
   Use to delete recorded files.

6. POWER (HOLD) switch
   Use this to turn the power ON/OFF and to disable button operation.

7. USB port
   Connect this to a computer or iOS device to use the H1n as an audio interface or card reader.
Display overview

Recording Screen

1. **File name**
   This shows the name of the file being recorded.

2. **Status icon**
   This shows the recording status.
   - Ready
   - Recording
   - Paused
   - Overdubbing (→ "Overdubbing")

3. **Level meters**
   These show the current input levels.

4. **Function buttons**
   These show functions that can be set on the Recording Screen.
   From left to right, these correspond to AUDIO, LO CUT, LIMITER, and AUTO LEVEL.

5. **Remaining battery charge**
   This shows the remaining battery charge. When the remaining battery charge becomes low, replace the batteries (→ "Using batteries") or connect an AC adapter (→ "Using an AC adapter").

6. **Counter**
   This shows either the current elapsed recording time or the remaining available recording time (→ "Setting how the counter appears").

7. **Clipping indicators**
   These appear lit when loud sounds are input. If the clipping indicators light, adjust the input level (→ "Adjusting input levels") or set the limiter (→ "Setting the limiter").
Playback Screen

① File name
This shows the name of the file being played.

② Status icon
This shows the playback status.
▶ Playing  ■ Paused  ◀ Searching backward  ▶ Searching forward
|| Jumping to the previous file/mark  ▶ Jumping to the next file/mark

③ Progress bar
This shows the current playback location.

④ Number of selected file/total number of files

⑤ Level meter
These show the input levels of the playing audio.

⑥ Function buttons
These show functions that can be set on the Playback Screen.
From left to right, these correspond to AUDIO, LO CUT, LIMITER and AUTO LEVEL

⑦ Remaining battery charge
This shows the remaining battery charge. When the remaining battery charge becomes low, replace the batteries (→ "Using batteries") or connect an AC adapter (→ "Using an AC adapter").

⑧ Counter
This shows the playback time from the file beginning.

⑨ Remaining playback time
This shows the remaining time of the playing file.

⑩ Clipping indicator
These appear lit when the output levels are high.
Preparations

Providing power

Using batteries

1. Turn the power off and then remove the battery cover.

2. Install the batteries.

3. Replace the battery cover.

**NOTE**
- Use only one type of battery (alkaline, NiMH or lithium) at a time.
- If the remaining battery power indicator becomes 0, turn the power off immediately and install new batteries.
- After installing the batteries, set the battery type correctly (→ "Setting the type of battery used").
Using an AC adapter

1. Connect the cable of an AD-17 AC adapter to the USB port.

2. Plug the AC adapter into an outlet.
Inserting microSD cards

1. Turn the power off and then open the microSD card slot cover.

2. Insert the microSD card into the card slot.

To remove a microSD card, push it further into the slot and then pull it out.

3. Close the microSD card slot cover.

**NOTE**

- Always make certain that the power is off when inserting or removing a microSD card. Inserting or removing a card while the power is on could result in data loss.
- When inserting a microSD card, be sure to insert the correct end with the top side up as shown.
- Recording and playback are not possible when a microSD card is not loaded in the H1n.
- To format a microSD card, see "Formatting microSD cards".
Turning the power on/off

Turning the power on

1. Slide \[\text{HOLD}\] toward \[\text{○}\].

This turns the power on and opens the Recording Screen.

**NOTE**
- The first time you turn the power on after purchase, you must set the language (→ "Setting the language shown") and the date/time (→ "Setting the date and time").
- If “No SD Card!” appears on the display, confirm that a microSD card is inserted properly.
- If “Invalid SD Card!” appears on the display, the card is not formatted correctly. Format the microSD card (→ "Formatting microSD cards") or use a different microSD card (→ "Inserting microSD cards").

Turning the power off

1. Slide \[\text{HOLD}\] toward \[\text{○}\].

**NOTE**
Keep sliding the switch until "Goodbye See You!" appears.
Setting the language shown

Set the language shown on the display.

1. While pressing , turn the power on.

This opens the SETTING screen.

2. Use and to select “Language”, and press .

3. Press or to select the language to use, and press .

This completes setting the language.

HINT
The first time you turn the power on after purchase, this screen opens automatically.
Setting the date and time

Set the date and time so the recorder can add this data to recording files.

1. While pressing ⬅️, turn the power on.

   ![Setting Screen Image]

   This opens the SETTING screen.

2. Use LO CUT and LIMITER to select "Date/Time", and press AUTOLEVEL.

   ![Date/Time Screen Image]

3. Use LO CUT and LIMITER to select "Set Date/Time", and press AUTOLEVEL.

   ![Set Date/Time Screen Image]
4. Use [ ] and [ ] to move the cursor.

HINT
The first time you turn the power on after purchase, this screen opens automatically after you set the language used.

5. Use [ ] and [ ] to change the value selected by the cursor.

6. Press [ ].

This completes setting the date and time.
Preventing misoperation

Misoperation during recording can be prevented by using the HOLD function to disable use of the H1n buttons.

Activating the HOLD function

1. Slide (HOLD) to HOLD.

Deactivating the HOLD function

1. Slide (HOLD) back to the middle.
Adjusting input levels

Adjusting levels manually

1. Turn the input volume dial.

HINT
• Adjust so that the peak level stays around −12dB.
• If the sound distorts even when you lower the input level, try changing mic positions and adjusting the output levels of connected devices.
• To cut noise from wind and other sources during recording, see "Reducing noise".
• To stop input signal clipping, see "Setting the limiter".

NOTE
If the REC LED is blinking, the sound could be distorted, so lower the input level.
Using automatic level adjustment

This function automatically adjusts the input level according to the input signal.

1. Press AUTOLEVEL to select ON.

**NOTE**
When automatic level adjustment is ON, turning the input volume dial has no effect.
Selecting the recording format

The recording format can be selected in consideration of audio quality and file size.

1. Press [Audio] to select the recording format.

The display shows the selected recording format and the remaining possible recording time.

The following recording formats can be set.

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<td>16bit 48 kHz/16-bit WAV</td>
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<td>16bit 44.1 kHz/16-bit WAV</td>
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<td>MP3</td>
<td>320k 320 kbps MP3</td>
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<td>MP3</td>
<td>128k 128 kbps MP3</td>
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<tr>
<td>MP3</td>
<td>48k 48 kbps MP3</td>
<td>Low</td>
<td>Small</td>
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NOTE
• WAV format is better for recording when audio quality is important.
• Since the MP3 format uses compression, the audio quality is reduced, but the file size is smaller. This is convenient when you want to save large amounts of recordings and use less space on the microSD card, for example.
Reducing noise

This function can reduce low-frequency noise, including wind and vocal pops.

1. Press [LOCUT] to set the cutoff frequency.

HINT
Select OFF, 80Hz, 120Hz or 160Hz as the frequency.
Setting the limiter

The limiter can prevent distortion by controlling input signals that have excessively high levels.

1. Press \[ \text{Limiter} \] to select ON.

**NOTE**
When the input sensitivity is high (input volume dial is set to a large value), noise will be more noticeable when the signal level is low.
1. Press ．

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<td>Add a mark</td>
<td>AUDIO</td>
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**NOTE**
- Marks are used as cue points. During playback, press ◀ or ▶ to jump to a mark position.
- When recording is paused, a mark will be added automatically at that point.
- Up to 99 marks can be added to each recording.
- If the file size exceeds 2 GB during recording, a new file will be created automatically and recording will continue without pause.

2. Press ．

This ends recording.
Using additional recording functions

When the Recording Screen is open, press to enable use of additional recording functions.

Recording automatically (AUTO REC)

Recording will start automatically when the input level exceeds the set value.

1. While pressing , press to set the recording starting level.

   ![Recording Screen]

   HINT
   The input level can be set to Off, −48 dB, −24 dB, −12 dB or −6 dB.

2. Press .

   ![Recording Standby]

   This will start automatic recording standby.

   HINT
   You can press again to start recording immediately.

3. Press to end recording standby or stop recording.

   NOTE
   This cannot be used with the SELF TIMER function. When automatic recording is enabled, the self timer will be disabled.
Capturing audio before recording starts (PRE REC)

The input signal can be captured for about 2 seconds before \( \bullet \) is pressed. This is useful when a performance starts suddenly, for example.

1. While pressing \( \bullet \), press \( \text{LOCUT} \) to turn it ON.

![Image showing test tone and recording interface]

This starts recording the input signal from 2 seconds earlier.

**NOTE**
This cannot be used with the SELF TIMER function. When PRE REC is enabled, SELF TIMER will be disabled.

2. Press \( \bullet \).
Recording with the SELF TIMER

Recording starts automatically after the set time passes.

1. While pressing [REC], press [SELF TIMER] to set the timer.

   [TEST TONE (1 kHz)]
   [012:17:24]
   [AUTO REC | PRE REC | SELF TIMER | SOUND MARK]

   10SEC OFF

   HINT
   The timer can be set to OFF, 3SEC, 5SEC or 10SEC.

2. Press [REC].

   [000:00:00]
   [10]
   [OFF OFF OFF OFF]

   This starts the self timer countdown, and the REC LED blinks.

   HINT
   During the countdown, you can press [REC] again to start recording immediately.

3. Press [STOP] to end recording standby or stop recording.

   NOTE
   • This cannot be used with the AUTO REC function. When the SELF TIMER is enabled, AUTO REC will be disabled.
   • This cannot be used with the PRE REC function. When the SELF TIMER is enabled, PRE REC will be disabled.
Enabling the SOUND MARK function

Tone signals (sound markers) can be output from the LINE OUT jack when recording is started and stopped. When recording audio for video with the H1n, sending the H1n output signal to the camera input can make aligning audio and video easier.

1. While pressing [AUTO LEVEL], press [SOUND MARK] to turn it ON.
Adjusting connected equipment levels (playing test tones)

When the H1n is connected to a digital SLR camera or other external device, a test tone can be played to match their output levels.

1. Minimize the input gain of the other device.

   **NOTE**
   If the automatic gain control function on the other device is on, turn it off.

2. Use an audio cable to connect the external mic jack of the other device with the PHONE/LINE OUT jack of the H1n.

3. While pressing  , press  .

   This plays a test tone from the PHONE/LINE OUT jack.

   **NOTE**
   Be careful of the volume if you are monitoring the sound with headphones, for example.

   **HINT**
   The test tone is a 1kHz sine wave at -6 dBFS.

4. Adjust the input gain of the other device.

   While checking the audio level meter of the connected device, make small adjustments to the input gain of that device until the audio signal level is about −6 dB.

5. Press  .

   This stops the test tone.

   **NOTE**
   See the operation manual of the other device for information about its operation.
Overdubbing

You can record over a file as it is playing back and save it as a new file. This is convenient when, for example, recording a performance one part at a time.

1. Press ◄ and ► to select a file.

2. While pressing ◄/■, press ◼. This starts overdubbing.

3. Press ■. This stops overdubbing.

NOTE
• The AUTO REC, PRE REC, SELF TIMER and SOUND MARK functions will be disabled.
• Overdubbing is not possible if the recording format of the file is MP3.
• Overdubbing will record a file with the same format as the original file.
Monitoring recording

The sound being recorded can be monitored using headphones.

1. Connect headphones to the PHONE/LINE OUT jack on the H1n.

2. Press + and - to adjust the monitoring volume.

HINT
The monitoring volume can be set from 0 to 100.
Using external mics

A connected mic can be used to record sound.

1. Connect an external mic to the MIC/LINE IN jack on the H1n.

2. Press \( \square \).

This starts recording.

**NOTE**
- The built-in XY mic is disabled when an external mic is connected.
- The H1n can supply plug-in power if the connected mic uses it.
## Playback

### Playing recordings

1. Press [REW] and [FF] to select the file for playback.

![Playback Screen](image)

2. Press [SUITE].

![Playback Screen](image)

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<td>Search forward</td>
<td>Press and hold [FF]</td>
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<tr>
<td>Search backward</td>
<td>Press and hold [REW]</td>
</tr>
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<td>Add a mark</td>
<td>Press [MARK] during playback</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Jump to the next mark (if one exists)</td>
<td>Press [FF]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Play the next file (if no mark exists)</td>
<td>Press [FF]</td>
</tr>
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<td>Jump to the previous mark (if one exists)</td>
<td>Press [REW]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Play the previous file (if no mark exists)</td>
<td>Press [REW]</td>
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</table>

**HINT**

- Marks are used as cue points.
- If you press [FF] after the last mark during playback, the next file will be played.
- If you press [REW] before the first mark during playback, the previous file will be played.

3. Press [STOP].

Playback stops and the Recording Screen opens.
Adjusting the volume

1. Press + and -.

HINT
• The volume can be adjusted separately for the speaker and headphones.
• The volume can be set from 0 to 100.
Using repeat playback

Just the file currently playing or all the files saved on the microSD card can be played back repeatedly.

1. Press to set the repeat type.

The following repeat types can be used.

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<td>OFF</td>
<td>Every file from the selected one to the last one will be played back.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ONE</td>
<td>The selected file will be played repeatedly.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ALL</td>
<td>All files will be played back repeatedly.</td>
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</table>
Deleting marks

Marks added to files can be deleted when not needed.

1. Pause playback.

2. Use \[ \text{\textless} \] and \[ \text{\textgreater} \] to jump to the mark that you want to delete.

   The function button on the far left changes from "MARK" to "DELETE MARK".

3. Press \[ \text{AUDIO} \].

4. Use \[ \text{\textless} \] and \[ \text{\textgreater} \] to select "Delete", and press \[ \text{AUTOLEVEL} \].

   The selected mark will be deleted.
Checking file information

You can view a variety of information about the selected file.

1. Press ➣ and ➤ to select a file.

2. Press  LOCUT.

3. Check the file information.

Press ➣ and ➤ to change the page.

HINT
The information items that can be viewed are the date and time, the recording format, the file size, and the recording length.

4. Press  AUDIO.

This reopens the Playback Screen.
Using additional playback functions

Press \( \text{(auto play)} \) to switch to Play Mode, which allows you to use functions that are useful for listening to passages and transcribing words.

## Adjusting the playback position precisely

The playback position can be adjusted a few seconds at a time.

1. Press \( \text{(auto play)} \) on the Playback Screen.
   This activates Play Mode.

2. Use \( \text{←} \) and \( \text{→} \) to adjust the playback position precisely.
   - Go back 3 seconds: Press \( \text{←} \)
   - Go forward 10 seconds: Press \( \text{→} \)

   ![Play Mode Screen]

   NOTE
   If there is a mark before the amount of time, playback will stop at the mark position instead.

3. Press \( \text{(auto play)} \) to exit Play Mode.
Changing the playback speed

   This activates Play Mode.

2. Press [AUDIO] to change the playback speed.

   ![Play Mode Screen]

   **HINT**
   The playback speed can be set to ×0.50, ×0.75, ×1.00, ×1.50 or ×2.00.

Using sound effects

These effects can be applied to change the sound during playback.

1. Press AUTOLEVEL on the Playback Screen.
   This activates Play Mode.

2. Press LOCAL to select the sound effect to use.

   The following sound effects can be activated.

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<tr>
<td>OFF</td>
<td>The sound will not be changed.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SPEECH</td>
<td>This makes recordings of speeches and meetings sound better.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Vo CUT</td>
<td>This cuts vocals.</td>
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<tr>
<td>BASS</td>
<td>This cuts frequencies other than low frequencies.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ROCK</td>
<td>This emphasizes low and high frequencies.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

3. Press AUTOLEVEL to exit Play Mode.
Repeat playback of a set interval (A-B repeat)

Playback can be repeated between two set points.

1. Press AUTO LEVEL on the Playback Screen. This activates Play Mode.

2. Press ◀️ and ▶️ to move the position where you want repeat playback to start.

![Play Mode]

You can also press ◀️ and move the position during playback.

3. Press ◀️ to set the starting point.

![Play Mode]

"A" will appear at the set point.

4. Press ◀️ at the point where you want repeat playback to stop to set the ending point.

![Play Mode]

"B" will appear at the set point, and repeat playback between the A and B points will start.
5. Press LIMITER to stop repeat playback.

6. Press AUTO LEVEL to exit Play Mode.
Working with files

Deleting files

Files that are not needed can be deleted.

1. Press [ ] and [ ] to select a file.

   ![Image]

   **HINT**
   Files can be deleted on both the Recording Screen and the Playback Screen.

2. Press [ ].

3. Use [ ] and [ ] to select “Delete”, and press [ ].

   ![Image]

   The selected file will be deleted.
Using USB functions

Connecting with other devices

The H1n can be used as a card reader or audio interface when the H1n is connected to a computer, iOS device or other equipment.

1. When the Recording Screen is open, use a USB cable to connect the H1n and the other equipment.

The USB screen will open.

**NOTE**
A Lightning to USB Camera Adapter is necessary to connect an iOS device.
**Using as a card reader**

You can use a computer to check the files saved on the microSD card and copy those files to the computer.

1. Press LO CUT or LIMITER on the USB screen to select “Card Reader”, and press AUTOLEVEL.

2. Use the computer to work with the files saved on the microSD card.

3. When you want to disconnect, use the computer to end the USB connection with the H1n.

   Windows: Select H1n from "Safely Remove Hardware".

   Mac OS: Drag the H1n icon to the Trash and drop it.

   **NOTE**

   Always conduct computer disconnection procedures before removing the USB cable.

4. Press AUTOLEVEL.

5. Use LO CUT and LIMITER to select "Exit", and press AUTOLEVEL.

   This ends card reader operation and reopens the Recording Screen.

6. Disconnect the USB cable from the H1n and the other equipment.
Using as an audio interface

H1n input signals can be input directly to a computer, iOS device or other equipment, and playback signals on a computer, iOS device or other equipment can be output from the H1n.

1. Press or on the USB screen to select "Audio I/F", and press .

2. Use and to select the type of device, and press .

NOTE
After selecting "iOS", follow the instructions on screen and disconnect the cable once. Then, select "iOS" again and reconnect the cable.

3. Use and to select the power source, and press .
The following power sources can be selected.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Setting value</th>
<th>Explanation</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Bus Power</td>
<td>Power is supplied from the connected device through the USB cable.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Battery</td>
<td>Power is supplied by the batteries in the H1n. Select this when connected to a computer that has low USB bus power supply capability.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**NOTE**
When "iOS" is selected, power is supplied by the batteries in the H1n. This screen will not be shown.

4. Monitoring playback signals from connected devices

5. To disconnect, while pressing [ ], press [ ].

6. Use [ ] and [ ] to select "Exit", and press [ ].

This ends audio interface operation and reopens the Recording Screen.

7. Disconnect the USB cable from the H1n and the other equipment.
Enabling direct monitoring

This directly outputs the H1n input signal from the H1n before sending it to the computer or iOS device. This enables monitoring without latency.

1. During audio interface operation, while pressing [ ] , press [ ] to turn it ON.
Making various settings

Opening the SETTING screen

Various settings can be made on the SETTING screen.

1. While pressing  , turn the power on.

This opens the SETTING screen.
Setting the date format

The date format, which is used when adding dates to file names and when showing the date on the Playback Screen, can be changed.

1. On the SETTING screen, use ▲ and ▼ to select “Date/Time”, and press ▶.

2. Use ▲ and ▼ to select "Date Format", and press ▶.

3. Use ▲ and ▼ to select the date format, and press ▶.

The following date formats can be used.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Setting value</th>
<th>Explanation</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>YYMMDD</td>
<td>Year, month, day order</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MMDDYY</td>
<td>Month, day, year order</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DDMMYY</td>
<td>Day, month, year order</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Setting the display backlight

The display backlight can be set to turn off after a specific amount of time without use.

1. On the SETTING screen, use \( \text{和 } \) to select "LCD", and press \( \text{。} \)

![SETTING screen](image)

2. Use \( \text{和 } \) to select "Backlight", and press \( \text{。} \)

![LCD screen](image)

3. Use \( \text{和 } \) to set the amount of time until the backlight turns off, and press \( \text{。} \)

![Backlight screen](image)

The time until the backlight turns off can be set as follows.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Setting value</th>
<th>Explanation</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Off</td>
<td>The backlight always stays off.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>On</td>
<td>The backlight always stays on.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>30 sec</td>
<td>The backlight turns off if no operation occurs for 30 seconds.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1 min</td>
<td>The backlight turns off if no operation occurs for 1 minute.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2 min</td>
<td>The backlight turns off if no operation occurs for 2 minutes.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3 min</td>
<td>The backlight turns off if no operation occurs for 3 minutes.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4 min</td>
<td>The backlight turns off if no operation occurs for 4 minutes.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5 min</td>
<td>The backlight turns off if no operation occurs for 5 minutes.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Adjusting the display contrast

1. On the SETTING screen, use \( \text{LO CUT} \) and \( \text{LIMITER} \) to select "LCD", and press \( \text{AUTO LEVEL} \).

![SETTING screen]

2. Use \( \text{LO CUT} \) and \( \text{LIMITER} \) to select "Contrast", and press \( \text{AUTO LEVEL} \).

![LCD screen]

3. Use \( \text{LO CUT} \) and \( \text{LIMITER} \) to adjust the contrast, and press \( \text{AUTO LEVEL} \).

![Contrast screen]

**HINT**
This can be set from 1 to 10.
Setting the type of battery used

Set the type of battery used so that the amount of remaining battery charge can be shown accurately on the display.

1. On the SETTING screen, use \(\text{LO CUT} \) and \(\text{LIMITER} \) to select "Battery", and press \(\text{AUTO LEVEL} \).

2. Use \(\text{LO CUT} \) and \(\text{LIMITER} \) to select the battery type, and press \(\text{AUTO LEVEL} \).

HINT
The options are Alkaline, Ni-MH and Lithium.
Setting the Auto Power Off function

When operating with batteries, the power will automatically turn off if it is not used for a set amount of time.

1. On the SETTING screen, use \text{LO CUT} and \text{LIMITER} to select “Auto Power Off”, and press \text{AUTOLEVEL}.

2. Use \text{LO CUT} and \text{LIMITER} to set the time until the power turns off, and press \text{AUTOLEVEL}.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Setting value</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Off</td>
<td>The Auto Power Off function is disabled.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5 min</td>
<td>The power will turn off automatically 5 minutes after the last button operation.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10 min</td>
<td>The power will turn off automatically 10 minutes after the last button operation.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>30 min</td>
<td>The power will turn off automatically 30 minutes after the last button operation.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>60 min</td>
<td>The power will turn off automatically 60 minutes after the last button operation.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Setting how the counter appears

The recording time shown during recording (counter) can be set to either the current elapsed recording time (count up) or the remaining possible recording time (count down).

1. On the SETTING screen, use and to select "Rec Setting", and press .

2. Use and to select "Counter", and press .

3. Press or to select how it is shown, and press .
Setting how files are named

The way that files are named automatically during recording can be changed.

1. On the SETTING screen, use \( \text{LO CUT} \) and \( \text{LIMITER} \) to select “Rec Setting”, and press \( \text{AUTO LEVEL} \).

2. Use \( \text{LO CUT} \) and \( \text{LIMITER} \) to select “File Name”, and press \( \text{AUTO LEVEL} \).

3. Use \( \text{LO CUT} \) and \( \text{LIMITER} \) to select the file name format, and press \( \text{AUTO LEVEL} \).

The following file name formats can be used.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Setting value</th>
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</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>ZOOM****</td>
<td>Files are named with consecutive numbers from &quot;ZOOM0001.WAV/MP3&quot; to &quot;ZOOM9999.WAV/.MP3&quot;.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>YYMMDD-HHmmSS</td>
<td>Files are named with the date and time, using a &quot;YYMMDD-HHmmSS.WAV/MP3&quot; format.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**NOTE**
- If set to "YYMMDD-HHmmSS", files will be named with the date and time when recording started.
- When set to "YYMMDD-HHmmSS", the "Date Format" setting will be used (→ *Setting the date format*).
Other functions

Formatting microSD cards

A microSD card that has been purchased or formatted by a computer should be formatted for use with the **HN**.

1. While pressing , turn the power on.

   ![Setting Screen]

   This opens the SETTING screen.

2. Use and to select "SD Card", and press .

   ![Setting Screen - SD Card]

3. Use and to select "Format", and press .

   ![Setting Screen - SD Card Format]

   ![Setting Screen - SD Card Test]
4. Use LO CUT and LIMITER to select "Execute", and press AUTOLEVEL.

This formats the microSD card for use with the H1n.

**NOTE**
- Before using microSD cards that have just been purchased or that have been formatted on a computer, they must be formatted by the H1n.
- Be aware that all data saved on the microSD card will be deleted when it is formatted.
Testing microSD card performance

A microSD card can be tested for usability with the **H1n**.
A Quick Test can be done in a short amount of time, while a Full Test examines the entire microSD card.

**Conducting a Quick Test**

1. While pressing [ ], turn the power on.

   ![Setting screen](image)

   This opens the SETTING screen.

2. Use [ ] and [ ] to select "SD Card", and press [ ].

   ![Setting menu](image)

3. Use [ ] or [ ] to select "Test", and press [ ].

   ![SD Card menu](image)
4. Use [LO CUT] or [LIMITER] to select “Quick Test”, and press [AUTOLEVEL].

![Quick Test Interface]

5. Use [LO CUT] and [LIMITER] to select “Execute”, and press [AUTOLEVEL].

![Execute Interface]

This starts a quick test of the microSD card.

6. Check the result when the test completes.

![Result Interface]

The result of the evaluation is shown.

**NOTE**
Even if a performance test result is “OK”, there is no guarantee that writing errors will not occur. Use this information as a guide.
Conducting a Full Test

NOTE
Use the AC adapter to supply power when conducting a full test (→ "Using an AC adapter").

1. While pressing 📲, turn the power on.

   ![Diagram of setting screen]

   This opens the SETTING screen.

2. Use 📲 and 🔧 to select “SD Card”, and press 🔄.

   ![Diagram of setting screen with SD Card selected]

3. Use 📲 or 🔧 to select “Test”, and press 🔄.

   ![Diagram of SD Card screen with Test selected]
4. Use \( \text{LO CUT} \) or \( \text{LIMITER} \) to select "Full Test", and press \( \text{AUTOLEVEL} \).

The amount of time required for the full test will be shown.

5. Use \( \text{LO CUT} \) and \( \text{LIMITER} \) to select "Execute", and press \( \text{AUTOLEVEL} \).

This starts a full test of the microSD card.

HINT
You can press \( \text{PLAY/PAUSE} \) to pause and resume a test.

6. Check the result when the test completes.

The result of the evaluation is shown.

NOTE
Even if a performance test result is "OK", there is no guarantee that writing errors will not occur. Use this information as a guide.
Checking the versions

You can check the firmware versions.

1. While pressing [ ], turn the power on.

![Diagram of power on process]

This opens the SETTING screen.

2. Use [ ] and [ ] to select "Version", and press [ ].

![Setting screen showing Version]

3. Check the firmware versions.

![Version screen showing SYSTEM: 1.00 and BOOT: 1.00]
Restoring default setting values

The **H1n** settings can be restored to their factory defaults.

1. While pressing 🔄, turn the power on.

   ![Setting Screen]

   This opens the SETTING screen.

2. Use 🔽 and ▼ to select "Factory Reset", and press ▶.

   ![Factory Reset Screen]

3. Use 🔽 and ▼ to select "Execute", and press ▶.

   ![Execute Screen]

   This starts resetting the **H1n**.

   After the settings are reset, the power will automatically turn off.

   **NOTE**

   Input level settings will not be reset.
**Updating the firmware**

The H1n firmware can be updated to the latest versions.

1. Install new batteries in the H1n (→ "Using batteries") or connect the dedicated AC adapter (→ "Using an AC adapter").

2. Copy the firmware update file to the root directory on a microSD card.

   **NOTE**
   Files for the latest firmware updates can be downloaded from the ZOOM website (www.zoom.co.jp).

3. Insert the microSD card into the H1n (→ "Inserting microSD cards").

4. While pressing [ ], turn the power on.

   ![Image](image_url)

   This opens an update execution confirmation screen.

5. Use [ ] and [ ] to select "Update", and press [ ].

   ![Image](image_url)

   The firmware update starts.

   **NOTE**
   During the firmware update, do not turn the power off or remove the microSD card. Doing so could cause the H1n to become unstartable.
6. After the firmware update completes, turn the power off.

NOTE
Executing a firmware update is not possible if the remaining battery power is low. Replace the batteries with new ones (→ "Using batteries") or connect the AC adapter (→ "Using an AC adapter").
Adding languages

By adding new languages, the language displayed by the **H1n** can be changed.

1. Copy the file for the language you want to add to the root directory on a microSD card.

   **NOTE**
   Download language files from the ZOOM website (www.zoom.co.jp).

2. Insert the microSD card into the **H1n** (→ "Inserting microSD cards").

3. While pressing 📣, turn the power on.

   ![Image](image_url)  
   This opens the SETTING screen.

4. Use 📣 and 🚀 to select "Language", and press 🎯.

5. Use 📣 and 🚀 to select "Add Language", and press 🎯.
6. Use [ ] and [ ] to select the language you want to add, and press [ ].

The selected language will be added.

HINT
Added languages will be deleted if the H1 button is reset (= *Restoring default setting values*).
Troubleshooting

If you think that the **H1n** is operating strangely, check the following items first.

**Recording/playback trouble**

- **No sound is output/volume is low**
  - Confirm that the volume of the **H1n** is not set too low (→ "Adjusting the volume").
  - Check the volume of the computer, iOS device or other equipment connected to the **H1n**.

- **Recorded sound cannot be heard or is very quiet**
  - Confirm that the mic is oriented in a suitable direction.
  - Check the input level settings (→ "Adjusting input levels").

- **Recording not possible**
  - Confirm that the REC LED is lit (→ "Names of parts").
  - Check the remaining recordable time with the recording time (counter) shown on the Recording Screen (→ "Recording Screen").
  - Confirm that a microSD card is loaded properly in the card slot (→ "Inserting microSD cards").
  - If the HOLD function is on, buttons operations will be disabled. Disable the HOLD function (→ "Preventing misoperation").

**Other trouble**

- **Computer does not recognize the **H1n** even though they are connected by a USB cable**
  - Confirm that the OS of the connected computer is supported (→ "Connecting with other devices").
  - The USB function must be set on the **H1n** to allow the computer to recognize the **H1n** (→ "Connecting with other devices").
  - Confirm that the USB cable being used is not just for charging.
## Specifications

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<tr>
<th>Recording media</th>
<th>microSD/microSDHC cards (Class 4 or higher, up to 32 GB)</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Recording formats</td>
<td>WAV: 44.1 kHz/16-bit, 48 kHz/16-bit, 48 kHz/24-bit, 96 kHz/24-bit</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>MP3: 48 kbps, 128 kbps, 192 kbps, 256 kbps, 320 kbps</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Display</td>
<td>1.25&quot; monochrome LCD (96×64) with REC LED (red)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Inputs</td>
<td>Built-in mic</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>90° XY stereo format, 120 dB SPL maximum input sound pressure</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>−∞ dB – +39 dB input gain</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>MIC/LINE IN</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Input connector: stereo mini jack</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>−∞ dB – +39 dB input gain</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>2 kΩ or higher input impedance</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>plug-in power (2.5 V) supported</td>
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<tr>
<td>Outputs</td>
<td>Combined line/headphone stereo mini jack</td>
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<tr>
<td>Built-in speaker</td>
<td>500 mW 8Ω mono speaker</td>
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<td>USB</td>
<td>microUSB</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Mass storage class operation:</td>
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<td></td>
<td>USB 2.0 High Speed</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Audio interface operation:</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>USB class compliant</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>44.1/48kHz sampling rate, 16-bit depth, 2-in/2-out</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Transfer method: asynchronous</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Power</td>
<td>2 AAA batteries (alkaline, NiMH or lithium)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>AC adapter (ZOOM AD-17): DC 5V/1A</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Estimated continuous recording time using batteries</td>
<td>About 10 hours (alkaline batteries, using built-in mic, 44.1 kHz/16-bit)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Note: The above value is approximate.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Note: The continuous battery operation time was determined using in-house testing methods. It will vary greatly according to use conditions.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>External dimensions</td>
<td>50.0 mm (W) × 137.5 mm (D) × 32.0 mm (H)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Weight (main unit only)</td>
<td>60 g</td>
</tr>
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