

Nikon D780 Quick Start Guide

Photography Pre-check

- Carefully move the stand and attached camera to its ideal location for shooting.
- Adjust the height of the camera stand.
- Check that the lighting is setup and turned on.
- Check that the lens cover is removed from the front of the camera.
- Check that the circular front dial is turned to the “on” position. (located on the top, righthand side of the camera)
- Check the battery level on the screen to ensure the camera is charged.
- Check that the circular mid-dial (located on the top, left-hand side of the camera is set to “auto” mode. This mode is recommended, but for other shooting modes, press the circular button in the middle of the dial while turning to desired setting.

Taking Photos with Viewfinder

- Holding the handgrip in your right hand and cradling the camera body or lens with your left, frame your photo subject in the viewfinder.
- Position the photo subject in the AF-area brackets.
- Press the shutter-release button halfway to focus. (located in the middle of the on/off circular front dial.) Once the photo subject is steady, a black circle will appear on the screen.
- Smoothly press the shutter-release button the rest of the way down to take the photograph.
- To view photos taken, press the “play” button. (located to the left of the “trashcan” button) You can scroll through the photos by toggling the directional arrows to the left and right. To delete photos, press the button with the trashcan icon.

Taking Photos with Liveview

- ❑ To display the photo subject in the screen, rotate the Liveview “Lv” circular knob to the right so that the corresponding dot aligns with the camera icon. Press the “Lv” button in the center of the dial.
- ❑ Repeat steps above to take photo.
- ❑ Press the “Lv” button in the center of the dial to exit Liveview.

Taking Movies with Liveview

- ❑ To display the movie subject in the screen, rotate the Liveview “Lv” circular knob to the left so that the corresponding dot aligns with the movie icon. Press the “Lv” button in the center of the dial.
- ❑ Press the movie-record button (located to the bottom left of the on/off circular front dial) to start recording.
- ❑ Photos can be taken during filming by pressing the shutter-release button all the way down.
- ❑ Press the movie-record button again to end recording.
- ❑ Press the “Lv” button in the center of the dial to exit Liveview.
- ❑ To view movies taken, press the “play” button. (located to the left of the “trashcan” button) You can scroll through the movies by toggling the directional arrows to the left and right. Press OK to start playback. To delete movies, press the button with the trashcan icon.