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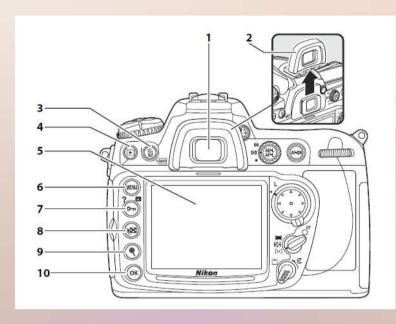




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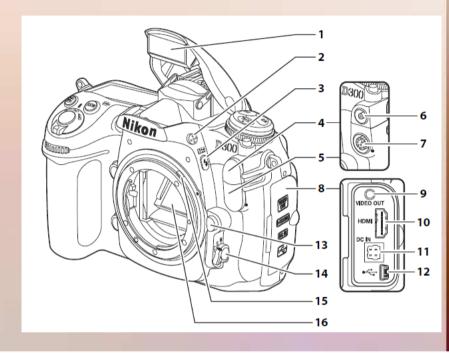
- After unpacking your camera, put your battery on change while you take time to read your manual.
- Much of the information could seem difficult to follow, so work through the basic camera setup.
- Understand the function of external buttons
- Understand navigation through the menus
- Place your manual in a zip lock bag and keep it with your camera (Prevents it getting dog eared)

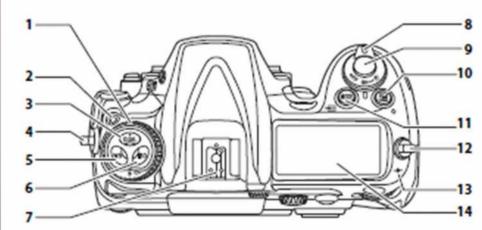
Just how complex is it really?











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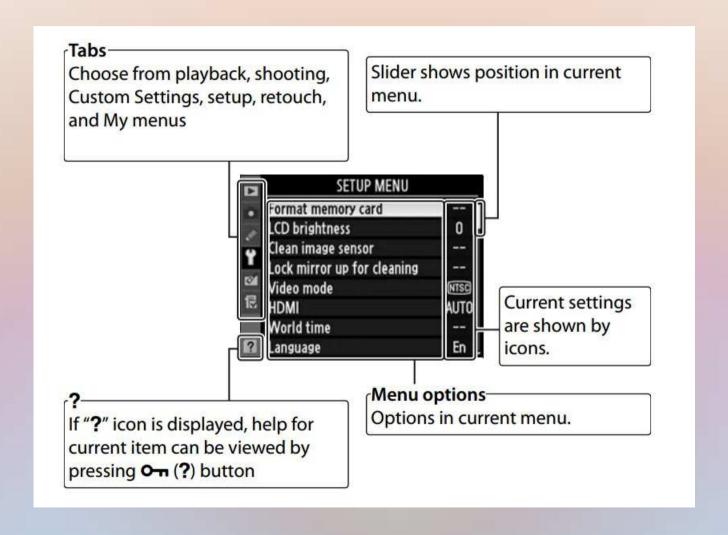
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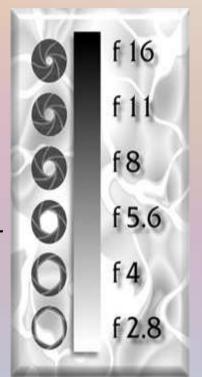
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Some Terminology

- Camera manufactures don't always use the same terminology – some common ones
- Shutter Priority is called 'S' or 'TV'
- Aperture Priority is called 'A' or 'AV'
- This is where most people get confused
- Aperture and 'F' Stops are the same thing expressed from an opposite view point
- Use 'F' Stops as they are used in camera



P: Programmed Auto

- In this mode, the camera automatically adjusts shutter speed and aperture according to a built in program to ensure optimal exposures for most situations.
- This mode is recommended for snapshots and other situations in which you want to leave the camera in charge of shutter speed and aperture
- A flex adjustment of the program mode may allow changing the 'F' Stop which also changes shutter speed for a custom program mode

S: Shutter Priority or TV

- In Shutter priority, you choose the shutter speed while the camera automatically selects the aperture
- Action can be frozen or blurred
- Slow shutter speeds where the shutter is open for a long time blur action, or can be used effectively when panning the shot
- Fast shutter speeds when the shutter is open for a very short time will freeze action

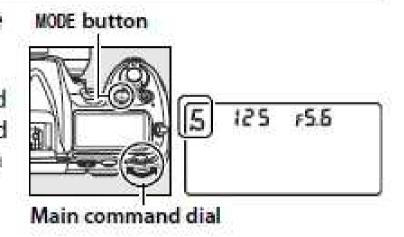


5: Shutter-Priority Auto

In shutter-priority auto, you choose the shutter speed while the camera automatically selects the aperture that will produce the optimal exposure. To take photographs in shutter-priority auto:

Select exposure mode
 5.

Press the MODE button and rotate the main command dial until 5 is displayed in the viewfinder and control panel.



2 Choose a shutter speed.

Rotate the main command dial to choose the desired shutter speed.

Shutter speed can be set to "x 25a" or to values between 30 s (3a'') and



¹/8,000 s (**Booo**). Use slow shutter speeds to suggest motion by blurring moving objects, high shutter speeds to "freeze" motion.



Shutter Priority



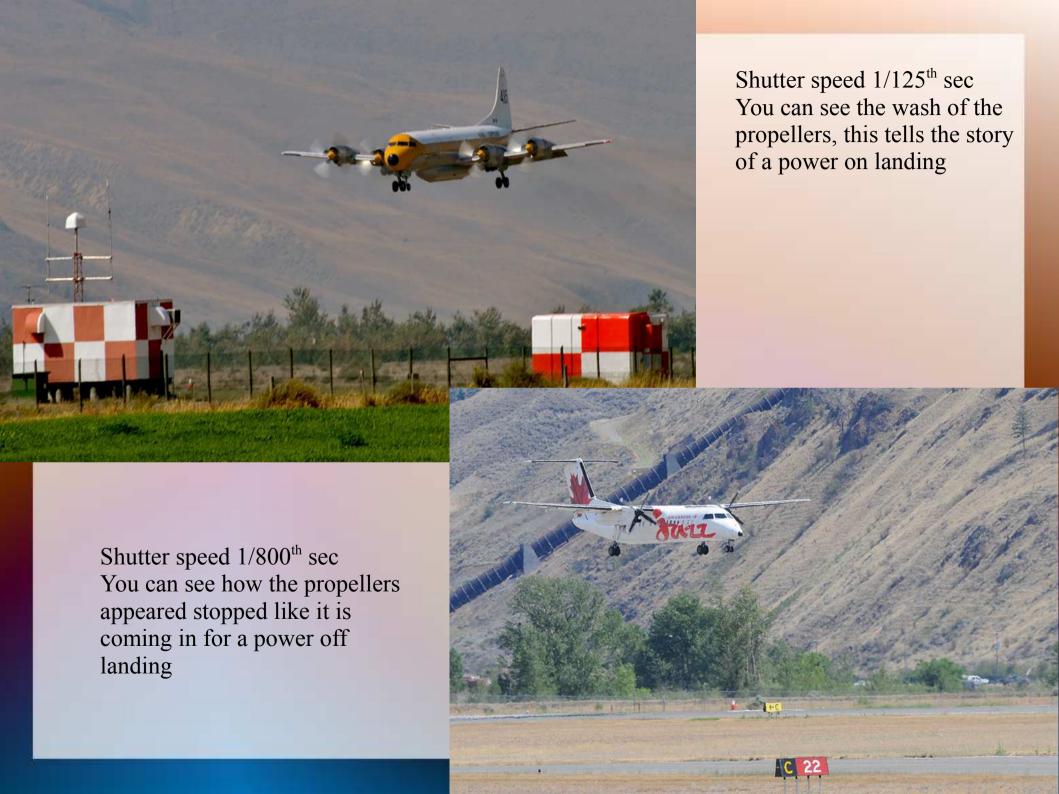
1/1000th second



1/800th second

What effect do you want to show with your speed setting?

1/40th second



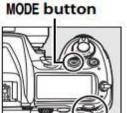


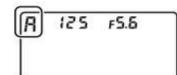
A: Aperture-Priority Auto

In aperture-priority auto, you choose the aperture while the camera automatically selects the shutter speed that will produce the optimal exposure. To take photographs in aperture-priority auto:

Select exposure mode R.

Press the MODE button and rotate the main command dial until R is displayed in the viewfinder and control panel.



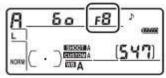


Main command dial

2 Choose an aperture.

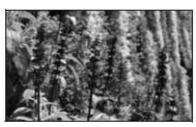
Rotate the subcommand dial to choose the desired aperture from values between the minimum and maximum for the





Sub-command dial

lens. Small apertures (high f-numbers) increase depth of field (see page 103), bringing both foreground and background into focus. Large apertures (low f-numbers) soften background details in portraits or other compositions that emphasize the main subject.



Small aperture (f/36)



Large aperture (f/2.8)

Aperture priority

Small 'F' stop gives shallow depth of field



F13

Different lenses have different depths of field for a given 'F' stop.

DOF = Depth of Field or Depth of Focus

Camera presets modes



Even at a basic level cameras may have additional preset modes



Control dial

Aperture Priority: You control the DOF with Aperture selection

Manual Mode: you are in full control



Night Portrait: Use with Flash and slow shutter to capture low ambient light









Shutter Priority: Set the shutter to blur or freeze action





Portrait: Shallow DOF to promote the subject

Sport Action: Fast shutter speed to freeze action



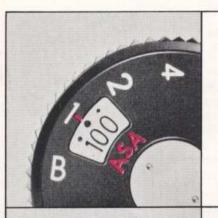


Landscape: High F stop to provide good DOF



Macro: Provides close focus and shallow DOF

Shooting Full Manual Mode



Set the film speed.

Lift the outer ring of the shutter speed dial, turn it around and set the same number as the ASA number of the loaded film to the small red index which appears alongside the figure 1.

Then cock the rapid wind lever.

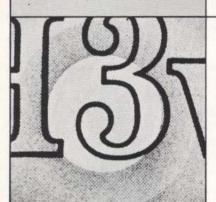


Set the shutter speed.

Turn the shutter speed dial and set the speed you wish to use to the index.

When outdoors, set the speed at 1/125 sec., or faster, depending upon the lighting. When indoors, set it at 1/30, or in its neighborhood. Change the shutter speed later, when necessary.

(Refer to 5, next page.)

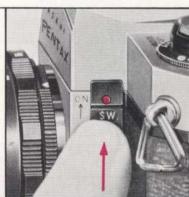


Compose and focus.

While viewing through the viewfinder, turn the distance scale ring with your thumb and index finger until you get the sharpest image of your subject at the microprism center of the finder. 4

Turn on the light meter switch.

Push up the switch button with your thumb, and the small window on the switch button will turn to red indicating that the meter is switched on. Through the viewfinder, you will observe the movement of the meter's needle on the right side of the ground glass. Be sure to turn off the meter's switch when not actually taking readings.



5 Rotate the diaphragm ring.

The needle moves up and down with the turn of the diaphragm ring. When the needle rests at the center, you will get correct exposure. If the needle does not come to the center no matter how far you turn the diaphragm ring, change the shutter speed. When the needle is off center and close to the (+) mark, you will get over-exposure: change the shutter speed to a faster setting. If the needle is closer to the (-) mark, you will get under-exposure: change the shutter speed to a slower setting.



6 Release the shutter.

Hold your camera firmly and trip the shutter. When the shutter is released, the meter switch will automatically turn off, and the needle will remain fixed at the center. The diaphragm will reopen to its full aperture and the overall image will look brighter. Cock the rapid wind lever for the next picture. (When taking a series of pictures under the same lighting conditions, it is not necessary to repeat the instructions given in 4 and 5.)



Understanding manual mode

- Manual mode, you are in full control
- A light meter will display in the eye piece
- Exposure has three components. Shutter speed, Aperture or 'F' Stop and ISO
- Decide what you want the image to look like. Set shutter speed and 'F' Stop
- Adjust ISO to bring light meter to the center or change the other settings as required.

Understanding displayed values

- Set ISO between 100 & 500 for this test
- Point camera at a point of interest
- In 'P' Mode it will show Shutter speed and 'F' Stop values, record these values
- 'S' Mode set shutter speed from 'P' mode and 'F' stop should be close to recorded
- 'A' Mode Set 'F' Stop from 'P' mode and 'F' Stop should be close to recorded

The light meter

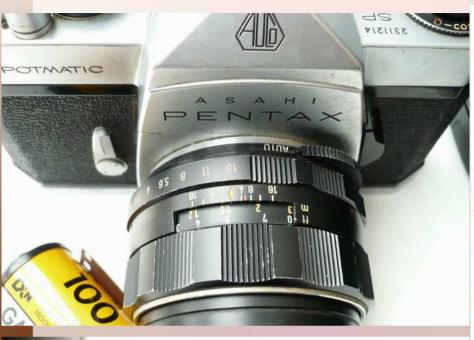
- You should have noticed that when setting the known values found in 'P' mode that 'A' & 'S' modes the numbers were very close
- If you put the same values from 'P' Mode into 'M' Mode the light meter should read in the middle

• In all cases you would have got a correctly exposed image in each mode. The values and exposure may vary slightly

COMMENT © +3 +2 +1 0 -1 -2 -3

Getting the right exposure





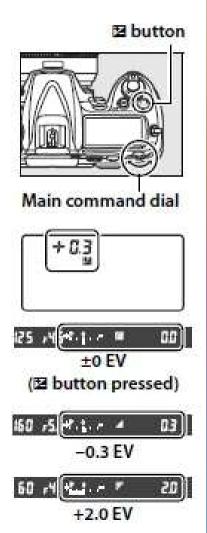


Exposure Compensation

Exposure compensation is used to alter exposure from the value suggested by the camera, making pictures brighter or darker. It is most effective when used with center-weighted or spot metering (see page 102).

In exposure mode n, only the exposure information shown in the electronic analog exposure display is affected; shutter speed and aperture do not change.

To choose a value for exposure compensation, press the button and rotate the main command dial until the desired value is displayed in the control panel or viewfinder.







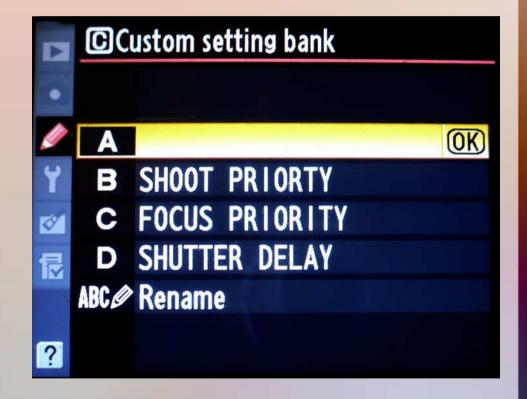
+0.7 Exposure compensation



+2.0 Exposure compensation

Custom menus

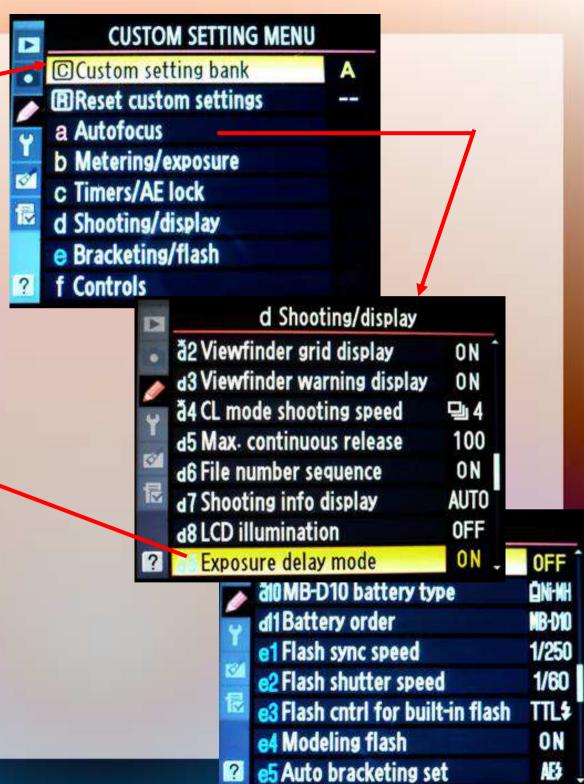
- The purpose of a custom menu is to provide your settings for particular conditions
- A Used for general shooting, adjusted often
- B I want to shoot and will take my chances that focus has been achieved
- C Focus must be achieved
- D my landscape settings

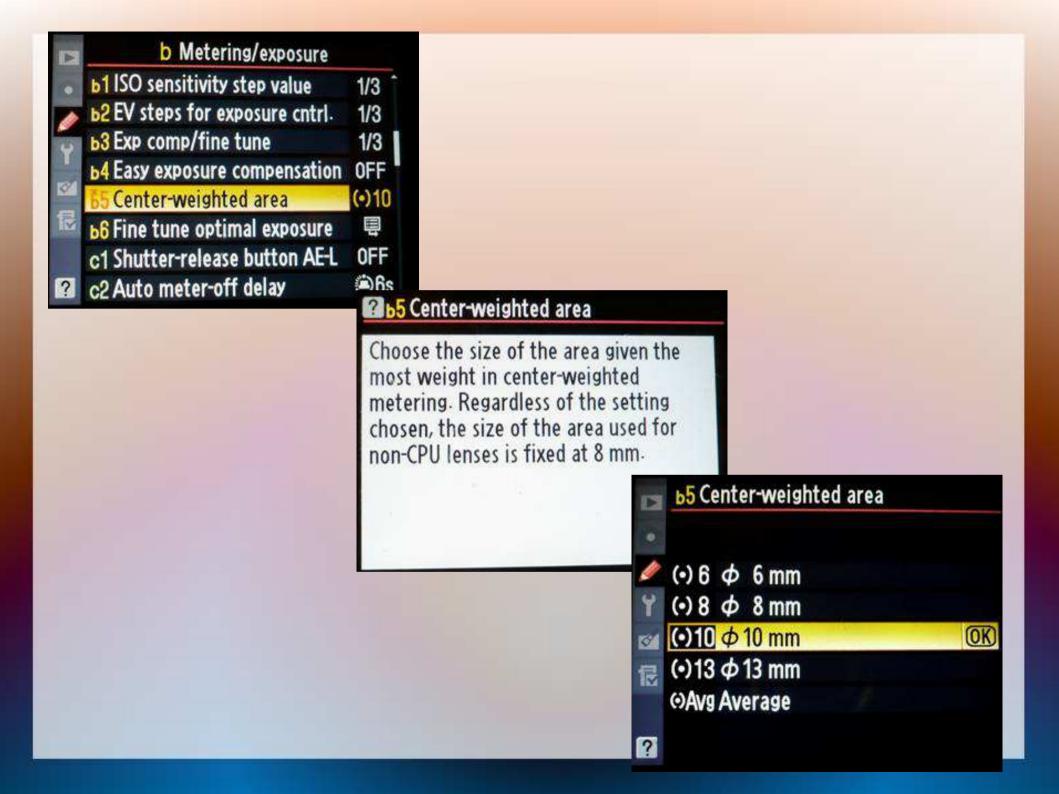






Choose "On" to delay shutter release until about one second after the mirror is raised. This reduces the effects of vibration caused by raising the mirror.







The BLINKIES

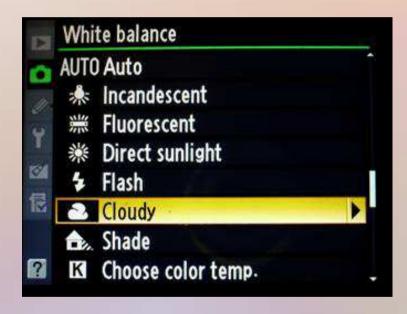
ad3 Viewfinder warning display

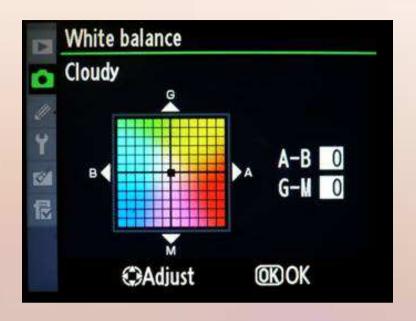
Choose "Off" to turn off the display of warnings in the viewfinder.

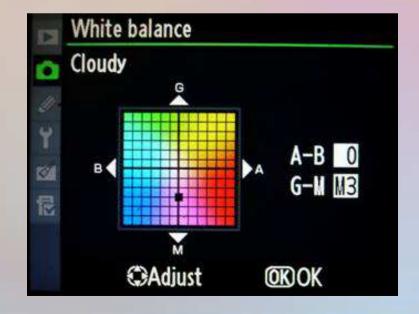
Shooting menus

- The purpose of a shooting menu is to provide your settings for particular conditions
- A Used for general shooting, adjusted often
- B − I want to shoot and achieve a particular look
- C Indoor shooting at the Tournament center
- D Ready for July 1st





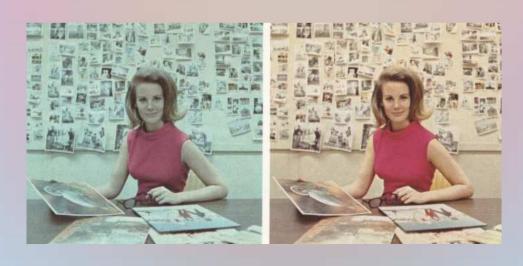




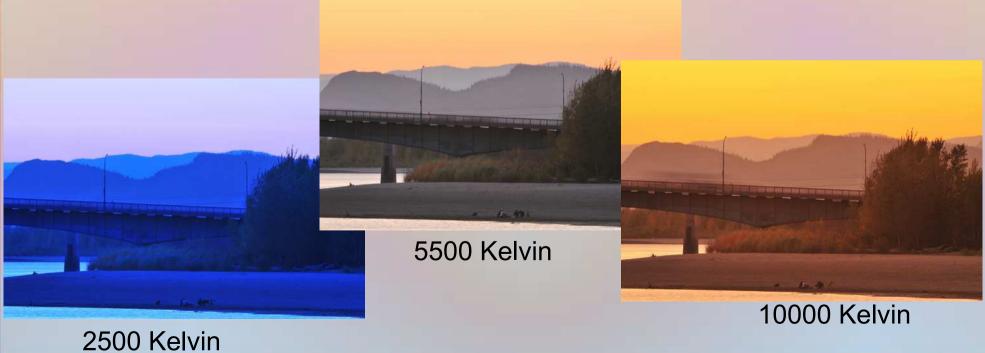
Why do we have white balance?

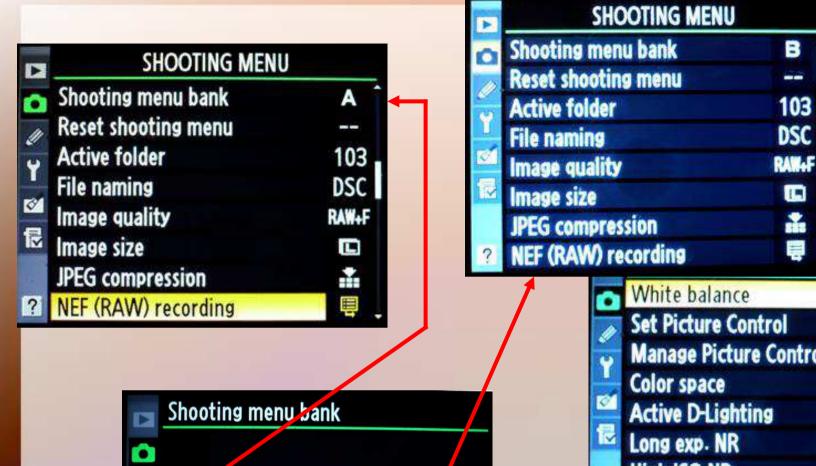
Again from days gone by, you had to decide where you would be shooting and what type of film you would use, indoor or outdoor for example.

Remember that orange cast when you took pictures under incandescent light while using outdoor film?









VIVID OUTDOOR AUTO

FIREWORKS

ABC Rename

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INDOORS @ TOURNAMENT



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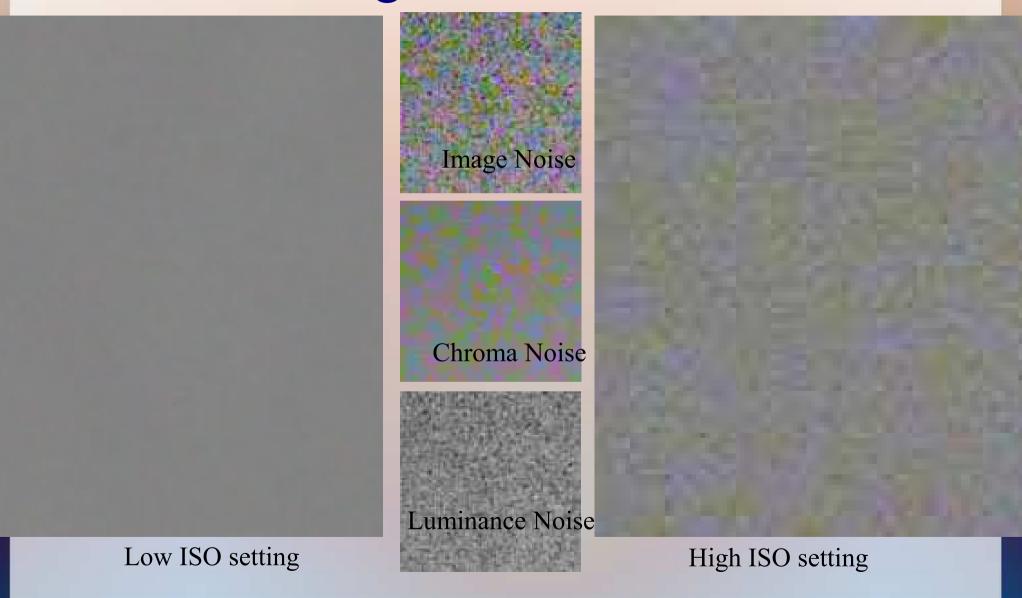


Increasing ISO increases grain

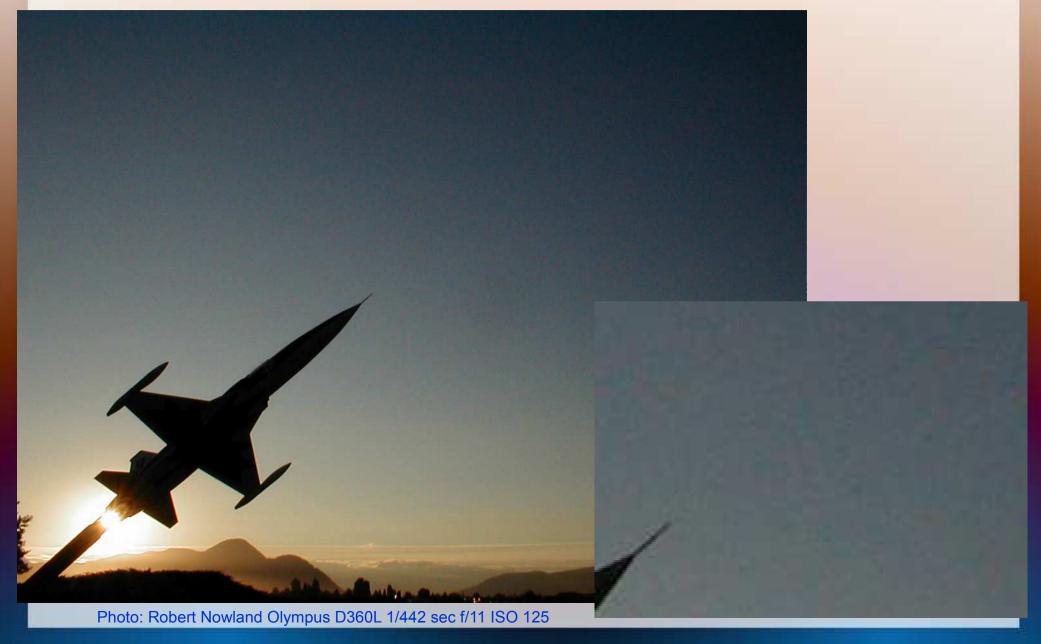
If you had shot film in the past, you probably noticed that as the ASA went up say from 64 to 400 the image would loose some sharpness and become grainy.

With Digital and depending on the sensor, pixel size and camera software, we will see an increase of **noise** as ISO increases by amplifying the available light.

What digital noise all about?



Noise in your images





NEF - Raw image files are sometimes called digital negatives

TIFF = Tagged Image File Format

JPG = Joint Photographic Experts Group

Memory Card Capacity

The following table shows the approximate number of pictures that can be stored on a 2 GB SanDisk Extreme III (SDCFX) card at different image quality and size settings.

Image quality	Image size	File size 1	No. of images 1	Buffer capacity
NEF (RAW), Lossless compressed, 12-bit	-	13.6 MB	98	18
NEF (RAW), Lossless compressed, 14-bit ³	10-0	16.7 MB	75	21
NEF (RAW), Compressed, 12-bit	-	11.3 MB	135	21
NEF (RAW), Compressed, 14-bit ³	::	14.2 MB	112	27
NEF (RAW), Uncompressed, 12-bit	::	19.4 MB	98	17
NEF (RAW), Uncompressed, 14-bit ³	V— 1	25.3 MB	75	16
	L	36.5 MB	52	16
TIFF (RGB)	M	21.2 MB	93	20
_	S	10.2 MB	208	29
	L	5.8 MB	276	43
JPEG fine 4	M	3.3 MB	488	89
STATE OF STATE OF	5	1.5 MB	1000	100
	L	2.9 MB	548	90
JPEG normal ⁴	M	1.6 MB	946	100
	S	0.7 MB	2000	100
	L	1.5 MB	1000	100
JPEG basic 4	М	0.8 MB	1800	100
W. (1200)	5	0.4 MB	3900	100



Questions?

