LCD Display / Basic Operation

Quick Guide

All DIP switches are located in battery compartment.

EV Readout (DIP Switch 1)
Set DIP Switch 1 (EV) to "ON". Select Ambient Mode. Hold Mode key down and turn JOG WHEEL until "EV" is displayed.

Mult Flash Mode (DIP Switch 2)
Set DIP Switch 2 (MULTI) to "ON". Hold Mode key down and turn JOG WHEEL to select Cord, Cordless or Radio Triggering Mode with "MLT" shown on display. Press Measure button (flash will fire) until tripod is needed; is achieved.

Full, 1/2 or 1/3 step display of Shutter Speed and Aperture Values (DIP Switches 3 & 4) Set DIP Switches as shown below.

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On/Off
Press down power key to turn on meter. Battery icon will appear. Monitors Battery level. Press and hold Power Key to turn off.

Set ISO 1 or ISO 2
Hold down ISO 1 or ISO 2 key while turning the JOG WHEEL.

Incident meter mode
Turn Luminisphere retracting ring clockwise to set the Luminisphere in the full UP right position. Select measuring mode then press measure button.

Reflected meter mode
Mount the Luminigrid (54") or optional NP (Spot) Finder 1", 5", or 10" to the meters receptor head. Select measuring mode then press measure button.

Measure Brightness / Contrast Difference
Turn Luminisphere retracting ring clockwise to lower the Luminisphere to the DOWN position. Select measuring mode then press measure button.

Ambient Reading
Select Ambient Mode by holding down the Mode key and turning the JOG WHEEL. Press the measure button.

Cord Flash Reading
Select Cord Flash Mode. Connect flash cord. Press measure button to trigger flash and measure light.

Cordless Flash Reading
Select Cordless Flash mode. Press measure button, trigger flash manually, meter measures light, automatically resets.

Radio Triggering Mode (with optional RT-32 Module)
Turn power OFF. Remove connector cover inside battery compartment. Install optional RT-32 Module. Turn Power ON. Hold MODE key in while turning the JOG WHEEL to 86 RADIO FLASH TRIGGERING MODE: a blinking channel number will appear. Turn JOG WHEEL to select channel number. Press mode key to select channel and/or channel Triggering pulses. Press MODE key or d in channels 17-32). Hold MODE key in while turning JOG WHEEL clockwise to return to 86 RADIO FLASH TRIGGERING MODE with tripod and shutter speed. Press measure button: simultaneously fires flash and measures light.

Advanced Functions - Sekonic L-358

Memory Function
Take measurement, press Memory button. Up to nine readings can be stored and displayed on the analog memory scale by repeating the procedure. A tenth measurement can also be displayed.

Memory Recall Function
After storing two or more readings in memory, press and hold both MODE and MEMORY while turning JOG WHEEL to view individual stored memory readings.

Averaging Function
After two or more measurements are memorized, toggle the AVE/CLR key. Averaged exposure will be displayed in digital and analog readouts. Operates in all measuring modes.

Brightness Difference Function
Can be used in all modes (incident, reflected, ambient and flash). Take measurement(s), press the AVE/CLR key, then press the Measure button.

Flash Analyzing
In all flash modes: take a flash measurement. A combined reading of both ambient and flash will be displayed. Turn the JOG WHEEL to adjust ratio between ambient and flash. Adjust aperture and shutter as needed on camera.

Exposure Compensation
Hold in both ISO 1 and ISO 2 simultaneously and turn the JOG WHEEL to exposure compensation needed between +/- 9.9 EV

Calibration
Meter must be turned off. Tap power button once while holding in ISO 1 and ISO 2 keys. CAL will be displayed on panel. Turn the JOG WHEEL while holding down both ISO keys to compensate between +/ 1.0 EV.

Motion Picture (CINE)
Turn the JOG WHEEL (in CINE Mode) past shutter speed 5000 to select 1/5 (frames per second). Press measure button.

Electronic JOG WHEEL Lock and Unlock:
Hold MODE key in. Toggle ISO 1 key to lock or unlock. "LoC" will appear briefly.