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Pentax MZ-50 autofocus 35mm SLR

Pentax F1:4~5.6 35-80 mm Lens

The Pentax MZ-50 is an autofocus 35mm SLR introduced by Pentax in 1997. The camera has several exposure modes. Settings are displayed in an LCD display next to the shutter release button, and selected using a mode dial on the left hand side of the top plate, and a lever-switch (in the collar of the release button) to navigate the menu in the display. The major modes are:

- 'Picture' mode: Fully programmed exposure, with sub-modes for general use ('Green'), biased for portraits (moderate depth of field), landscape, close-up (maximum depth of field) and action (fast shutter)
- T_v: Shutter-priority
- A_v: Aperture-priority
- M: Manual exposure

Pentax K and K_{AF} lenses are recommended for the camera. K_A-mount lenses will allow autofocus with an AF coupler. K-mount lenses will fit, but the camera will not stop down the diaphragm; the maximum aperture will always be used. The shutter is a vertical-travel focal plane shutter, which gives speeds from 1/2000 second to 30 seconds (steplessly variable when in the aperture AE or programmed modes), plus 'B' in manual exposure.

There is a built-in folding flash (Guide Number 11 in metres at ISO 100, but controlled automatically with several synchronisation modes). There is also a hot shoe, which couples with some dedicated Pentax flashes.

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There is a built-in film winder, which gives approximately two frames per second in consecutive mode, and automatic film rewind. The film can be rewound mid-roll.

The camera requires two CR2 3V lithium batteries.

Note

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