

IR FlexCam Thermal Imager

Getting Started Guide



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Introduction

Thank you for choosing the IR FlexCam[®] portable infrared camera (hereafter, "Camera").

The IR FlexCam is available in 7 models. The TiR2, Ti40 and Ti45 cameras use a detector with 160 x 120 resolution. The TiR3, TiR4, Ti50 and Ti55 cameras use a detector with 320 x 240 resolution. The visible light camera module (VLCM) and IR-Fusion® functions make it easier than ever to manage and analyze images captured with this system and improve reporting abilities. The unique control image and IR-Fusion® technology enables you to combine visible light images—like a normal digital camera—and infrared images together to create a single image with greatly enhanced detail. This is especially helpful in low contrast scenes where the temperature differential is minimal and the infrared image appears to be all one color.

This Guide describes the basic functions of the camera. Refer to the CD for complete user information.

How to Contact Fluke

To contact Fluke, call one of the following telephone numbers:

1-800-760-4523 in USA

1-800-363-5853 in Canada

+31-402-675-200 in Europe

+81-3-3434-0181 in Japan

+65-738-5655 in Singapore

+1-425-446-6888 from anywhere in the world

Or, visit Fluke's website at www.fluke.com.

To register your product, visit http://register.fluke.com.

To view, print, or download the latest manual supplement, visit http://us.fluke.com/usen/support/manuals.

Safety Information

Use your Camera only as specified in this manual.

A **\(\Delta\) Warning** identifies hazardous conditions and actions that could cause bodily harm or death.

A **Caution** identifies conditions and actions that could damage the camera or cause permanent loss of data.

- To avoid damaging your Camera, treat it with care as you would any type of precision equipment.
- Your infrared camera is a precision instrument that uses a sensitive infrared (IR) detector. Pointing your camera towards highly-intense energy sources—including devices that emit laser radiation and reflections from these devices—may adversely affect camera accuracy and may harm or permanently damage your camera's IR detector.
- Your camera requires three minutes to warm up before accurate measurements are available.

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- Your camera contains a Class 2 laser pointer. See diagram in Appendix B of the Users Manual for laser aperture location.
- To avoid eye damage, do not point laser directly at eye or indirectly off reflective surfaces.
- Use of controls or adjustments or performance or procedures other than those specified herein may result in hazardous laser radiation exposure.
- Do not use camera in a manner not specified in this manual or the protection provided by the equipment may be impaired.

Table 1. Symbols

Symbol	Description	Symbol	Description
	Class 2 laser pointer	Hg	Contains Mercury. Dispose Properly.
	On Off Symbol		Important information. See manual.
C€	Conforms to requirements of European Union and European Free Trade Association.		
<u> </u>	Do not dispose of this product as unsorted municipal waste. Go to Fluke's website for recycling information.		
Ž.	This camera contains a lithium battery. Do not mix with the solid waste stream. Spent batteries should be disposed of by a qualified recycler or hazardous materials handler per local regulations. Contact your authorized Fluke Service Center for recycling information.		

Standard Accessories

If any of the standard accessories shown in Figure 1 and described in Table 2 are missing or damaged, contact a Fluke customer service representative. The *Users Manual* is available on the CD-ROM that ships with your camera.

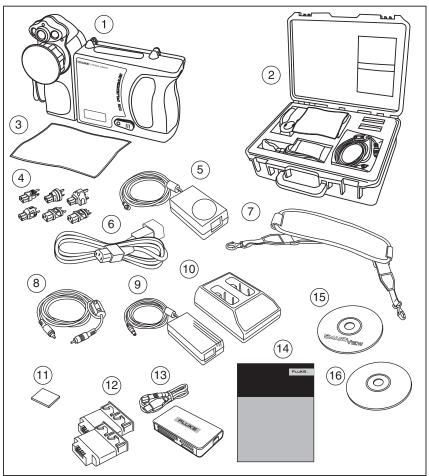


Figure 1. Standard Accessories

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Table 2. Standard Accessories

Number	Description		
1	Portable Infrared Camera with Lens Cap		
2	Camera Carrying Case		
3	LCD Cleaning Cloth		
4	AC adapters (2) or equivalent		
(5)	Auxiliary AC Power Supply (TiR2, TiR4, Ti45 and Ti55 only) or equivalent		
6	AC Patch Cord or equivalent		
7	Neck Strap		
8	Video Cable		
9	AC Power Supply		
10	Battery Charger		
11	Compact Flash Memory Card		
12	Two Rechargeable Batteries		
13	Multifunction Memory Card Reader with USB Adapter		
14)	Getting Started Guide		
15	SmartView® Software CD (includes SmartView Users Manual)		
16	FlexCam Documentation CD (Users Manuals)		

Charge and Insert Battery

Charge the batteries for 3 hours before use. Use only the rechargeable batteries and charger supplied with your camera. A battery is fully charged when the green LED light on the charger remains solid. To begin using, insert a charged battery into the bottom of the Camera as shown in Figure 2.

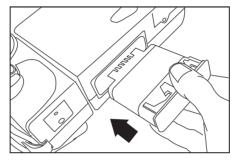


Figure 2. Charge and Insert the Battery

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Power Camera On

With a charged battery inserted, press as shown in Figure 3. lights up green, and the start-up screen appears after approximately 10 seconds. IR Images will appear in about 30 seconds and calibrated temperature reading will appear in about 3 minutes.

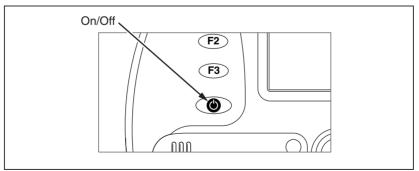


Figure 3. Turning the Power On and Off

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Insert Memory Card

- 1. Pull cover up and rotate as shown in Figure 4.
- 2. Insert the Compact Flash memory card into the slot with the card's connection end pointed at the camera and the label with MB size facing the back of the camera
- 3. Look for the "Compact Flash Card inserted" message on the camera display screen.
- 4. Close the cover.

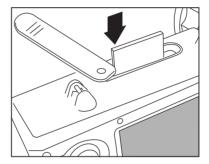


Figure 4. Inserting a Memory Card

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Focus

Remove the lens cap, point the lens at the target, and manually rotate the lens with your finger, as shown in Figure 5, until the image is in focus.

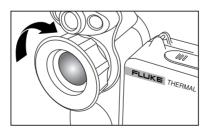


Figure 5. Focusing the Camera

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Set Temperature Level and Span

- 1. Press ⓐ as shown in Figure 6 to automatically set the camera's temperature level and span.
- 2. Press again as needed to properly scale the image.

Note

Repeat Focus and Set Temperature Level and Span as needed to obtain desired image quality.

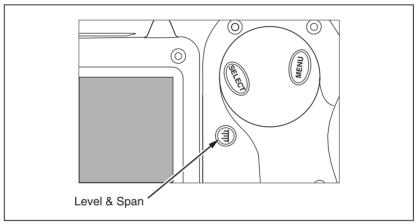


Figure 6. Setting the Level and Span

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Set IR-Fusion® Blend Level

Note

Fusion blending is disabled with optional 10 and 54-mm lenses.

Set the IR-Fusion® blend level with the following steps:

- 1. Press and hold (a) until the IR-Fusion blend level control box appears on the display screen.
- 2. While continuing to press ⓐ, use the mouse controller shown in Figure 7 to slide the IR-Fusion® blend level bar in the control box to the desired setting.
- 3. Tap the trigger button as shown in Figure 8 to retain settings.

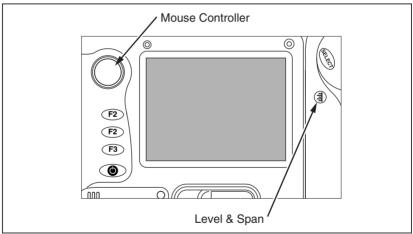


Figure 7. Setting the IR-Fusion® Blend Level

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Capturing an Image

- 1. Tap the trigger button once to pause the live image.
- 2. Review the image and camera settings.
- 3. Press and hold the trigger button for 2 seconds to capture (save) the image. The image file name appears in the upper left-hand corner of the display screen indicating the image is saved on the memory card.

Note

The memory card must be inserted into the camera to save and store images.

4. Tap the trigger button to return to scan target mode.

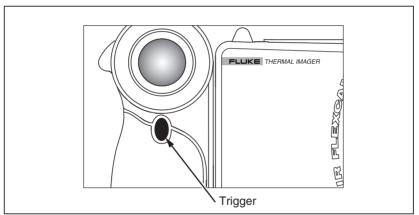


Figure 8. Capturing an Image

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SmartView Software for Your PC

Your system includes a CD containing SmartView® software that you install on your personal computer. SmartView, together with your Camera, enables vou to:

- Transfer thermographic images to a computer and efficiently manage them
- Optimize and analyze your infrared and visible light control images
- Create and print detailed, professional reports containing important image data

SmartView image analysis software is compatible with any personal computer running Microsoft Windows 2000/XP/Vista (32 bit). This software is provided on the SmartView CD-ROM disk included with your camera.

To install SmartView software on your computer:

- Start your computer and close any open applications.
- 2. Insert the CD-ROM disk containing the SmartView software in the CD-ROM drive
 - If the SmartView CD does not start automatically, use Windows explorer to locate the file named "setup.exe" on the CD-ROM. Start the CD by double-clicking the "setup.exe" file.
- Follow the on-screen instructions to complete the installation. 3



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