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Faster cards will ensure that you can keep filming for longer. Look out for "UHS Speed Class 3" for best in class power and speed performance. Both look pretty amateurish. Not only will this cut out extraneous light, it will magnify the screen to make fine adjustments easier to see. Aside from its habit of picking up the sounds of the camera itself, it is omnidirectional and uncontrollable. In fact, great audio can disguise poor visuals better than the other way around. Use a tripod or monopod, rest on a stable surface or shorten the camera strap and pull it taut against the back of your neck. At the very least, the beginning and end bits will probably need chopping off, and most clips would probably benefit from being shortened too. As I understand, when you have a full crew with director, actors, scripts, etc, a scene is rehearsed and there are marks where an actor is supposed to stand at certain points. Getting the focus settings could be regarded as an addendum to script, and the focus puller needs to learn that. In same way you want a specific composition, color or DOF, you choose focus, thats it. However, recently some advocate for AF video shooting, which makes things very, very easy albeit less controlling. However, what is OK in an amateur video, where the focus focused on wrong thing is not a tragedy, you cant allow camera to decide focus for multimillion dollar productions if focus is wrong, you to have to reshoot etc, spend more money instead just hire a focus puller and thats it. We amateur doing casual video for our vacation, family event or even a wedding, dont have that luxury where the subject is scripted. And there is time to shoot and reshoot. We amateur doing casual video for our vacation, family event or even a wedding, dont have that luxury where the subject is scripted. Takes practice, and some fiddling with the peaking settings, though. And there is time to shoot and reshoot. <http://www.f2dassociates.com/userfiles/cylinda-10505-manual.xml>

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I also shoot video from behind the camera, not in front. Also, manual focus allows the camera to maintain a specific focal plane. Thus, not shifting small amounts causing the background to pulse. With manual focus, you can control the speed of the focus change to adapt to the motion of the scene or the mood of the shot. These that have focus by wire or electric focus rings. Very smooth light one finger turn focus rings. And with a long throw. With Lumix cameras, focus peaking shows up in manual focus mode, not on AFC modes or AFF. Thus, with these focus aids and lenses, manual focusing is real easy to do. And best part is it can be done hand held without compromising smoothness and stability. It all depends on what the situation is and what the shooting conditions are. Much like photography, knowing how to manual focus, and knowing when to use it is a great skill to have. And no rule to use one type of tracking focus mode. The focusing reacts to how quickly you turn the focus ring, not the position of the focus ring, rendering a follow focus rig virtually useless, other than giving you better ergonomics for turning the focus ring. If you want to pursue manual focus, it would be good to get a couple of manual focus lenses. You'll have no AF, but you will have predictable focusing. Between that and manual focus with focus peaking, and using higher F stops to create more depth of field, you can keep a pretty good handle on focus. With Panasonic, a new focus touch creates a sudden lurch to the new focus point, which does not look good on video. The XT3 also has a linear option for manual focusing, making their focusbywire lenses act like manual focus lenses. Granted, you lose a bit of image quality, but in my Youtube productions incorporating the S9 footage with my GX85s and G7, the S9 footage actually looks better, probably due to the increased saturation and oversharpening Samsung bakes into their video.

Heres a video on how to use the AF with the new S1 cameras, that gives you some idea about where Panasonic is going with their AF tech. Heres a video on how to use the AF with the new S1 cameras, that gives you some idea about where Panasonic is going with their AF tech. I wouldnt believe too far into the negative generalization of LUMIX AF. Reality is, its not all that bad. And it depends more on skill level and ability than anything else. It works for thousands of Panasonic video and photo shooters, but will not work for everyone. And the recent cameras have much improved AF over the GH4. And there is time to shoot and reshoot. We amateur doing casual video for our vacation, family event or even a wedding, dont have that luxury where the subject is scripted. You cannot simply group all types of video into one lump and try to decide if manual focus or autofocus is a better option. A director will control that along with every other element of the production. However, rather getting into the weeds on this topic I will simply point out that 99.9% of those videos are not compelling for an audience to watch. Making good video is incredibly hard and has almost nothing to do with gear. I wouldnt believe too far into the negative generalization of LUMIX AF. And the recent cameras have much improved AF over the GH4. Heres a video on how to use the AF with the new S1 cameras, that gives you some idea about where Panasonic is going with their AF tech. Heres a video on how to use the AF with the new S1 cameras, that gives you some idea about where Panasonic is going with their AF tech. I wouldnt believe too far into the negative generalization of LUMIX AF. And the recent cameras have much improved AF over the GH4. I wouldnt believe too far into the negative generalization of LUMIX AF. And the recent cameras have much improved AF over the GH4. In my use of GX85, I have not really seen it. Granted, I used only native lenses with either power stabilization or OIS.

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I liked GX IBIS so much that I decided not buy any gimbal for this camera. Despite a couple of quirks, we think its a camera that photographers and nonphotographers alike will find fun to use. 1454 Sony a7C initial review Compact size, big sensor image quality first impressions Sep 15, 2020 at 0100 Sonys a7C is among the smallest fullframe mirrorless cameras you can buy, and in terms of core capability, not much has been sacrificed for the sake of compactness. But are you ready to make it your next goto travel camera. Find out how it stacks up in our initial review. 502 Panasonic

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We've chosen cameras that can take great photos and make it easy to get great looking video, rather than being the ones you'd choose as a committed videographer. Best cameras for travel in 2020 Sep 9, 2020 at 0215 Whats the best camera for travel. Good travel cameras should be small, versatile, and offer good image quality. In this buying guide weve roundedup several great cameras for travel and recommended the best. The best lenses for Sony mirrorless cameras Sep 4, 2020 at 2215 Whether youve grown tired of what came with your DSLR, or want to start photographing different subjects, a new lens is probably in order. Weve selected our favorite lenses for Sony mirrorless cameras in several categories to make your decisions easier. Jazzy colors by bombelpl from Alphabet soup II. Aside from the obvious manual or autofocus choice you also have technique, technical and creative choices to make. It means you keep control over the focusing in the scene and don't have to rely on technology to do the work for you. AF systems can be sluggish to adjust and if a subject is moving there is the risk that an AF system may hunt for it or suddenly pop from one plane of focus to another. To avoid this you'll have to focus manually. If in doubt, stick to manual focus! This technology was developed to provide smooth focus tracking in movies and fast AF for stills in Live View mode. Essentially it was meant to give more control over focus for movies. Without delving too deeply into the technical side of things with face and object tracking engaged on the 70D, Movie Servo AF follows a chosen subject as it moves or when a scene is recomposed. This can be turned on and off or paused and within it various AF methods are available. These include a Tracking mode, FlexiZoneAF Multi and FlexiZoneAF Single. Tracking uses facial tracking technology and is a simple way to track the movement of a subject, such as a talking head, with a stationary camera.

FlexiZoneAF Single allows you to manually set focus wherever you want in the frame just by tapping the touchscreen at the point where a person or object you want to be in focus is. You don't want an AF system to start hunting for focus away from your subject, for example. If you're on the move you'll have to deploy a gimbal or easily movable steady support, such as a Glidecam, but you must maintain the same speed and relative distance as your subject in order to keep them in focus at all times. This is focus pulling aka rack focus. Before shooting you also need to check out exactly the direction and exactly how far you want to move the focusing ring to switch the point of focus. If you start to shoot a lot of pull focus situations it may be worth investing in such an accessory that will help you execute focus pulls smoothly and accurately. One of these is the loupe. Different loupes offer different variations of magnification to help you see and focus accurately. They are often helpful when shooting video as if one person is operating the camera other people can view the footage offcamera as it is being captured. An external monitor can also be useful for the videographer who simply wants to view the scene unfolding before his camera on a larger display

than that of the camera's builtin LCD panel. You need to take a little bit of time to get used to using one of these but they can be invaluable for focus pulls. An affordable option is the FocusShifter, which was specifically designed for videography using DSLRs or mirrorless cameras. Don't be afraid to experiment and to find out what type of focusing works best for you. As a good rule of thumb, don't rely on AF if you're not guaranteed the accurate focus results that you want. Creative focusing can add depth, impact and power to your storytelling, so investing time in planning how you're going to focus during each shot of your film will be worth it when it comes to working with your footage in the edit.

All rights reserved. To focus the camera in Live View, using AF, simply frame up your shot, and press the shutter button half way down. When the red box turns green, your subject is in focus. For the more adventurous, you can also manually focus the camera by switching the AF button on the side of the camera from AF to M. Remember to check your camera's User's Manual for instructions on its particular menu navigation and dial layout. Rack Focus or Pulling Focus Technique One of the techniques that Hollywood cinematographers employ often is the rack focus or focus pull. This is where one subject in a scene foreground or background is in focus and gradually the focus changes to another subject in the scene. This is a technique that allows the cinematographer to put a dramatic emphasis on one subject and then change that emphasis to another. It is often done in scenes where there is dramatic dialog between characters. To do this, choose one subject to focus on. Say the subject in the foreground. Focus on that subject and then slowly and smoothly turn the focus ring on the lens barrel until the subject in the background becomes sharp. Thirdparty Focus Assist Accessories There are a variety of accessories made by thirdparty companies that help you focus the HDSLR when shooting video. One of these is the Loupe or Finder. A Loupe attaches to the camera, covering the LCD so you can bring the camera to your eye as if you were using the viewfinder to frame your scenes. Different loupes offer different variations of magnification to help you see and focus accurately. Another accessory is the External Monitor. This is often helpful to use when you are shooting video with one person operating the camera and another person who also needs to see the footage as it is being captured. An external monitor can also be useful for the videographer who wants to view the scene unfolding before his camera on a larger display than the builtin LCD.

A third accessory is a Follow Focus system that will attach to the lens and allow the camera operator to more easily control the motion of the rack focus. Remember to check your HDSLR camera's User's Manual for instructions on its particular menu navigation and dial layout. Music by Dave Christian. This Article Goes Great With These Products 1 1 1 of 0 More Like This More articles like this Article Collections Articles like this, right in your inbox. Your Information First Name required Last Name required Email required Country required United States Brazil Canada English Canada French Latin America Mexico Other By clicking Sign Up, you are opting to receive educational and promotional emails from Nikon Inc. You can update your preferences or unsubscribe any time. Popular Topics View More More from Nikon 1 1 1 of 0 Close Window Share this article by email Your email has been sent We like sharing articles, too. Sign Up for Emails How to Film Using Autofocus, Rack Focus and Manual Focus Techniques for Video Focusing tips for HDSLR video shooting Close Window Your message is sending A Z Index Close Topics AZ Close Topics AZ Close Topics AZ Your Information First Name required Last Name required Email required Country required United States Brazil Canada English Canada French Latin America Mexico Other By clicking Sign Up, you are opting to receive promotional, educational, ecommerce and product registration emails from Nikon Inc. It is very offputting when your subject is even slightly out of focus and it can result in people quickly turning off. The first is for YouTube style videos like this, the second is shooting on the move using manual focus and the third is using the advanced autofocus features of a new camera like a Canon 80d, Canon 70d or Canon 700d with face detection. Before shooting a video set up something like a light stand or a microphone stand. Position it as close to where your eyes will be

as possible.

This will be the point where you focus the camera. Lock the focus into manual before returning to the original position. This is a good way to ensure your focus is accurate to a very fine margin. Remember do not then adjust your position, or the camera position, or you will have to go through the process again. Put your camera into manual focus mode and start filming. Use the focus ring to adjust focus as necessary for your shot. Extra accessories like a follow focus, magnifying screen or external monitor can make this easier. You can also shoot with a smaller aperture so your depth of field is large. This means your focus does not have to be quite as accurate. With face detection switched on the cameras do a pretty good job of keeping you in focus but you can also tap the screen to focus into that area. Combined with the new STM lenses this makes autofocusing a real pleasure although sometimes it will hunt around going in and out of focus for no apparent reason. First Man Photography is a trading name of First Man Ltd. Registered office Fairfax House, 6a Mill Field Road, Cottingley, Bingley, England, BD16 1PY. Registered in ENGLAND Company number 9681669. If you don't have a focus puller following you around, or fancy remote control focus systems, it's a constant struggle. That's why we often see cameras locked off on tripods and sliders with static subjects that rarely move. Filmmaker Parker Walbeck demonstrates some of these techniques in this recently video. None of these techniques are always perfect, though, and Parker talks about the advantages and disadvantages of each. If we break the techniques down a little, the other pros and cons of each become quite obvious. Keeping the same distance from your subject for the whole shot means that your subject will stay in focus the whole time. It's essentially the technique that vloggers use when filming themselves.

They point the camera toward their face, adjust the focus, and as long as the length of your arm doesn't change through the shot, you should always be in focus. But, it is vital to maintain the same speed and relative position as your subject. It's very easy to move slightly slower or faster than your subject and not notice they're no longer in focus, especially in bright sunlight. Here, Parker holds the glidecam in one hand, with the weights helping to keep it more stable, while manually adjusting the focus with the other. But this technique can also work with the camera handheld, or using a monopod, too. Even when your camera's locked off on a tripod, using a photography lens's focus ring to try to maintain focus on a moving subject is difficult. This one will take a lot of practise. It's also not that easy to use with something like a motorised gimbal, as you often need both of your hands to hold them. Exactly how much will depend on the lens you're using and the size of the sensor in your camera. You will lose that shallow depth of field, but it's a lot easier to keep your subject sharp and in focus when the entire scene is sharp and in focus. It's pretty quick and accurate compared to most other camera autofocus systems. It certainly doesn't hunt as much as my Nikons do. This seems to be becoming the standard now in new Canon bodies, although older Canon owners won't have this in their systems. Nor do Nikon, Sony, Panasonic or other video shooters. So, how useful this actually is will depend on your gear's capabilities. Although even advanced autofocus systems can still get confused. Perhaps it "sees" a face in trees or clouds behind you and locks onto that. Or maybe an actual person walks into your shot and the camera focuses on them instead of you. They may not all be useful all the time, and a couple will definitely require some practise and multiple takes to get perfect. But, you can never know too many different ways to do something.

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purchase through links on our site, we may earn an affiliate commission. Learn more The autofocus systems on modern cameras are sophisticated enough to be tailored to all kinds of scenes and subjects, but almost every camera also allows you to do things the old fashioned way and focus manually instead. Believe it or not, manual focus has evolved in the digital age alongside autofocus systems. But why would you want to do this. And what exactly do you gain. Whether you've never used it before, or you know your way around but you want to know how to get the best out of it, read on. What does manual focus do. Manual focus is useful when there are obstructions between you and the subject, ones that may confuse your autofocus system Manual focus allows you to focus using a ring around the lens, or an equivalent control on your camera body, as an alternative to your camera's autofocus system. It's usually accessed through a physical switch on lenses intended for use with DSLRs and mirrorless cameras. On compact cameras, it will typically be an option you select and adjust through the camera's controls, rather than those on the lens although there are a handful of exceptions.

Look out for symbol MF, as this may be written somewhere on the body, although quite where this control is, and how it's identified, varies across cameras and lenses. If in any doubt, it's best to consult your manual. You still have the same focusing range available to you whether you use autofocus or manual focus. So, if you can focus as close as 1m away from the subject and as far as infinity, that won't change as you switch between the two methods. When should I use manual focus. You can use manual focus whenever you like, although it's particularly useful in five situations. The first is when there is low contrast in the scene. Your camera's autofocus system relies on there being enough light to reflect off, or emanated from, your subjects for it to sense where to needs to focus. When this doesn't happen, it might struggle to lock on to your subject. This can also happen when there is too much harsh light, such as when shooting a subject against the sun. Low light and low contrast can be tricky for some autofocus systems, so manual focus may help you here. The second scenario is when the subject itself is low in contrast, or has few distinguishable details which make it more difficult for the camera to identify, such as the petals of a flower. It may also be the case that that subject is very small or visually similar to its background. The stamens inside a flower, for example, may be too fine for your camera's autofocus system to pick out, and so manual focus may be required here although you may find success using a smaller autofocusing point if there's some way to adjust this on your camera. It may also be the case that your scene is well lit but it contains a number of subjects, and the one you want to focus on isnt as distinct in some way as another. Here, your camera may not know were you want to focus and will automatically select the more visually obvious one.

This tends to happen when shooting a subject through a fence or the branches of a tree, for example. Manual focus is useful when the subject is visually similar to its surroundings or background, such as the stamens on this flower. The fourth situation is when shooting video. It may be that you're using an older manual focus lens, in which case autofocus won't be an option available to you, but you need to shift focus between two elements in the scene. Some cameras may be able to use autofocus here in a smooth and professionallooking manner, but you may find a result that's more in line with your vision by manually focusing instead. This is also one way to either cut down or eliminate the noises of focusing motors inside the lens, which might otherwise be picked up on recordings. Finally, you may want to use manual focus when it's simply not possible to focus on a subject, potentially because it's not turned up yet and may move too quickly for it to be focused on in time. Here, you can either use manual focus to find the position in which you think it will appear, which will save you fumbling around when it eventually does, although you may be able to use autofocus if there is another subject at the same distance. Quick tip if you do use this, ensure you also select an aperture that will provide enough depth of field to render it in focus should your calculations regarding its position be slightly off. How to use manual focus Many lenses have focus distance windows, which show you where the lens is focusing in metres and feet. This works in both

autofocus and manual focus Using manual focus is simple. Once you've set the camera or lens to the manual focus option, simply turn the focusing ring and watch what happens in the viewfinder or the LCD screen. When you get to the point at which focus looks right, and the subject is the sharpest it can be, stop turning the ring and take the picture.

Your lens may have a small window that displays the focusing distance as you rotate the focusing ring, which you may find useful. Otherwise, the focusing distance may be displayed on the LCD screen or in the viewfinder or both. If you're using an optical or electronic viewfinder, make sure the diopter is set for your vision. This control is usually found to the side of your viewfinder, and you should calibrate this by rotating it until everything inside the viewfinder appears as sharp as possible. This doesn't change focus itself, but getting it tuned to your eyesight will ensure that you're seeing the scene as it will eventually be captured. Taking it to the next level Today's cameras and lenses typically offer a few additional tools to help you get the most out of manual focus. Some of these may automatically spring to life as you start to use manual focus, while others may need to be enabled first. The oldest of these is manual focus override. This is usually found on a camera's lens, and it allows you to use the autofocus system before you finetune focus manually with the focusing ring, without you needing to switch the camera or lens to manual focus. This provides convenience and control, and it's useful if the subject suddenly moves and you need to make a final adjustment. Be aware that on some lenses, the default autofocus position may give you this control as standard. Some lenses have specific controls for manual focus override, such as the MO option on this Sigma lens A more recent control, and one that's most commonly seen on compacts and mirrorless cameras, is magnification of the scene. This typically activates itself as soon as you start to rotate the focusing ring, as it can sense that you're trying to manually focus. By doing so, it can provide you with a better idea of exactly what's in and isn't in focus.

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