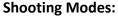
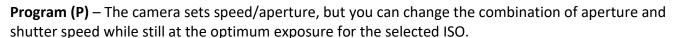
# **Camera Controls You Should Know**



**Automatic (Auto)** – The camera sets speed and aperture to what it determines to be the optimum exposure for the selected ISO.



**Aperture (A)** - You set the aperture and the camera determines the speed for the selected ISO.

Speed (S/Tv) - You set the shutter speed and the camera determines the aperture for the selected ISO.

**Depth of field (DoF)** - Remember a larger aperture, a lower f stop (f/3.5), gives a shallow DoF. A smaller aperture, a higher f stop (f/16), gives a wider DoF.

f/3.5 f/16

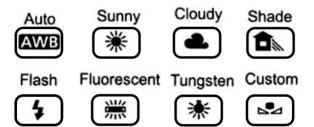
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The closer you move to the subject, the DoF gets shallower. As you move further away the DoF gets wider.

As you increase the lens's focal length, the DoF becomes shallower.

**ISO** - Controls the camera's light sensitivity. The higher the ISO number used, the greater the sensitivity, and the better the camera's ability to shoot in low-light conditions. However, higher values may give the photo a grainy appearance. \*\*

White Balance: AWB is usually the best choice. However, if the colors appearing on LCD screen do not match the subject being photographed, I suggest using one of the other settings that better matches the lighting on the subject.



## **Metering Modes:**



**Evaluative/Matrix/ESP**- Determines exposure based on the entire image.



**Center-Weighted** - Determines exposure based on the subject and background lighting with a bias to the subject.



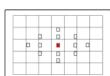
**Partial** - Determines exposure based on the small area in the center. Best if used on strongly back-lighted subjects. (Canon)



**Spot** - Determines exposure based on the small area in the center. Best if used on strongly back-lighted subjects.

# Metering Modes (cont.): Spot (highlight control) - If the background is very bright, the camera shifts to over-expose allowing accurate white reproduction (m4/3) Spot (shadow control) - If the background is very dark, the camera shifts to under-expose allowing accurate black reproduction (m4/3) Shooting Modes: In Single shooting mode, you take one photo each time you fully depress the shutter button.

**AF Target Selection** - Cameras today provide sophisticated focusing capabilities with as many as 11 to 273 individual points determining the image focus. To gain more control use a single point centered in the viewfinder.





**Exposure Compensation** - In some situations, you could get better results if you manually compensate the exposure automatically set by the camera. In the bright sun on snow, objects will seem darker than their natural color. Adjusting toward + will make the subject brighter and closer to its real shade.

In Continuous Shooting mode, you take multiple photos as long as you fully depress the



**Flash Compensation** - Adjusts the intensity of the flash. This may be required when shooting close-up or distant objects.

## **Focusing Modes:**

**One-Shot AF/AF-S**, is a Single-Focus capability. In this mode, the camera focuses on the subject just once when you depress the shutter release halfway.

Al Servo AF/AF-C is Continuous Focus. In this mode, when you depress the shutter release halfway the keeps adjusting the focus to keep the subject in focus. This mode is most useful for keeping moving objects in focus as you track the object within the viewfinder.

**Auto Focus Mode, AI Focus AF/AF-A**, is the total automatic focus. In this mode, the camera makes the selection as to whether to use AF-S or AF-C.

### \*\*Advanced Settings:

Auto ISO and Minimum Shutter Speed settings are available on many cameras today. Both settings can be very useful in making photography easier. However, you should determine the maximum ISO (digital noise/pixelization) you can tolerate.