DSR-45A

DSR-45AP

For Professional Results
The DSR-45A* is a DVCAM™ digital videocassette recorder designed for use in both nonlinear editing suites and linear A/B roll-editing suites as a source feeder1. It is ideal for operations ranging from those in small to medium-sized production houses to corporate institutions and from video journalism to event/wedding videography. Its i.LINK™ interface allows seamless integration into compatible DV-based editing suites. In addition, analog component connectors allow the unit to accept and transfer high-quality video and audio. For external control, the DSR-45A comes standard with Control S, RS-422A and RS-232C interfaces. Equipped with a 2.5-inch4 type built-in LCD monitor, the DSR-45A displays information including audio level and system status, as well as playback picture. Offering a wide range of interfaces and professional features, the DSR-45A is a powerful tool for all video professionals.

The Versatile DVCAM Recorder For Professional Editing

DVCAM Format for Excellent Picture and Sound Quality

The DVCAM Format
The DSR-45A uses the DVCAM format, the professional extension of the worldwide standard DV format. The DVCAM format uses 8-bit digital component recording with a 5:1 compression ratio and a sampling rate of 4:1:1 (for NTSC)/4:2:0 (for PAL). The unique compression algorithm provides excellent picture quality and superb multi-generation dubbing performance.

Up to Four Independent, High-quality, Audio Channels
The DSR-45A provides two selectable audio channel modes; a two-channel mode with 48 kHz/16-bit recording and a four-channel mode with 32 kHz/12-bit recording. Thanks to its PCM (Pulse Code Modulation) digital stereo recording system, the DSR-45A offers superb digital audio performance with a wide dynamic range and an excellent signal-to-noise ratio, comparable to CD-quality audio.

Playback Compatibility with the DV (25 Mb/s) Format
The DVCAM format maintains playback compatibility with the consumer DV format.* This compatibility allows the user to play back DV recorded tapes on the DSR-45A. Such versatility is quite advantageous to users working with DV cameras for their great portability and long recording times.

Dual-size Cassette Mechanism
The DSR-45A has a dual-size cassette mechanism, which accepts both mini and standard size DVCAM and DV cassette tapes without any special adaptor. This innovative feature allows the four different types of cassette tapes to be used without the cumbersome process associated with additional mechanical hardware.

Long-duration Recording Capability
DVCAM videocassette tapes come in two sizes: standard and mini. A maximum recording time of 184 minutes is possible with a standard size cassette (PDV-184ME), while the mini cassette (PDVM-40ME) allows up to 40 minutes. Although the tape is relatively narrow, 1/4-inch (6.35 mm), and the cassette compact, these long recording times are achieved by using Sony advanced ME (Metal Evaporated) tape.

Capability of Recording in DV Format*
Should you require a longer record time than what is available with the DVCAM format, the DSR-45A is capable of recording in the DV format. In this format, a standard-sized cassette records up to 270 minutes.

Versatile Video and Audio Interfaces

i.LINK Interface
The DSR-45A is equipped with a 4-pin i.LINK (DV) interface based on the IEEE1394 standard. The i.LINK interface provides a digital link from the DSR-45A to a variety of compatible equipment including Sony DVCAM VTRs and third-party nonlinear editors. Signals including video, audio, time code, and control can be transferred through this I/O with virtually no degradation of image or sound quality. In addition, when the DVCAM cassette with IC memory is loaded into a DSR-45A, the ClipLink™ data recorded on the cassette memory can be uploaded to a nonlinear editing system.*

Analog Component Input/Output and S-Video
The DSR-45A provides a full range of analog video inputs and outputs; component, composite, and S-Video inputs and outputs are all available. The DSR-45A can also be used as a signal converter. Component, composite, and S-Video analog signals can easily be converted to and from i.LINK digital signals.

1. The DSR-45A is best used as a player/recorder in a nonlinear editing suite. When used in A/B roll editing, the DSR-45A can be used as a source feeder. The DSR-45A cannot perform insert or assemble editing nor does it have a synchronization capability. 2. i.LINK is a Sony trademark used only to designate that a product is equipped with an IEEE 1394 connector. All products with an i.LINK connector may not communicate with each other. Please refer to the documentation that comes with any device having an i.LINK connector for information on compatibility, operating conditions, and proper connection. 3. Viewable area measured diagonally. 4. In SP mode only.
The DSR-45A is equipped with an RS-232C control interface allowing basic VTR functions to be controlled from a PC. The DSR-45A is equipped with a time code input/output capability, enabling time code synchronization with external equipment, which is ideal for dubbing purposes. The unit can output time code read from the tape when played back at normal speed, and can also receive a time code signal from an external source.

Simple Editing Control

RS-422A Interface
Equipped with an RS-422A interface, the DSR-45A can function as a source feeder in a professional A/B roll-editing system. The system can be controlled from compatible editing controllers. It is also possible to add the DSR-45A to a current editing system. For example, in an A/B roll-editing system where DV or DVCAM recorded tapes are being used as source material, an S-VHS feeder could be replaced by a DSR-45A.

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Versatile Recording and Playback Functions

Effortless Duplication
The DSR-45A has three duplication modes, which can be set from the menu to copy videocassette tapes. In all modes, the original time codes are maintained. The different modes are as follows:

- AUTO TAPE COPY WITH CASSETTE MEMORY COPY: This mode is used to create an exact duplicate of the original tape without blank segments. Both the material on the original tape and the information on the IC memory of the original tape are duplicated.
- AUTO TAPE COPY: This mode is used for duplication of the original tape material without blank segments. The information on the IC memory is not duplicated.
- MANUAL TAPE COPY: This mode is used to copy the original tape from any position on the tape. The information on the IC memory is not duplicated.

These functions are ideal when making work tapes and preserving an original master tape.

Auto Repeat Function
The DSR-45A has an Auto Repeat function that enables it to repeatedly play back a program. Just after the end of the tape is reached, or the first complete blank portion or the first index point is detected, the tape is automatically rewound and playback of the segment is repeated.

Power-on Recording/Playback Capabilities
An external timer can be used to trigger the DSR-45A to record or playback. When the TIMER switch on the front panel is set to REC, the DSR-45A automatically starts recording as soon as the AC power is turned on. Likewise, when the TIMER switch is set to REPEAT, the DSR-45A goes into the Auto Repeat mode and starts playing back a program the moment that power is turned on. These convenient features enable unattended automatic VTR operation.

User-friendly Features

Built-in LCD Front Panel Monitor
The DSR-45A is equipped with a 2.5-inch type high-resolution color LCD monitor. Easy set-up is an advantage of this monitor, as the set-up menu clearly displays the appropriate parameters to select. While editing, working images are displayed, audio level meters are available, and the system status can be displayed to simplify the editing process.

Compact Size and Light Weight
The DSR-45A is both compact and lightweight. Two units can be mounted side-by-side in a 19-inch equipment rack, where they occupy just two units of rack height. The DSR-45A weighs only 4.6 kg (10 lb 2 oz).

Cassette Memory Search
The DSR-45A has a cassette memory search function. Searchable index points are marked at the start of every recording. The DSR-45A can also search for the photo data recorded on cassettes by DSR-250/250P or DSR-PD170/PD170P camcorders, or the point where the recording date has been changed. These operations are controlled from the supplied wireless remote controller, RMT-DS5, or an optional DSRM-10 Remote Control Unit.

Color Bar Generator and Tape Counter
The DSR-45A has a color bar generator that can be activated from the set-up menu. In addition, the system comes with a digital tape counter on the front panel, which is convenient for performing time code data editing, and for monitoring of the operation of the unit.

Wireless Remote Controller
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<td>-20 °C to 60 °C (-4 °F to 140 °F)</td>
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<td><strong>Mass</strong></td>
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### Video

**Video system**: 525/60 (NTSC) 625/50 (PAL)

**Rec mode**: DVCAM/DV (SP mode only)

**Playback mode**: DVCAM/DV (SP mode only)

### Audio

**Rec mode**: 2CH mode (48 kHz/16-bit) / 4CH mode (32 kHz/12-bit) / automatic (DV IN)

**Playback mode**: 2CH mode (48 kHz/16-bit) / 4CH mode (32 kHz/12-bit) / 2CH mode (32 kHz/16-bit) / 4CH mode (44.1 kHz/16-bit)

### Input signals

**Video (Analog)**

- Component: BNC (x3) 1.0 Vp-p, 75 Ω, sync negative
- Y: 1.0 Vp-p, 75 Ω (75%)
- B-Y: 0.7 Vp-p, 75 Ω (100%)
- C: 0.286 Vp-p, (subcarrier burst) 75 Ω

**Audio (Analog)**

- Audio: XLR 3-pin male (x4) +4 dBu

**Video (Analog)**

- Component: BNC (x3) 1.0 Vp-p, 75 Ω, sync negative

**Audio (Analog)**

- Monitor: RCA pin (x1) 1.0 Vp-p, 75 Ω, sync negative
- Audio: XLR 3-pin male (x4) +4 dBu

### Time code

**BNC (x1)**

- 1.0 Vp-p, 75 Ω, sync negative

### Digital input/output signals

**i.LINK**: IEEE 1394 based (4-pin x1)

### Other

- Color LCD monitor 2.5-inch
- RS-232C: D-sub 9-pin, male (x1)
- RS-422A: D-sub 9-pin, female (x1)
- LAN: Stereo mini-jack (x1)

### Supplied accessories

- AC power cord, Wireless Remote Commander RMT-DSS, AA Dry Batteries x2, Operating manual, Interface manual for programmers (RS-232C), Cleaning Cassette

### Optional accessories

- VMC-IL4408A/4415/4425: LINK Cable (4-pin to 4-pin)
- VMC-IL4615/4635: LNK Cable (4-pin to 6-pin)
- DSRM-10: Remote Control Unit

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