

# VZ-STEALTH-LX OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Your StealthZoom controller is equipped with the following features: **pressure-sensitive variable speed zoom control; manual focus control; record start/stop; wake-up from standby; LED indicator light; edit search (ff/rew); data on/off; autofocus.**

1. Plug the controller into the LANC jack ("Control-L") on your camcorder (usually a blue jack). If you are not sure about the location of the LANC jack, consult the camcorder owner's manual.
2. You can attach the controller to your tripod handle, monopod, shoulder support, or stabilizer with the adjustable clamp (**DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN!**). The controller doesn't require any external power or setup. Once connected, the Stealth-LX is ready to perform.
3. The brass handle located at the center of the controller is for **zooming**. Since it is a pressure-sensitive "zoom throttle," the farther you push it up the faster it will zoom in (telephoto), and the farther you pull it back the faster it will zoom out (wide). You should practice a bit before shooting so that you acquire a good sense of the throttle characteristics. *(continued)*
4. The small button marked with a red "R" is the **record start/stop** button. The button marked **ON** will toggle the camera between standby and full power modes. Hold the button in for 2 seconds and release to put the camera into standby mode. To power the camera up from standby mode, simply press the ON button (most camcorders will go into auto standby after a few minutes in record pause mode). Pressing the "ON" button will bring the camcorder back to full operating mode whether you put it into standby manually or if it happens automatically.
5. You can also control the **focus** of your lens manually using the Stealth-LX. With most camcorders, you can toggle between Auto and Manual focus with the **autofocus button** \* (marked "A"). Once you are in Manual Focus mode, you can use the switch on the controller marked "Focus" to precisely adjust the focal plane. Pressing the up arrow (^) will bring the focal plane closer while pressing the down arrow (v) will move the focal plane farther away.
6. You also have access to two other control functions, **data** and **edit search**. The **data button** toggles the on-screen data (tape time, settings, etc.) on and off. **Edit search (ff/rew)** allows you to review the recording on your tape.
7. Finally, the **LED indicator light** located above the zoom throttle will turn red (or blink) to indicate a variety of camcorder functions such as record, tape out, low battery, etc. (the pattern will vary slightly between different camcorders, but will remain consistent when used with the same camcorder). You are ready to begin using the StealthZoom. Enjoy! (**When not in use, disconnect the StealthZoom.**)

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\* Please note that the "A" autofocus, Data, F+ / F-, and ON buttons may not work with all camcorders