

VCR-401/VCR-201 Vídeo VC Video Recorder



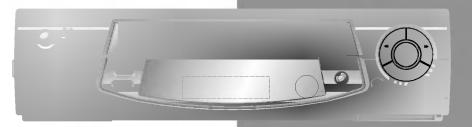
Al Seleccionar este aparato Firstline, Usted ha optado por el confort de utilización. Concebido de acuerdo con estrictas normas de calidad, le brindará toda la satisfacción que Usted merece durante mucho tiempo. Lea atentamente las instrucciones antes de poner en servicio el vídeo.. Esto le facilitará su instalación y uso.

Hasta pronto.

In choosing this Firstline appliance, you have opted for the simplicity of utilisation. Designed in accordance with strict quality standards. It will bring you all the satisfaction that you are entitled to, for many years to come. Please read carefully the operating instructions before using your video recorder.

It will help you in setting up and using it.

See you soon.



Manual de instrucciones Manual do utilizador Instructions

Precaution & features Information



Position your VCR so that no bright light or sunlight falls directly onto it.

Care should be taken not to expose your VCR to any unnecessary vibration, moisture, dust or heat.

During electrical storms it is advisable to unplug both the aerial cable and mains plug to prevent accidental damage to your VCR and TV.

Do not operate your VCR if it is damaged. Your VCR should not be repaired by anyone except qualified service personnel.

Never remove the back cover of your VCR as this can expose you to very high voltage and other hazards. If your VCR does not operate properly, please check the Troubleshooting Check List (see p.29). If your VCR still does not operate properly, unplug it and call your dealer.

This product is manufactured to comply with the radio interference requirements of EEC DIRECTIVE 89/336/EEC, 93/68/EEC and 73/23/EEC.



- ez (easy) operations (see p. 27)
- Programmable 80 channel memory with Frequency synthesised tuner
- ACMS (Automatic Channel Memory System)
- 7 event/1 month
- programmable timer
- Recording and playback for 16:9
 Wide-screen format
- LP Long Play recording & playback
- Shuttle Controls
 (VCR-401)
- Energy Saving function
- ICON OSD (On Screen Display)

- NTSC playback on PAL TV
- Logic & Picture Search
- Child Lock

Just to name a few examples of the

extraordinary features:

- Auto Head Cleaner
- Auto Power on and Play
- Fine still, Frame
- advance & Fixed Slow
- functions (VCR-401)
- Real Time Counter
- Quick Start function
- Auto Tracking System



Welcome to Firstline

Thank you for buying this Firstline video cassette recorder Model VCR-401/VCR-201.

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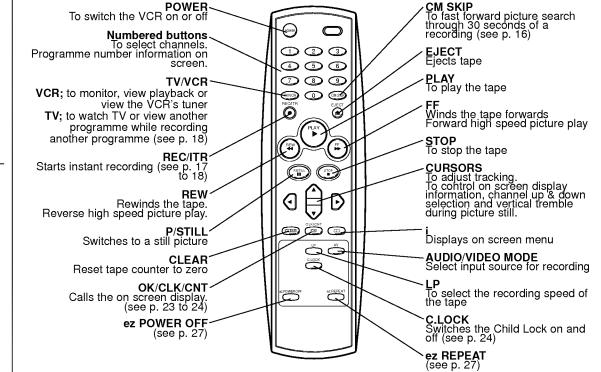
HANDSET is powered by two **AAA** type batteries.

- 1. To insert them, push the tab backwards and lift off the cover of the handset.
- Put the two batteries into the compartment making sure the + and – are correctly positioned.
- 3. Replace the cover.

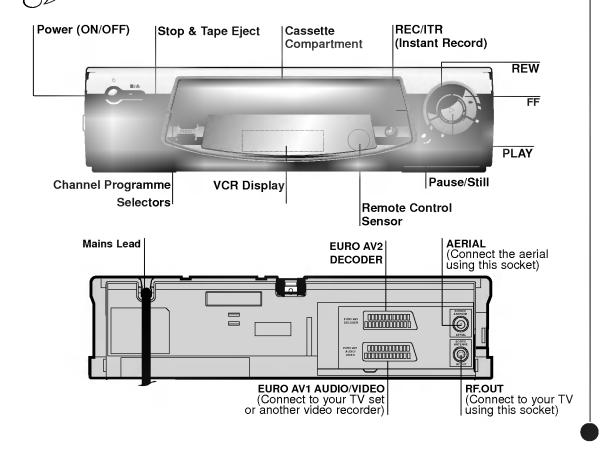


Your video recorder (VCR) is designed so that almost all of its features can be controlled from the REMOTE CONTROL HANDSET. Some features can also be controlled from the FRONT PANEL of the video recorder. The maximum operating distance that you may control your video recorder is about 7.5 metres (25 feet). It must also be within an angle of 30 degrees either side of the REMOTE SENSOR on the front of your video recorder.

To avoid damage from possible battery leakage, remove the batteries if you do not plan to use the remote control handset for an extended period of time. Do not use batteries of differing age or type. Always discard batteries safely.



Each button on your VCR has the same function as its corresponding button on the remote control handset.



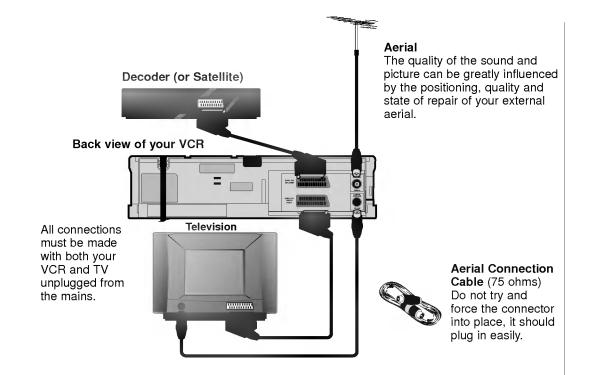
Your VCR's Controls

Connections To a TV & Decoder (or Satellite)

Using your VCR very first time Following picture will display on the TV screen when you have just connected your video recorder for the very first time.

To make tuning TV stations, please follow stages 3 to 4 as shown "ACMS" (see p. 10).

A B CH D DK F I N NL P S SF OTROS The guidance given on the next two pages is the most common forms of connection. However please check with your manufacturers instruction books for specific information. Make sure all connections are made with both your VCR and additional appliance unplugged from the mains to avoid damaging your equipment. Connecting a VCR using a SCART lead is one of the best ways to achieve optimum sound and picture quality from video-tape playback.





Your TV receives signals from the video recorder (VCR) like another TV station. You have to select a channel number on your TV and tune it in so that you may watch video tapes. If you have used a **SCART** cable then your TV should already have a dedicated video

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channel built into it, usually called AV.

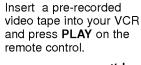
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Make sure that you have correctly installed your VCR as described earlier in this book.

Press **POWER** to turn on your VCR.

Turn on your TV.





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Select a TV channel number on which you wish to watch video's.

Don't worry if you don't have a video-tape to play at this stage! If you switch your VCR on and continue stages $\mathbf{3} \sim \mathbf{4}$, instead of seeing video playback tune your TV until you see a bright blue screen.

Tune this channel until the video picture is sharp and the sound is clear.

If you have used a the SCART cable you will y not have to tune your TV, d simply select the AV channel is already pre-tuned for optimum video playback on your TV.

Store this channel on your TV.

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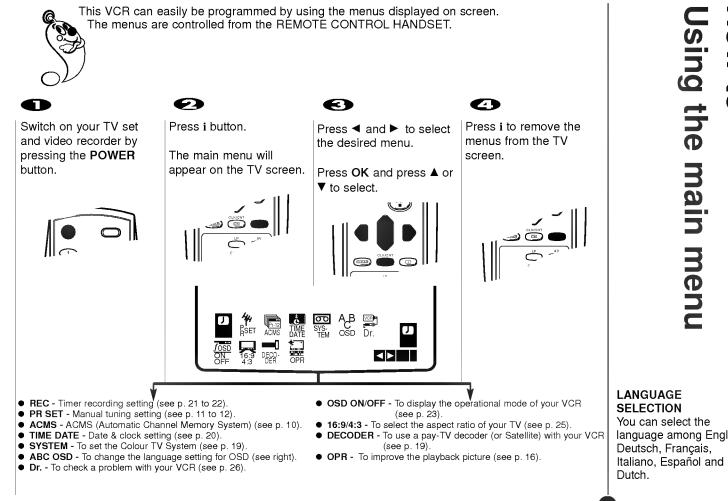
You will need to look at the TV instruction book if you do not know how to do this.

Tuning in a Video channel On your TV

The output frequency of this video recorder (VCR) is set at UHF channel 36. If channel 36 is already used by another TV station, or if the picture is distorted, you can change the transmitter channel of your VCR. Stages 5 ~ 8 will show you how to change the output frequency of your VCR.

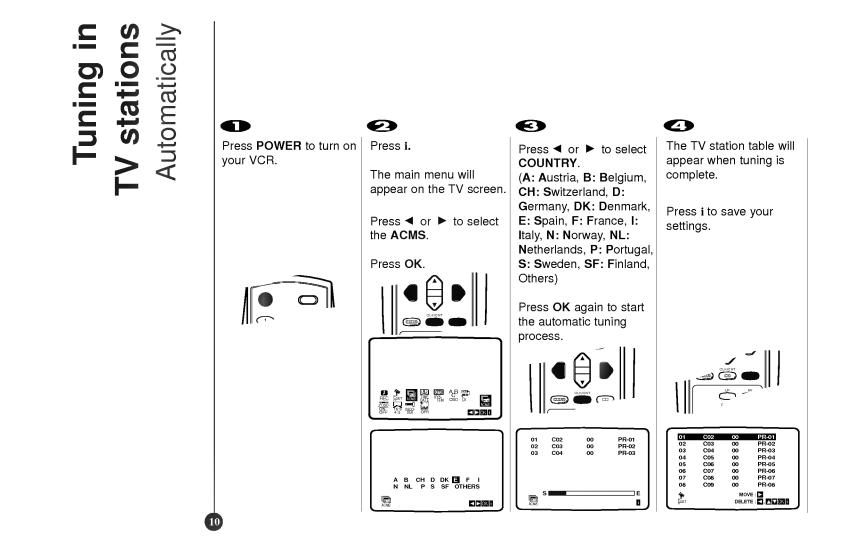
Make sure that you have correctly installed your VCR and successfully tuned in a dedicated video channel on your TV. If you do not tune in a dedicated video channel on your TV you will be unable to view and record video tapes!	Only carry out stages 5 ~ 8 if you cannot obtain clear video play- back as described in stages 1 ~ 4. Select a TV channel number on which you wish to watch video's. Make sure that your VCR is in standby by pressing POWER on the remote control. (only the clock will be displayed.)	G Press PROG. ▲ or ▼ on the front of your VCR for more than 4 seconds. CH36 will appear in the VCR display. The following picture will be displayed on the TV screen.	Press PROG. ▲ or ▼ to select another video channel. You may select any channel number between 22 and 68.	Select a TV channel number on which you wish to watch video's. Tune this channel so that a bright blue screen appears. Store this channel on your TV. Press O on the front of your VCR when you have finished.	

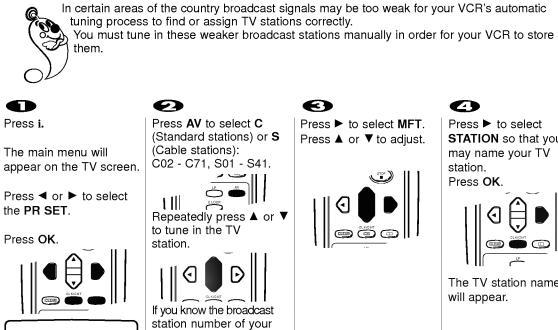
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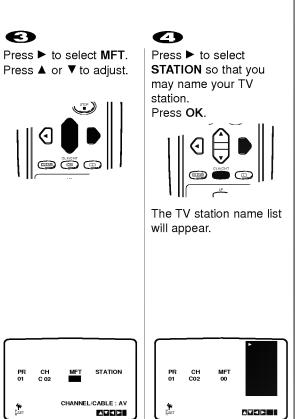
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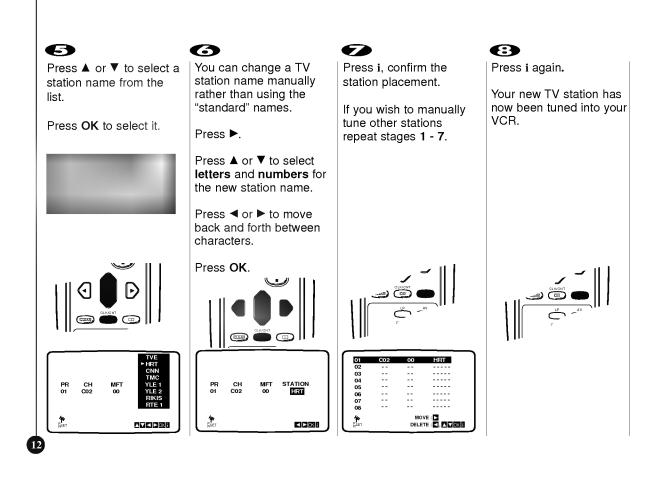
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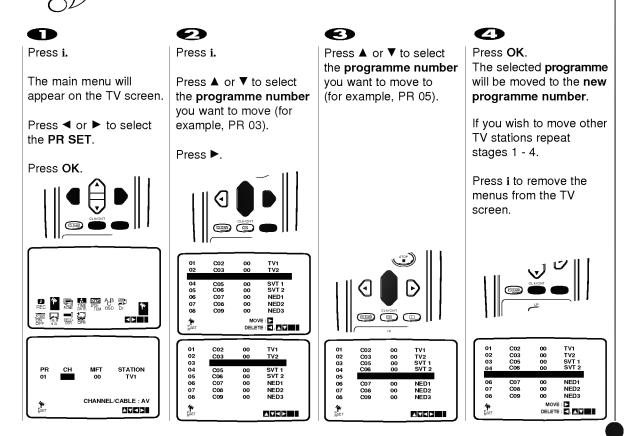


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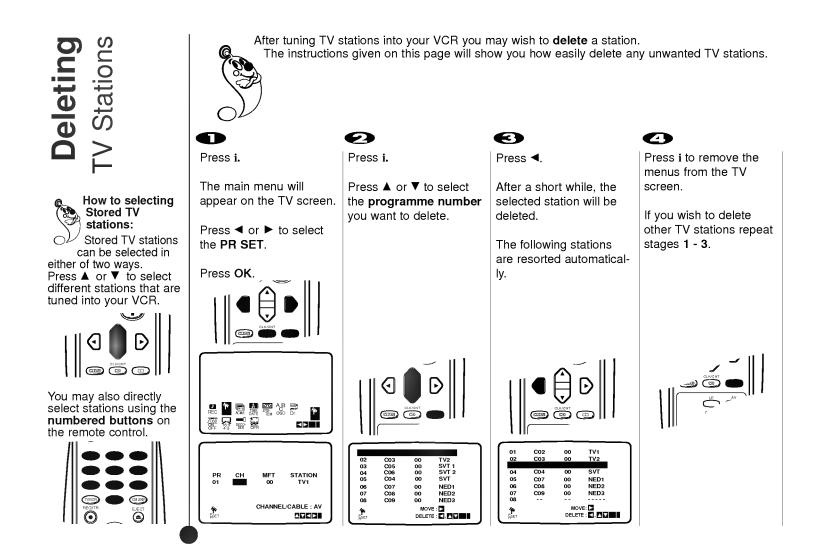




After tuning TV stations into your VCR you may wish to **change** the order in which they are stored without having to retune them against! The instructions given on this page will show you how you can simply move them into your desired order.



Changing the order of TV stations





You will only be able to load and eject video cassettes when your VCR is plugged into the mains. Your VCR may also playback recordings from NTSC tapes (on PAL TV).

Getting a better picture

When a cassette is inserted and playback started, the automatic tracking function works to get the best possible picture automatically. If the quality of the recording is poor, repeatedly press ▼ or ▲ on the remote control to manually adjust the tracking until any distortions have been removed. Press **numbered 0** on the remote control to switch automatic tracking back on again.

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Make sure that you have correctly connected your

VCR as described earlier in this book.

Turn on your TV.

Press **POWER** to turn on your VCR.



Insert the video cassette into your VCR.

The video cassette should have the window side facing up and the arrow facing away from you.



Press **PLAY** to start playing your tape.



If you load a video cassette which has had its record protection tab removed playback of the cassette will start automatically.

AUTO TRACKING Your VCR will automatically adjust the tracking to give the best picture quality. Press **P/STILL** to still a picture.

Press **P/STILL** repeatedly to advance the tape frame by frame.

Tapes can be paused for up to 5 minutes. After 5 minutes your VCR will stop the tape to prevent damaging the tape or your VCR .

Still picture quality can be improved slightly by pressing ▲ or ▼.



Press **PLAY** to continue playing your tape.

Picture search:

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During playing back press either **FF** or **REW** to this will enable you to rapidly wind the tape (7 times normal playback) see where you are on the tape.

Logic search:

During fast forwarding or rewinding press and hold **FF** or **REW** the picture will be played back at 7 times normal playback speed.



Playback a tape



Picture search will only continue for about 3 minutes, after which your VCR will return to normal playback. During picture search, logic search, and CM Skip the sound is muted and there will be some noise streaks on the picture.

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Slow motion playback, Shuttle (VCR-401): During playing back or

still picture press ◀ or ►.

Press **STOP** to end playback.

Press EJECT.

If the end of the tape is

reached, your VCR will

rewind, stop, eject the

power off mode.

stop playback automatically,

tape and place itself into

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You can reach the following playback

speeds. (-7xplay, -3xplay, -play, still, 1/19 slow, play, 2xplay, 7xplay)

To switch off the slow motion and shuttle, press the desired function.

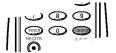
During slow motion and shuttle, the noise bars may appear on the picture according to the status of tape.

If distortions can be seen in the picture, reduce them with \blacktriangle or \blacktriangledown .

CM (Commercial Message) Skip:

This feature enables you during playback of a tape to skip a commercial break in a few seconds, then resume normal playback.

While tape is playing press **CM SKIP** on the remote control to skip commercial (or another programme material).



Repeatedly press CM SKIP to skip:

1 Press30 seconds2 Press60 seconds3 Press90 seconds4 Press120 seconds5 Press150 seconds6 Press180 seconds

OPR (Optimum Picture Response):

This feature automatically improves playback picture quality by adjusting your VCR to the condition of the tape. Press i. Press ◀ or ► to select OPR. Press OK. Press ▲ or ▼ repeatedly to select: OFF, SOFT or SHARP. Please note you may only set OPR when playing a tape. Press i to remove menus from the TV screen.

Your VCR allows you to make recordings using a variety of simple methods: Instant Timer Recording (ITR) start recording immediately for a set period of time or until the video cassette runs out.

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Make sure that you have correctly connected your VCR as described earlier in this book.

Press POWER to turn on your VCR.



Insert a video cassette with protection tab into your VCR.

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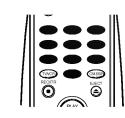
The video cassette should have the window side facing up and the arrow facing away from you.



Press \blacktriangle or \blacktriangledown to select the programme number you wish to record.



You may also directly select programme number using the numbered buttons on the remote control.



If you wish to record directly from the SCART socket repeatedly press AV until the socket you wish to record from is displayed.

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Recording TV programmes

If you do not wish to record on a tape (this can happen quite easily by accident!) remove the protection tab on the back edge of the video cassette.

It is possible to record on a video cassette with the record protection tab removed by covering the hole with self adhesive tape.



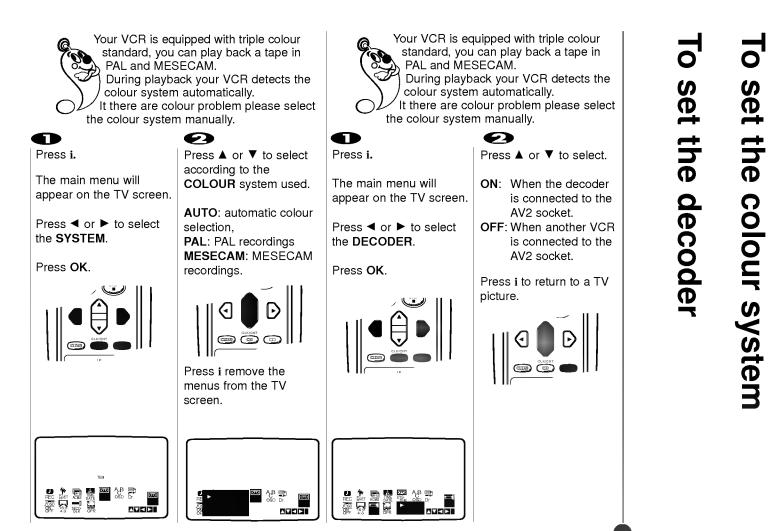




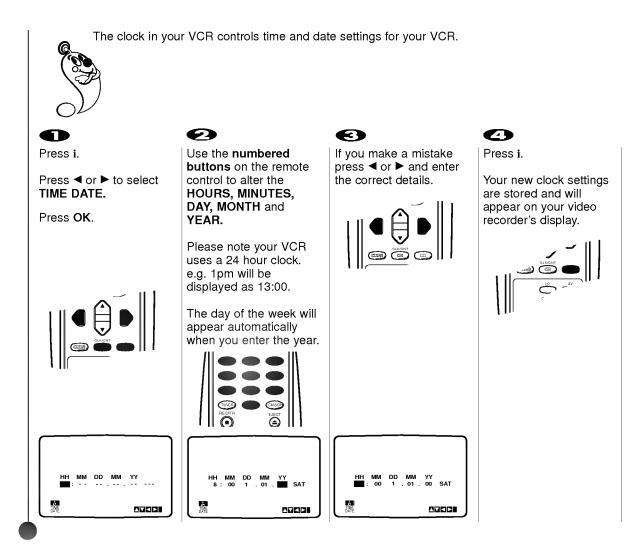
Your VCR incorporates Long Play (LP) which enables you to record up to twice the amount of time on a video cassette. For example an E-180 will record up to 180 minutes using Standard Play (SP); using LP you will be able to record up to 360 minutes. **Please note** there will be a slight loss in picture and sound quality when using LP.

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emember you an record one programme while	Press LP if you wish to record in Long Play or Standard Play.	Press REC/ITR to start recording.	Press P/STILL to avoid recording unwanted scenes.	Press STOP to end recording.	
a contraction of the starting your ecording, press to select TV and then selecting nt channel on	SP will produce improved picture and sound quali- ty, however LP will pro- vide twice as much recording time as SP. SP or LP will be displayed in your VCR display to let you know which you have selected.	RECORD will appear on the TV screen. Press REC/ITR several times. Each successive press will increase the record time by 30 minutes until you reach a maximum of 9 hours.	Press P/STILL to contin- ue recording. Tapes can be paused for up to 5 minutes; RECP will be displayed when a tape is paused. After 5 minutes your VCR will stop recording to prevent damaging the tape or your VCR.	Press EJECT . EJECT will appear on the TV screen and on the video recorder's display for a few seconds.	

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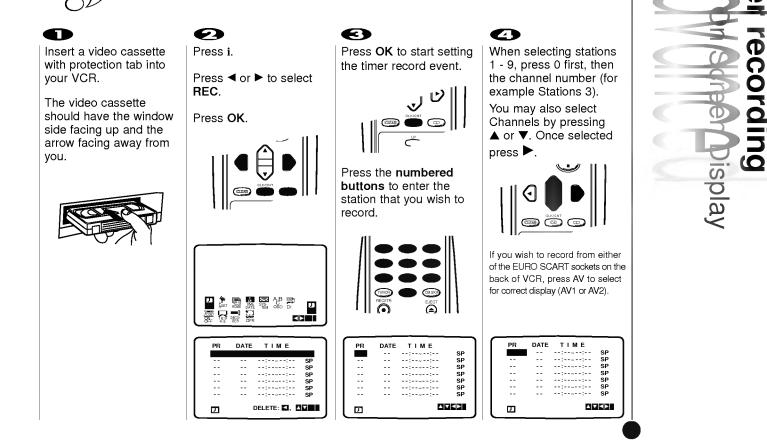


Setting the clock Manually





You may set up to seven timer record events within one month of the current date PLEASE NOTE! before setting the timer make sure that you have set the VCR clock correctly and by you know which stations you have tuned TV stations on your VCR.



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If Timer record events Overlap...

 O^{l} Make sure that the preset times of the timer recording events do not overlap. If they do, the earlier programme will always be given priority.

Example:

Programme 1 is programmed to start at 16:00 and end at 17:00.

Programme 2 is programmed to start at 16:30 and end at 17:30.

(In this case, Programme 1 will be recorded in its entirety, but only the last 30 minutes of Programme 2 will be recorded.)

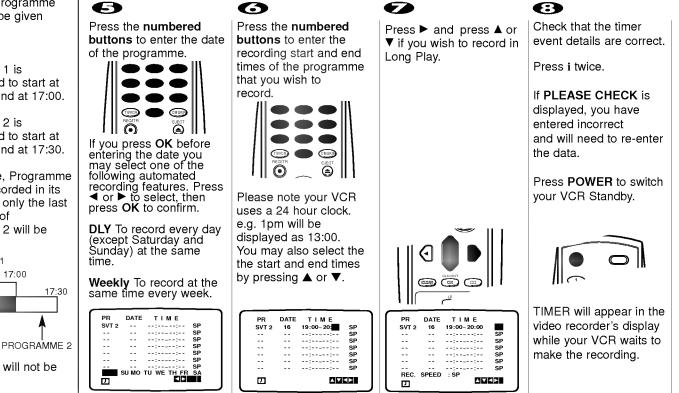
16:00 17:00 16:30

PROGRAMME 1

(This portion will not be recorded)

If at a later date you wish to **delete** or **change** any of the settings in timer event memory you may do so without having to enter all the timer event information again. Simply display the timer event screen. Press \blacktriangle or \triangledown to select the event that you wish to **delete** or **change**. Press ◀ to delete the event...or Press OK to change; then press ◀ or ► to select; Station, Date, Start and End times and LP.

Press \blacktriangle or \triangledown to enter the correct information.





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Your VCR has an Energy Save feature which if set will place your VCR into an economic power save where the clock display will disappear. If you have programmed a recording, this feature will not work.

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Press **o** on the VCR.

The VCR and clock will appear on the video recorder's display.

Press **o** on the VCR again and your VCR will go into Energy Save.

All indicators will turn off in the video recorder's display.

Press **b** to switch off Energy Save.

Screen Displays will not be recorded onto the tape. O Press OK/CLK/CNT to display.



VCR Function Channel Programme Day/Month/ Year/Day of Week Clock/Tape Counter & Amount of Tape Left

After 3 seconds the display will clear only leaving the CLOCK on display.

Ø Press OK/CLK/CNT repeatedly to display the TAPE COUNTER.

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Press OK/CLK/CNT again to remove all displays from the TV screen.

You may easily display the current time or

month, year, day of week, programme channel, and operational mode of your

If a recording is taking place these On

tape counter, amount of tape left, day,

VCR will appear on the TV screen.



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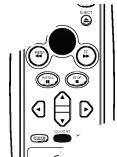
Count Tape The **Digital Tape Counter** can be displayed on your VCR's display instead of the time by pressing **OK/CLK/CNT** on the remote control. The Digital Tape Counter indicates the relative positions of recordings on the tape.

Press **OK/CLK/CNT.** Press **CLEAR** to set the counter to 0:00:00.

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Press **PLAY** or start recording.

The tape counter will display the actual play time in hours, minutes and seconds.

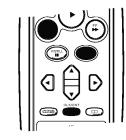


Press STOP when playback or recording is complete.

Press **REW**.

The tape will rewind and automatically stop when the counter returns to 0:00:00.

Press **OK/CLK/CNT** to return to clock.



The control buttons on the front of the VCR can be switched off so that your VCR can only be operated using the remote control.

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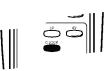
Press C.LOCK.

B SAFE will appear on the TV screen.

SAFE will flicker in your video recorder's display for a few seconds.

None of the buttons on the front of your VCR will work (except **STOP**/ **EJECT**).

If any buttons on the front of your VCR are pressed **SAFE** will flicker in your video recorder's display for a few seconds.



Press C.LOCK

Press **C.LOCK** again to switch off the child lock.

SAFE will disappear on the TV screen.

OFF will flicker in your video recorder's display for a few seconds.



Your VCR can record and play back wide screen aspect ratio programmes (16:9). To record a wide screen format programme successfully the correct type of wide screen signal must be , broadcast by the TV station.



Switch on your VCR.

Press i.

Press \blacktriangleleft or \blacktriangleright to select 16:9/4:3.

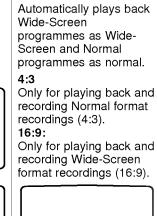
Press OK.

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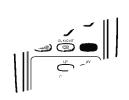
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Press ▲ or ▼ repeatedly

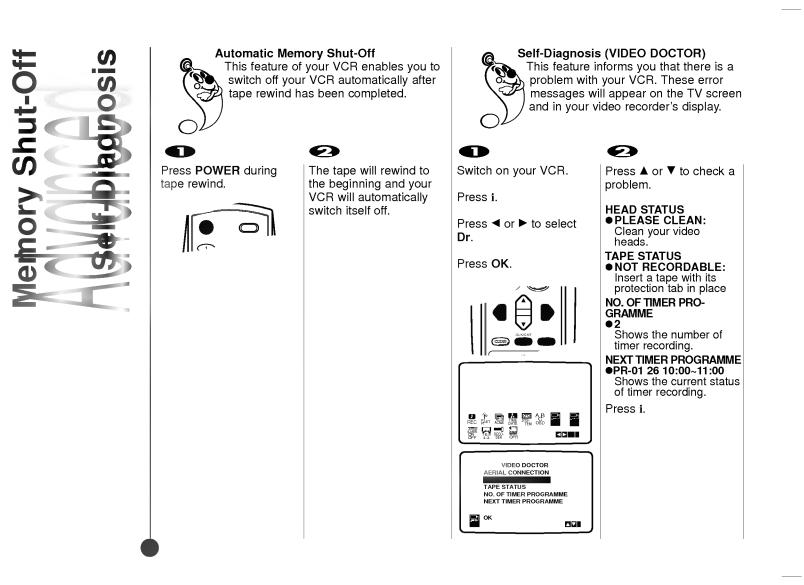
to select: AUTO, 4:3 or

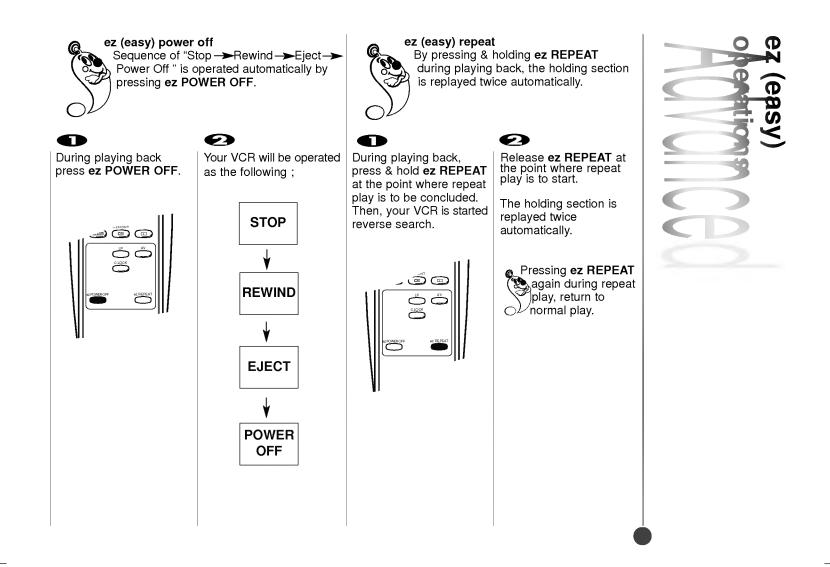
€ Press i to remove the menus from the TV screen.



To enjoy Wide-Screen playback you must connect your VCR to the TV using a SCART cable.



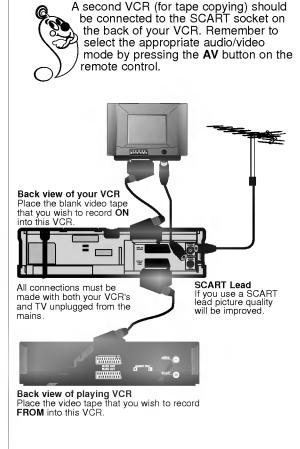




Tape Copying

Specifications

The design and specifications are subject to change without notice.



General

200-240V~, 50Hz. Power Power consumption Video Head System Tape speed Tape format Maximum recording time Rewind time Dimensions Weight 3.4 Kg. Operating temperature 5°C - 35°C Operating humidity Timer Video Television system Recording format RF Reception RF Output Input level Output level

Signal to noise ratio RF Modulator

Audio

Input level

Output level

Track Frequency response Signal to noise ratio

Approx. 16 Watts (Energy saving mode: 3 Watts) Double azimuth 4 heads, helical scanning (VCR-401). Rotary 2 heads, helical scanning (VCR-201). 23.39 mm/sec (SP mode)/ 11.69 mm/sec (LP mode). Tape width 12.7 mm (0.5 inch). 4 hours (SP mode, E-240 tape)/ 8 hours (LP mode, E-240 tape). Approx. 65(±10) sec.(E-180 tape). 360 x 94 x 270 mm (W x H x D) Less than 80%. 24 hours display type. CCIR standard (625 lines, 50 fields) PAL/SECAM colour signal PAL/MESECAM PAL B/G, SECAM B/G PAL G VIDEO IN (SCART type) 1.0 Vp-p, 75 Ohm, unbalanced VIDEO OUT (SCART type) 1.0 Vp-p, 75 Ohm, unbalanced More than 43 dBm. UHF 22-68 (Adjustable). AUDIO IN (SCART type) -6.0 dBm, more than 10 kohms AUDIO OUT (SCART type)

6.0 dBm, more than 10 kohms AUDIO OUT (SCART type) -6.0 dBm, less than 1 kohms Mono track 100 Hz-10 kHz (-6/+3 dBm) More than 43 dB (at SP mode)

Video Head Cleaning



Whenever a video cassette is inserted into or ejected from your VCR the video head is automatically cleaned. This should mean that additional head cleaning should not be necessary. However dirt accumulating on the head after a long period of time can cause the playback picture to become blurred or broken up. High quality video cassette tapes will not normally deposit dirt onto the video head, but old or damaged tapes might.

Symptom	Check points	Symptom	Check points
No picture & no sound	Is the mains plug plugged in and switched on? Is the TV switched on? Try another channel, maybe a weak signal. Check aerial is it plugged in? Check aerial, is the lead broken or damaged?	Video cassette cannot be inserted	Is the cassette compartment empty? Are you trying to insert the cassette the right way round?
	Have you tuned in a dedicated channel on your TV to watch video on? If you have a Decoder (or Satellite) connected check Audio/Video sockets and connection cables	Remote control does not work	Is the mains plug plugged in and switched on? Is the VCR switched on Check the batteries in remote control.
	If you have used a SCART lead to connect your VCR and TV have you selected the AV channel on your TV? Check tuning, carry out Automatic Tuning again	The top of the playback picture is unstable	Is the video cassette damaged, have you tried using another one? Adjust the horizontal control on your TV. Check aerial is it plugged into VCR?
No playback or poor picture	Are the TV channels tuned in properly? Have you tried using another cassette? Can you minimise the noise bars to an acceptable level with the 0 or ▲ or ▼ buttons?		Check aerial, is the lead broken or damaged? Check for local interference Make sure that you are using a dedicated TV channel on your TV.
TV programmes cannot be recorded	Can you get a picture on the TV? Are the aerial leads and special RF connector lead between your VCR and TV connected? Are the TV channels tuned in properly; are they tuned in order? Has the safety tab on the video cassette been removed to prevent recording? Try another station, maybe a weak signal Check aerial is it plugged into TV?	Auto Play does not work	Has the safety tab been removed from the video cassette?

Troubleshooting Check List

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APARATO	Sello del establecimiento
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