— Taking Multiple Pictures with the Same Exposure: AE Lock —

This option is used to take a series of photographs with the same exposure and white balance.



Option	Description
Off	Restores normal exposure, sensitivity and white balance.
On	First picture taken after On is selected sets exposure for all subsequent pictures. If white balance is set to A (auto), white balance for first picture applies to all other pictures in series. While AE lock is in effect, flash will be set to Off (③).
Reset	Clears existing exposure, sensitivity and white balance settings. First picture taken after this option is selected sets exposure, sensitivity and auto white balance for all subsequent pictures.

While AE lock is in effect, **AE-L** (AE Lock) and **WB-L** (White-Balance Lock) icons appear in the monitor. If **Reset** is chosen or white balance, focus mode, shutter speed or aperture adjusted, these icons will turn yellow to indicated that exposure will be reset with the next shot.

— Modifying Exposure Compensation from a Menu: Exp. +/- —



Focus Options

The focus options sub-menu provides control over focus settings.



— Focus-Area Selection: AF Area Mode —

This setting determines how the camera will choose the focus area in Ma mode. The following options take effect while the monitor is on (when the monitor is off or digital zoom is activated, AF Area Mode is automatically set to Off):



Option	Description
Auto	Camera automatically selects focus area containing subject closest to camera. Active focus area displayed in red when shutter release button pressed halfway. This setting is useful when you have little time to compose pictures.
Manual	User selects focus area manually. This option can be used in place of focus lock when subject is not at center of final composition.
Off	Center focus area is used. No focus areas appear in monitor. This option can be used in combination with focus lock to focus on offcenter subject (p. 45).

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