

# How to use the Tascam Dr-05

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## Starting

Make sure the batteries are inserted. The on/off button is also the 'Home' button (□) - press and hold this for two seconds to turn on.

If the date and time need setting use the +, -, >> and << buttons to do this and then press the centre (>) button when you are finished.

Under 00h00m00s is a reading that tells you how much time you have left on the memory card (press the Record button once to see the correct reading).

*If nothing seems to work:* check that the 'Hold' slider on the side of the Tascam hasn't been moved, this can disable all the buttons. Have you put the batteries in?

## Recording

Press the record button once. The red light will flash and the Tascam is in pause, it is NOT recording. Set the recording level using the >> and << buttons. For average speech aim for the levels to peak near the small triangle on the scale, about half way to two thirds along the scale. Coughs and laughter will make the levels go off the scale and the red 'peak' light will flash – don't worry about this, it's the level for average speech that you're setting it for. If you're not sure turn it down a bit.

When you're happy with the recording level press the record button again so that the red light is constant. If the recording levels are going up and down AND the timing counter (00h00m00s) is moving then you are recording. When you are finished press the stop button (the on/off button).

## Playing Back

Press Play (>) to listen to the last track you have recorded. The volume can be changed using the + and – buttons. Move through the tracks using the >> and << buttons. Use the Stop button to stop.

## Transferring to a Computer

Connect the Tascam to a computer using the USB cable. Use the – button to select 'Storage' and press enter (>). The computer will recognise the Tascam just like a digital camera or memory stick. The sound files are in the Music folder and you can either copy and paste or drag and drop them onto the computer. DO NOT MOVE THEM! Leave them on the Tascam as a back up until you are 100% certain the files are safely on your computer and work, and can be copied to CD/DVD or another hard drive.