

AMIRA FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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1. QUESTIONS functional

Q: Are CF or CFast cards other than CFast 2.0, compatible with AMIRA?

A: No cards other than CFast 2.0 cards are compatible with AMIRA.

Q: Are CFast 2.0 cards, other than the ones offered by ARRI, compatible with AMIRA?

A: At the time being, no other CFast 2.0 cards are tested or qualified to be compatible with AMIRA.

Q: Will CFast readers other than the CFast 2.0 reader from ARRI, work with the CFast 2.0 cards from AMIRA?

A: Yes, other readers following the CFast standard should work with CFast 2.0 cards from AMIRA. However the transfer times will be slower with models not supporting the CFast 2.0 standard.

Q: How can I create Looks to be loaded* into AMIRA?

A: AMIRA Looks can be created with ARRI Color Tool. This tool is available for free on our website.

Q: Can I modify the loaded Looks within the camera?

A: Yes, Looks can be modified within the AMIRA camera. All CDL and video parameters can be adjusted.

Q: Can Looks be exported and loaded* in other AMIRAs?

A: Yes, Looks can be saved on a USB stick and loaded into other AMIRA cameras.

Q: Can the Advanced or Premium license be disabled or removed from the camera and later on be re-activated or reloaded?

A: Yes, the permanent AMIRA licenses can be deleted from the camera and later on be reloaded from a USB stick. This is not possible for temporary licenses.

2. QUESTIONS electronics

Q: What power output options are provided with the AMIRA?

A: - D-tab 12V (on both Gold-mount and V-Lock battery adapters),
- Hirose 4pin 12V,
- Lemo 2pin 12V
- RS 24V
- Hirose 12pin interface for ENG lenses incl. the Fujinon Cabrio zooms.

Q: For which lenses is the 12/20-pin Hirose ENG Lense Cable Short (K2.0001268) needed for?

A: Both the AMIRA "PL Mount" and the "B4 Mount" do include a 12-pin Hirose connector. When using a ENG style lens with PL mount (like the Fujinon Cabrio lenses) the cable is used to connect the lens with the camera body to provide power for the lens motors and to support certain functions on the handgrip of the lens. Power is also provided by the LDS contacts when using "PL LDS Mount".

When using a B4-mount lens either with the "PL to B4 Adapter" or the "B4 Mount", the cable is needed to connect the lens for power and certain handgrip functions.

Q: What is the input voltage of the AMIRA?

A: The input voltage tolerance for batteries or bat power input is ranging from 10,5 – 34 Volt.

Q: What can the USB interface be used for?

A: Each AMIRA comes with a USB stick, which can be used for data files import and export. This can be Look files, user setup files, frame grabs, licenses, manual, software updates and more. Please note that USB sticks cannot be formatted within the camera but need to be FAT 32 formatted on a computer device to be used with AMIRA.

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3. QUESTIONS mechanical and accessories

Q: For putting onto a tripod, what do I need as counterpart to the WPA-1?

A: The WPA-1 is dedicated to use on Quicklock support systems like the new QRP-1 but also on previous models like the "Quick Release HD baseplate" or also other solutions like the Sony VCT-U14 and similar. (The QR-HD1 19mm or 15mm Studio support will not work with Amira and WPA-1)

Q: What would I need the BPA-3 for?

A: The BPA-3 opens the world to the standard camera mounting plates like the BP-8 or BP-9. It includes the appropriate connectors and provides the correct measurements for 19mm (or 15mm Studio) rods.

Q: What functions are provided by the UAP-2?

A: The UAP-2 is perfect for mounting on Steadicam or for a more cine-style operation. It can be mounted on top side of the camera as well as bottom side in the same way including the sliding mechanism. On top side, the "UAP-2 Set" provides all needed to mount the viewfinder with the VAP-1 to the 15mm top rods. When using UAP-2 at the bottom you could attach a touch and go plate 35 or 16mm so you could put the AMIRA directly on a fluid head.

The plate offers a variety of 3/8" and 1/4" threads for accessories. The CCH-1 is the handle from the Alexa. A 15mm LWS is build in the UAP-2. The 15mm LWS can be used from the top or the bottom.

Q: What shoulder belt can I use with the Shoulder Belt Adapter SBA-1?

A: Shoulder belts using the same connectors as provided on Sony ENG cameras can be attached.

Q: What is the Viewfinder Adapter VFA-2 used for?

A: The viewfinder adapter VFA-2 is for using the viewfinder independent to the standard mount, by using the VFA-2 together with a Noga arm or a similar device. It provides one 3/8" and one 1/4" interface thread.

Q: What is the weight of AMIRA?

A: The serial AMIRA camera model is expected to be in the 4.2 kg range including the PL lens mount, and about 5.x kg when ready to shoot with viewfinder, battery mount and camera adapter.

Competitive cameras may start with lower body weight, but in order to reach acceptable ergonomics, appropriate accessories are needed with additional weight in the range of 1-2 kg. This will raise the total weight remarkably, but nevertheless will Not bring the ergonomics to the same level as AMIRA.

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