

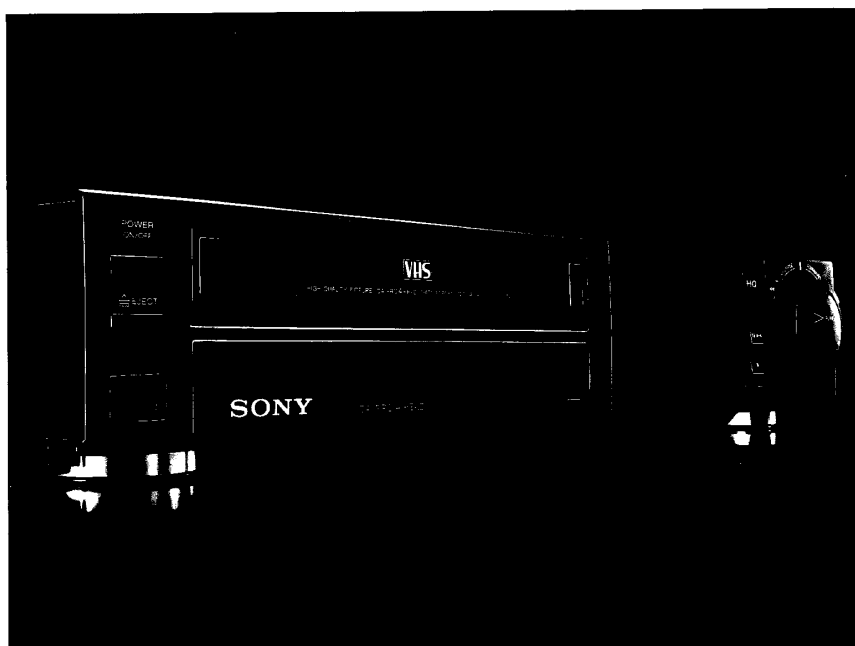
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# **Video Cassette Recorder**

Operating Instructions

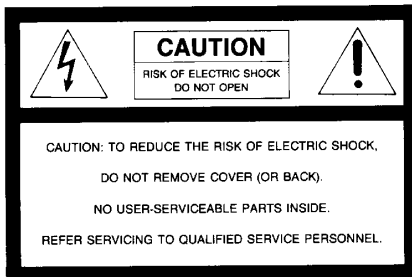
**VHS**



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## WARNING

To prevent fire or shock hazard, do not expose the unit to rain or moisture.



This symbol is intended to alert the user to the presence of uninsulated "dangerous voltage" within the product's enclosure that may be of sufficient magnitude to constitute a risk of electric shock to persons.



This symbol is intended to alert the user to the presence of important operating and maintenance (servicing) instructions in the literature accompanying the appliance.

## Owner's Record

The model number is located at the rear and front of the unit and the serial number on the top. Record the serial number in the space provided below. Refer to these numbers whenever you call upon your Sony service dealer regarding this product.

Model No. SLV-373UC Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

### For the Customers in the U.S.A.

#### INFORMATION

This equipment generates and uses radio frequency energy and if not installed and used properly, that is, in strict accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, may cause interference to radio and television reception. It has been type tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B computing device in accordance with the specifications in Subpart J of Part 15 of FCC Rules, which are designed to provide reasonable protection against such interference in a residential installation. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient the receiving antenna
- Relocate the equipment with respect to the receiver
- Move the equipment away from the receiver
- Plug the equipment into a different outlet so that equipment and receiver are on different branch circuits.

If necessary, the user should consult the dealer or an experienced radio/television technician for additional suggestions. The user may find the following booklet prepared by the Federal Communications Commission helpful:

"How to Identify and Resolve Radio-TV Interference Problems"

This booklet is available from the U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402, Stock No. 004-000-00345-4.

#### Note to CATV system installer:

This reminder is provided to call the CATV system installer's attention to Article 820-22 of the NEC that provides guidelines for proper grounding and, in particular, specified that the cable ground shall be connected to the grounding system of the building, as close to the point of cable entry as practical.

### For the Customers in Canada

TO PREVENT ELECTRIC SHOCK, DO NOT USE THIS POLARIZED AC PLUG WITH AN EXTENSION CORD, RECEPTACLE OR OTHER OUTLET UNLESS THE BLADES CAN BE FULLY INSERTED TO PREVENT BLADE EXPOSURE.

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## Precautions

### On Safety

- Operate the unit only on 120V AC, 60 Hz.
- Should anything fall into the cabinet, unplug the unit and have it checked by qualified personnel before operating it any further.
- One blade of the plug is wider than the other for the purpose of safety and will fit into the power outlet only one way. If you are unable to insert the plug fully into the outlet, contact your dealer.
- Unplug the unit from the wall outlet if it will not be used for an extended period of time. To disconnect the cord, pull it out by the plug. Never pull the cord itself.

### On Installation

- Allow adequate air circulation to prevent internal heat build-up.
- Do not place the unit on surfaces (rugs, blankets, etc.) or near materials (curtains, draperies) that may block the ventilation slots.
- Do not install the unit near heat sources such as radiators or air ducts, or in a place subject to direct sunlight, excessive dust, mechanical vibration or shock.
- The unit is designed for operation in a horizontal position. Do not install it in an inclined position.
- Keep the unit and cassette tapes away from equipment with strong magnets, such as microwave ovens or large loud speakers.
- Do not place any heavy object on the unit.

### On Operation

- When the unit is not in use, turn the power off to conserve energy and to extend the life of the unit.
- Remove and store video cassettes after recording or playback.
- Store the cassettes in their cases and keep them in an upright position to prevent intrusion of dust and uneven winding.

### On Cleaning

- Clean the cabinet, panel and controls with a dry, soft cloth, or a soft cloth slightly moistened with a mild detergent solution.
- Do not use any type of solvent, such as alcohol or benzene, which might damage the finish.

### On Repacking

- Do not throw away the carton and packing materials. They make an ideal container in which to transport the unit. When shipping the unit to another location, repack it as illustrated on the carton.

If you have any questions about this unit, contact your Sony dealer or a qualified technician.

## Introduction

### How to Use This Manual

This manual is arranged to help you quickly find the information you need for the operation of the SLV-373UC.

This manual consists of the following four sections.

- 1 Preliminaries
- 2 Preparations
- 3 Operations
- 4 Other Information

First, look through the Table of Contents. If you are already familiar with VCR operation, read starting from the "Preparations" section. If you are new to VCR operation, start with "Identifying the Operational Parts" (page 6) to familiarize yourself with this unit. To have a quick overview of the operation of this unit, refer to "Playing a Tape" (page 29), "Recording TV Programs" (page 36), and "Timer Recording" (page 40).

### Before You Begin

- Check that the following accessories are in the carton with your unit:
  - Remote Commander RMT-V373A (1)
  - Size AA (R6) batteries (2)
  - External antenna connector (1)
  - 75-ohm coaxial cable with F-type connectors (1)
  - AC power cord (1)
- In the text of this manual, buttons and switches are shown in capital letters.  
Example: Press PLAY.
- The buttons on the Commander and the unit with the same mark have the same functions.
- Notes are enclosed in boxes.

### Overview of the SLV-373UC

#### ■ For Editing

- **DUAL MODE SHUTTLE ring**  
Allows easy operation and quick access to the desired scene.
- **CONTROL S INPUT jack**  
Allows remote control of this VCR by other Sony video equipment with a CONTROL S OUTPUT jack.
- **Input connectors on the front panel**  
Offers easy connection to a video camera recorder.

#### ■ On-screen displays

- **Data screen**  
Tape counter, tape speed, operation mode, and remaining tape length are displayed on the TV screen.
- **AUTO MENU display**  
Allows selection of an automatic tape operation on the TV screen.
- **TIMER SET/CHECK display**  
Timer recording settings can be set and checked by referring to the TV screen.

#### ■ Convenient Functions

- **Auto tracking function**  
Automatically adjusts the tracking condition for maximum picture quality.
- **Timer recordings of 8 programs over a month**  
Recording of up to eight TV programs can be preset as much as one month in advance.
- **Index function**  
The beginning of a desired scene can be located easily with the index mark/index search function.
- **SWING SHUTTLE dial on the Commander**  
Allows playback in various speeds in forward and reverse directions.
- **Auto Head Cleaner**  
The video heads will automatically be cleaned each moment the power is turned on, the tape is loaded or ejected, for at least 50,000 times.

#### ■ High quality picture

- **High quality (HQ) picture**  
The SLV-373UC provides sharp, finely detailed pictures through High Quality (HQ) picture technology.  
**HQ** A video cassette recorder (VCR) with this marking incorporates VHS high-quality picture technology and is compatible with any video cassette recorder bearing the **VHS** mark.

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