



xl Camera Guidebook

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The camera you want today. with everything you'll need tomorrow

The Graflex xl Camera Systems: photography's first complete and truly flexible system. It gives you virtually unlimited versatility for all photographic assignments . . . sports, news, industrial, portrait, fashion, macrophotography, even photocopying.

And your new easy-handling xl

camera body is the cornerstone of the Graflex xl Camera Systems. With this precision-engineered camera as a base, you can work with any combination of xl backs and accessories . . . and you have the flexibility to custom-build the type of camera system you've always wanted.

#### There are three xI camera bodies:



xlrf (with rangefinder)



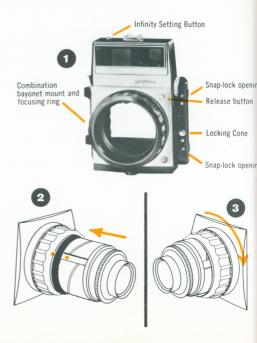
xI standard (without rangefinder)



xlsw (super wide angle body)

## Attaching lenses to xl camera bodies

- 1. Lenses attach to xI camera bayonet mount and focusing ring. Simply rotate the focusing ring counterclockwise until it stops. Depress the release button on the front of the camera body—freeing the focusing ring. Continue to rotate the ring until the interior guides align.
- 2. To insert the barrel, line up the red dot on the lens-and-barrel unit with the white dot on the focusing ring. In this position, lower the barrel into the focusing ring mount. Gently force the barrel in as far as it will go.
- **3.** Once the barrel is placed in the mount, turn the focusing ring clockwise to secure it. As you turn the ring, you will hear a click. This sound indicates that the barrel is firmly in place on the interior guides of the focusing ring. Continue to rotate the focusing ring clockwise until pressure tells you it will go no farther. The lens is now in the infinity focus position.



Attaching backs and accessories to xl camera bodies

The back of the xI camera body has easy-mounting, snap-lock openings (Figure 1). All xI backs and accessories, including the xI Graflok® back, xI Polaroid\* pack film holder, xI RH/50 roll film holder have four corresponding metal posts which fit into these snap-lock openings.

To attach backs or accessories to the xI camera back, align the four metal posts with the four snap-lock openings in the camera body. Press accessory into place on camera back. Secure and lock by sliding the locking cones on both sides of camera downward.

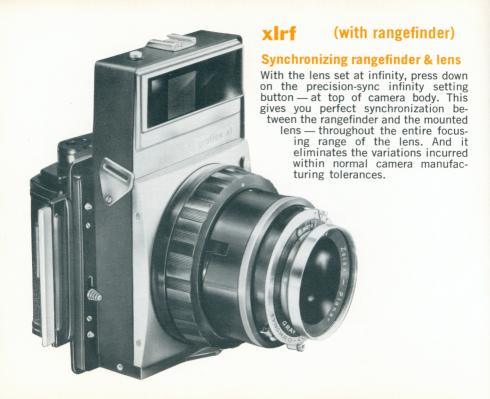
To remove the mounted accessory, reverse the process. Slide the locking cones upward — hold — and remove the accessory.

The Graflex xI Camera Systems offer great new convenience to left-handed photographers. On xI camera bodies, backs and accessories easily attach for either right or left hand operation.
\*Reg. T.M. Polaroid Corp.



Some Graflex xI Camera Systems Components





GRAFLEX XI CAMERA SYSTEMS WARRANTY REGISTRATION CARD  xI Camera Body: □ xIrf Rangefinder Body	MAJOR COMPONENTS OF SYSTEM  PLAN TO PURCHASE LATER  PURCHASED WITH BODY
SERIAL NO.	RH/8 2¼ x 3¼ 120 Roll
□ xlsw Super Wide	RH/10 21/4 x 23/4 120 Roll
Angle Body	₩ RH/12 2¼ x 2¼ 120 Roll
	RH/12 2½ x 2½ 120 Roll RH/20 2½ x 2¾ 220 Roll
Owner's Name	로 RH/50 2¼ x 2¼ 70mm
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	FILM PACK ADAPTER
CityStateZip	SHEET FILM HOLDER
	180mm f4.8 SONNAR
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(DEALER)	100mm f2.8 PLANAR
Dealer CityState	95mm f3.5 YSAREX
Destan Ostoroma	95mm f2.8 HELIGON 80mm f2.8 PLANAR
Dealer Salesman	9 80mm f2.8 PLANAR
SYSTEM WILL BE USED FOR:	80mm f2.8 HELIGON
☐ Press ☐ Wedding ☐ Educ.	58mm f5.6 GRANDAGON
☐ Commercial ☐ Free Lance ☐ Adv. Am.	47mm f8 SUPER ANGULON
☐ Studio ☐ Industrial ☐ Other	xI MULTIGRIP
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Serial Nos.....

#### LOCATION OF SERIAL NUMBERS









## IMPORTANT:

Fill out this card completely and mail at once to Graflex, Inc., Rochester, N.Y. 14603.

Warranty effective only if equipment is registered within 60 days by means of this card or suitable substitute. No postage necessary.

#### **Rangefinder Focusing**

As you begin to focus on the subject, it appears as a double, overlapping image. To bring the subject into exact focus, rotate the focusing ring until you see only one, crisp, single image.

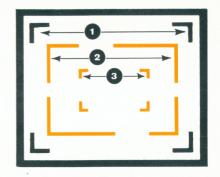


#### **Areas of View**

For the 80, 100 and 180mm lenses, the areas of view provided by the xl rangefinder represent 90% of the actual picture size—at infinity.

As you look through the rangefinder, you see three areas of view:

1. The large, outside, floating-line frame. This area indicates the ideal format size for the 80mm lens.



- 2. The middle floating-line frame. This represents the ideal format area for the 100mm lens.
- 3. The small, inside, floating-line frame. This is the ideal format area for 180mm lenses.

#### **Parallax**

The xl camera automatically corrects parallax in all areas of view, except the full, unframed area. In this area, used for 80mm lenses, it is suggested that 180mm bright view frame be used to center the subject.

## xl standard (without rangefinder)

The adaptable, custom-designed xl standard is ideally suited for tripod use. But, with the xl sportsfinder attached, it suddenly becomes an on-the-go, easy-to-use, top-performing hand held camera.

## Attaching lenses, backs and accessories

For the xI standard, the method of attaching lenses, backs and accessories is identical to that used for the xIrf (with rangefinder).

#### **Focusing**

To focus the xI standard, simply estimate the distance from camera to subject. Then turn the focusing ring until the white index mark aligns with the footage mark on the lens barrel.

Or you can focus with the ground glass in one of the three xI focusing panels.



### xisw (super wide angle body)

The unique and versatile xlsw, designed expressly for wide angle photography, is used with the xl 47mm extreme wide angle lens. With the addition of spacers, lenses, backs and accessories, you can easily and successfully use the xlsw for all kinds of photographic assignments—including extreme close-up photography.

## Attaching lenses, backs and accessories

For the xlsw wide angle camera, use the same method of attaching barrellens units and backs or accessories as described for the xlrf (with rangefinder).

#### **Focusing**

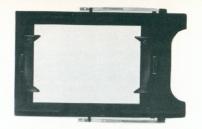
To focus the xIsw, simply estimate the distance from camera to subject. Then turn the focusing ring until the white index mark lines up with the footage mark on the lens barrel.

Or you can focus with the ground glass in one of the three xl focusing panels.

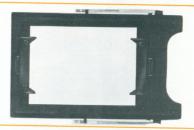


## xl focusing panels

1. Focusing panel with Ground Glass. Ideal for general photographic work with magnifier.

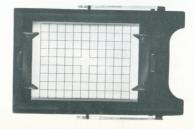


2. Focusing Panel with Fresnel lens. Excellent for use in poorly lighted conditions. Gives bright, clear details even at the edges of the frame.



3. Focusing panel with Perspective Grid Lines. For wide angle, sharp angle and perspective shots. Eliminates guesswork in checking alignments.

For more complete information about xI focusing panels, see the xI Focusing Panel Guidebook.



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