



MODEL BTC-5FHDX



PLEASE READ THIS MANUAL BEFORE USE

INSTRUCTION MANUAL



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TRAIL CAMERAS

**Thank you for purchasing a Browning Trail Camera. Our trail cameras are constructed of the finest workmanship and materials available. As hunters ourselves, we have designed our products to help you get the most of your time in the field. We hope you enjoy scouting game for years to come with your new Browning Trail Camera.**

**Our customer service team is here to help you with any questions you may have operating or setting up your new trail camera. Our representatives are available Monday through Friday from 9am to 5pm CST.**

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# QUICK START GUIDE

## STEP 1

Press the battery tray eject button to release the battery tray. The tray will eject about 1/2". With a slight pull, the tray will completely eject. Insert 6 AA Alkaline Batteries and an SD card into the camera.



## STEP 2

Using the control pad, set the time and date.



## STEP 3

Press the MODE button once. Camera will countdown a 30 second delay and then be ready to capture images.



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## Getting Started

Package contents:

1- Trail Camera

1- 6' Tree Strap

1- Instruction Manual

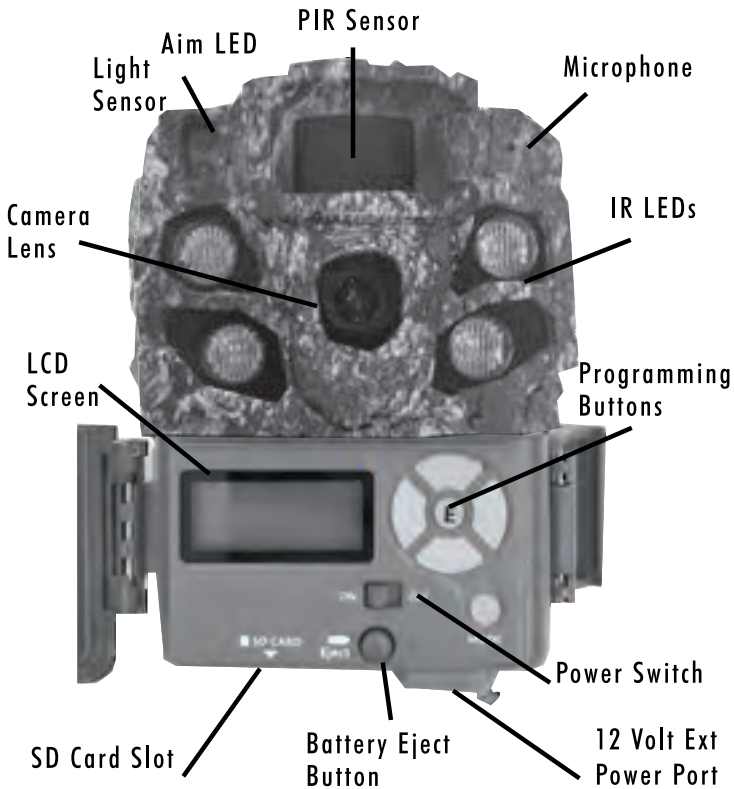


## SD Card Selection

Install a good quality memory card. The best brands of SD cards are Browning branded cards, Sandisk or Kingston branded cards. Your camera can operate on standard class 10 or higher SD cards ranging from 8-32 GB. You can also use higher capacity SDXC cards ranging from 64-512GB. Please see page 23 for a graph showing how many photos, videos and timelapse segments can be stored on SDHC or SDXC cards from 8-32GB. Based on your intended camera usage, this table will help you determine what size SD card you need to use in your camera.



## Camera Diagram



## Battery Installation

Release the battery tray by pressing the Battery Eject button. The battery tray will eject about 1/2". To completely remove the battery tray, simply pull the battery tray with a bit of force.

Install 6 AA Alkaline, Lithium or Rechargeable batteries in the battery tray. Make sure you install the batteries with the correct polarity, following the markings on the battery tray. For optimal performance we recommend using Browning branded batteries, Energizer™ or Duracell™.

Slide the battery tray into the closed position.



Battery  
Eject  
Button





## Home Screen

Turn the camera's power on by sliding the power switch to the ON position.



The home screen displays the camera operation mode, pictures or videos taken, pictures or videos possible on the SD card, camera delay countdown and battery life icon. With home screen displayed, the camera is armed and ready to start taking pictures.

The possible camera modes displayed are Trail, Video and Timelapse Plus.

The delay countdown changes to RDY to indicate the camera is ready to take a picture.

The battery life meter shows the state of charge left in your batteries.

The battery indicator changes to EXT when an external battery is plugged into the external power port.



## Set Time and Date

**SET DATE / TIME**  
**01 / 02 / 23 10:30AM**

To Set the time and date:

From the HOME screen, press the MODE button once. This will take you to the SET TIME AND DATE screen.

Press the ENTER button once. The month selection will begin flashing. Use the UP and DOWN buttons to set the correct month.

When finished setting the month, press the RIGHT ARROW key to advance to set the correct day. Continue through all settings in this manner until the correct time and date appear.

Press the ENTER button once after you have made your selection for AM/PM. This will lock in your settings.

Once finished, press the DOWN ARROW key to continue to the next camera setting option.





## Operation Mode

### OPERATION MODE TRAIL

To set the camera's CAPTURE MODE, press the ENTER button once. The selection TRAIL will begin to flash.

Using the UP or DOWN arrow keys, select the operation mode for your camera. Press the ENTER key when finished.  
CAPTURE MODE OPTIONS:

- TRAIL CAM This setting will take still pictures of game during the day and night, when motion is detected. This is the most popular setting for trail camera use. If you are new to trail cameras, this is the best setting to use.
- VIDEO MODE This setting will take HD video clips of game during the day and night.
- TIMELAPSE PLUS Timelapse Plus mode takes pictures during the day at pre set intervals, which is good for scouting a large open field where you are not sure where game is travelling. In addition, your camera will also take motion activated pictures as well during the day and night to make sure you do not miss any game activity.

To continue and set the camera's PHOTO QUALITY, press the down arrow once.

## Photo Quality

To set the PHOTO QUALITY, press the ENTER button once. The selection will begin flashing. Use the UP and DOWN arrow keys to make your selection.

OPTIONS:

LOW 2 MP

MED 4 MP

HIGH 8 MP

ULTRA 24 MP

Press ENTER button to save. Press the DOWN arrow to set the VIDEO RESOLUTION.

## Video Quality

To change your video settings, press the ENTER button once to make the default selection flash. Use the UP and DOWN arrows to change selections. Press the ENTER button to save the changes.

VIDEO RESOLUTIONS

HIGH- 720p @ 30 fps

ULTRA 1080p @ 30 fps





## Video Length

### VIDEO LENGTH

You can select the length of your video clip as well in the VIDEO LENGTH window. Your options are: 5, 10, 20, 30 seconds, 1 minute or 2 minute lengths.

#### NOTES:

To conserve battery power, your night videos are limited to a maximum time of 20 seconds. For example, if your video length is set at 30 seconds, your camera will take 30 second videos during the day, and your night videos will be limited to 20 seconds.

Press the DOWN arrow once to proceed to the PICTURE DELAY.

## Picture Delay

To set PICTURE DELAY, press the ENTER button once. The selection will begin flashing. Use the UP and DOWN arrow keys to make your selection.

#### DELAY OPTIONS:

1, 5, 10, 20, 30 seconds

1, 5, 10, 30, 60 minutes.

Press the ENTER button to save selection.

The DELAY option allows you to choose how much of a "timeout" there is between taking still pictures or videos.

Press the DOWN arrow button to proceed to the MULTI SHOT settings.

## Multi Shot Mode

To program the MULTI SHOT mode, press the ENTER button once. The selection field will begin to flash. Make your selection using the UP and DOWN arrows. Press the ENTER button to save your selection.

Your Browning Trail Camera can take multiple shots each time the camera is triggered. The default setting is 1 picture.

Your options are as follows:

**-MULTI SHOT OFF** This is the default setting. Your camera will only take 1 picture when triggered.

**-MULTI SHOT STANDARD** The selections available are 2-8 shots in this mode. If you select 4-SHOT STANDARD, your camera will take 4 pictures, spaced 3 seconds apart.

**-RAPID FIRE** This selection allows rapid image capture. When triggered, your camera will take 2-8 RAPID FIRE shots, with only 0.3 seconds between pictures. Your available options are 2, 3,4,5,6,7, or 8 RAPID FIRE shots.

Press the DOWN arrow button to proceed to the next settings.





## Temperature Units

Your temperature units can be displayed on the picture's info bar in Fahrenheit or Celsius. To change the selection, Press the ENTER button once, and then use the UP and DOWN arrows to make your selection. Press ENTER to save your selection.

Press the DOWN button to proceed to the next setting.

## HDR

The HDR function enhances the illumination of pictures taken at night. This option is best used for enhancing pictures taken of game at a long distance.

## Camera Name

You can add a custom name for your camera if needed. To name your camera, Press the ENTER button once. This will highlight the first character in the camera name. Use the UP and DOWN arrows to change the field. Press the RIGHT ARROW button to move to the next letter. Your available characters are Capital A-Z, 0-9 or a blank space. When finished, press the ENTER key to save your selection.

Press the DOWN button to proceed to the setting for the IMAGE DATA STRIP.



## Image Data Strip

Your trail camera has an information bar that is printed at the bottom of each photo taken. This info strip shows the following information: time, date, moonphase, temperature and camera ID. This option can be turned on or off, using the ENTER button to unlock, UP and DOWN to change, ENTER to lock new selection.

Press the DOWN BUTTON to continue to the Motion Test feature.

## Motion Test

Your trail camera is equipped with a MOTION TEST feature. This feature helps you aim the camera at your target area. With the motion test turned on, simply walk around in your target area. When your presence is detected, a red LED on the front of the camera will flash.

Simply press the ENTER button, the selection will flash. Use the UP and DOWN arrows to change the option. Press the ENTER button to confirm selection.

Make sure you turn OFF the MOTION TEST function before leaving the camera in the field. Press the MODE button while in test mode to exit test mode.

Press the DOWN arrow to proceed to the next setting.



## Motion Detection

The motion detection distance can be adjusted to either 60ft or 80ft. Simply press the ENTER button to toggle between selections using the UP and DOWN buttons, and press ENTER to save selection.

## Battery Type

To achieve the most accurate battery level reading, your camera can be adjusted to monitor either Alkaline, Lithium or Rechargeable batteries. The default setting is ALKALINE. If you are using Lithium or Rechargeable batteries, press the ENTER button once and use the UP or DOWN arrow to change your battery type.

## Trigger Speed

Your camera can be configured to a custom trigger speed of NORMAL(0.7 seconds) or FAST(0.13 seconds) depending on the location of your camera. We recommend the NORMAL setting for areas where game is moving more slowly, such as feeding areas. The FAST setting is normally used for monitoring trails.

## Default Settings

The Default Settings option will return the camera to its factory default settings



## Timelapse Settings

Your Browning Trail Camera has the ability to function as a timelapse camera. This is useful if you want to view the entire activity in a given area such as a large field. We recommend you use the TRAIL CAM mode for game when watching trails and feeding areas.

**TIMELAPSE FREQ**  
**20 SECONDS**

### TIMELAPSE FREQUENCY

Your trail camera can be set to take timelapse pictures at the following frequencies: 5, 10, 20, 30 seconds, 1, 2, 5, 10, 30 and 60 minutes.

**TIMELAPSE PERIOD**  
**3 HOUR**

### TIMELAPSE PERIOD

The timelapse period controls how many hours per day the camera captures timelapse images. Your available TIMELAPSE PERIOD options are:

- **ALL DAY** Camera takes images from sunrise to sunset.
- **1, 2, 3 or 4 HOUR** These Durations limit the camera to take images either 1, 2, 3 or 4 hours after sunrise and 1, 2, 3 or 4 hours prior to sunset.

**NOTE:** Your trail camera learns the length of a day and constantly adjusts the 1, 2, 3 or 4 hour duration modes automatically.

Press the **DOWN** button to advance to the next camera menu option.





## Smart IR Video

Smart IR Video is a feature that will allow a daytime video clip to keep recording as long as the camera detects movement during filming. If the deer stands still in front of the camera and the camera does not detect movement, the camera will end the video clip. The maximum record time for a video clip using this feature is 5 minutes.

To enable Smart IR Video, press the ENTER button once, the NO will flash. Press the UP button once, the NO will change to YES. Press the ENTER button once to lock your selection. Press the DOWN arrow to advance to the next setting option.

## SD Management

By turning the SD Card Management feature ON, the camera will erase the oldest pictures or videos on the SD card when the SD card becomes full. This allows your camera to continue taking pictures if you can't get to the field to swap out SD cards.

If the SD Card Management feature is turned off, when your SD card fills up, the camera will not record any additional pictures or videos when triggered until you change out the SD card or delete the images.

Press the DOWN arrow to continue to additional settings.

## Delete All

By selecting DELETE ALL, all of the images on your SD card are erased. This function also reformats your SD card. It is a good idea to use the DELETE ALL function and reformat your SD card each time you install it in the camera for use.



## IR Flash Power

You can adjust the IR LED power in night photos to your specific application.

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|-------------|---|
| Economy     | This is the most economical power setting. Perfect for wooded areas, and where game is within 70 ft. of the camera. |
| Long Range  | This setting is perfect for pictures in open areas, or where game may be out to distances of 110 ft.                |
| Fast Motion | This setting is perfect for areas where game is moving quickly.   |



## Capture Timer

The capture timer allows you to set a start and stop time for your camera to take pictures or videos. The default setting is 24 hrs.

For example, if you wanted to only take night photos, you could set the **START** time at 7pm, and the **STOP** time to 5am. This would allow the camera to only capture photos and videos from 7pm until 5am.

## Firmware Upgrade

This function allows you to upgrade the firmware in your trail camera. If an update is available, it will be posted on our website at: [www.browningtrailcameras.com](http://www.browningtrailcameras.com), under the Customer Service tab.

## Image Retrieval

The most popular way to review the images on your SD card is to review the images on your home computer. The pictures can be viewed on both PC and Mac computers.

Simply insert the SD card into the SD card slot on your desktop or laptop computer. If your computer does not have an SD card slot, you will need an SD card reader. These are inexpensive and can be found at your local sporting goods or electronics store.

After your SD card is inserted into your computer, navigate to **START/MY COMPUTER/**. Look for the SD card icon.

Double click on the SD card icon. A folder named **DCIM** will appear. Double click on the **DCIM** folder. A new folder appears with called **100\_BTCF**. Your pictures are in this folder.





## Timelapse Viewer Installation

**INSTALLING THE TIMELAPSE VIEWER SOFTWARE IS FOR VIEWING YOUR TIMELAPSE FILES. YOUR COMPUTER ALREADY HAS PROGRAMS INSTALLED TO VIEW STILL PICTURES AND VIDEOS CLIPS.**

In order to playback your **TIMELAPSE FILES**, you need to install the Browning Buck Watch Timelapse Viewer software. This software will work on any PC running Windows XP or later versions. The Buck Watch Timelapse Viewer can be downloaded from our website at: [www.browningtrailcameras.com](http://www.browningtrailcameras.com), and view the **CUSTOMER SERVICE** tab.

**IMPORTANT:** Once you have loaded the Buck Watch viewer on your computer, a full set of operation instruction is available by clicking on the **HELP** icon in the viewer

## Field Installation



- We recommend mounting your new trail camera at a height of approximately 3 feet off the ground.
- The heavy duty 1" nylon strap threads through the strap mounting loops in the back of the camera and will secure your trail camera to trees large or small.
- For optimal trail camera mounting, we recommend using the Browning Trail Camera Tree Mount. This mount has a locking gimbal that can position your trail camera at the optimal angle.
- The back of your trail camera is also equipped with built in security cable loops. These are perfect for using a locking steel cable or a 5/16" Python™ cable lock (not included).



## Warranty

### ONE YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY

Your Browning Trail Camera warranty covers your trail camera for one year. We warrant that your camera will be free from defects in workmanship and materials when operated in normal use and conditions. This warranty will allow Browning Trail Cameras, at its discretion, to repair the product or replace it with a new or refurbished unit.

#### Warranty limitations:

This warranty does not cover cameras that have been:

1. Neglected or abused (including, but not limited to water damage caused by submersion, battery leakage, or improper storage).
2. Modifications or repairs by unauthorized agents.
3. Damaged cameras that have cracked or broken outer cases due to excessive impact, heat or mishandling.
4. Damages caused by wild animals.

#### WARRANTY SERVICE

In the event warranty service is needed, contact Browning Trail Camera's customer service at 1.888.618.4496. Our knowledgeable agents can help troubleshoot any issues with your trail camera. In the event your camera needs to be returned for service, our agents will provide the needed information. You will also need your original receipt, or proof of purchase for warranty service. You are responsible for packaging and shipping cost of your camera unit to our warranty center.



## Accessories

We offer a full line of accessories for use with your new Browning Trail Camera.

### AA BATTERIES



### STEEL SECURITY BOXES



### SD CARDS



### TREE MOUNTS





## FCC Statement



This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful 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 or relocate the receiving antenna.

- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.

- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.

- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

Shielded cables with ferrite must be used with this unit to ensure compliance with the Class B FCC limits.

**Warning:** Changes or modifications to this unit not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

# Camera Specifications

PHOTOS	YES	Effective Pixels	1920x1080
Ultra	24 MP	Removable Memory	up to 512GB
High	8 MP	Trigger Time	0.13 - 0.7 Seconds Adjustable
Medium	4 MP	Field of View	53 degrees
Low	2 MP	Shooting Modes	Still, Video, Timelapse Plus
VIDEOS	YES	Battery Requirements	6 AA Alkaline, Lithium or Rechargeable Batteries
Ultra	1920 x 1080 30 fps	Mounting	1" nylon strap 6" long
High	1280 x 720 @ 30 fps	Aux. Power Input	12V
Length	5, 10,20, 30 sec. 1, 2min.	IR Detection	60-80ft. Adjustable
Sound	YES	IR Flash Illumination	Adjustable up to 110 ft.
TIMELAPSE	YES	Certifications	FCC, CE
Modes	Timelapse plus IR triggered pictures	Info printed on Picture	time, date, moonphase, temp, Cam ID
Timelapse Delays	5,10, 20,30sec.,1,2,5,10,30,60min.	Other features	SD card Managements, Smart IR Video

## SD card selection

Number of pictures, videos or timelapse segments that can be stored on each size SD card. Actual picture counts may vary.

	8GB	16GB	32GB
<b>PHOTOS</b>			
24 MP	1400	2800	5700
8 MP	3600	7200	14000
4 MP	7300	14000	28000
2 MP	14000	25000	50000
<b>VIDEOS (20 Seconds)</b>			
Ultra Resolution	70	140	280
High Resolution	126	240	480
<b>TIMELAPSE</b>			
All Day @ 1 Min. intervals	16 days	32 days	64 days



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