

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS: Videomate 438•538•638



Extending the Tripod

- To spread the legs of the tripod, push the **radial leg braces** in a downward motion and the tripod legs in an outward motion until the tripod has reached maximum leg spread.
- To extend the tripod legs, release the tab on one of the **quick lever leg locks**, and slide the leg to a desired length. Push the tab on the **quick lever leg lock** back down, securing the leg in place. Repeat this process for the remaining leg locking levers to achieve your desired height. If the ground is not even, the legs can be extended to different lengths.
- You can also adjust the height of your tripod by raising the **gear operated center column**. First, loosen the **center column locking knob** to unlock the geared center column of the tripod. Flip the **gear handle** to a proper cranking position, and rotate the gear handle until the geared center column reaches a desired height. Then twist the **center column locking knob** until tight.

Attaching the Camera to the Tripod

Unlock the **quick release lever** by moving it outward from the panhead to release the **quick release camera mounting platform**. Remove the platform and attach it to the bottom of the camera by placing the **camera screw** into the screw mount opening on the bottom of the camera. Tighten the **camera screw** until the platform is snug to the base of the camera. Do not over tighten as it may damage the threads in the screw mount opening on the camera. Replace the platform with the mounted camera back onto the panhead in the original position and relock the platform lever. Failure to completely relock the platform can cause the camera to loosen from the top of the panhead.

Operating the Panhead

- For horizontal panning, loosen the **pan locking knob**, which will allow the panhead to move left or right horizontally. Tighten the **pan locking knob** to secure a horizontal position.
- To tilt the panhead up or down, loosen the **tilt locking knob**. Tighten the **tilt locking knob** to secure a horizontal position.

Caution: Do not let go of the **control handle** when the camera is mounted without locking the panhead into position.

Additional Features

- The **spirit level** should be used to level the tripod, allowing for optimum picture taking. To adjust the level of your tripod, it is necessary to adjust the extension of the tripod legs as previously instructed.
- The **rubber tipped feet** have the dual purpose of gripping the tripod to slippery surfaces and assisting with the leveling of the tripod when on uneven ground.

SPECIFICATIONS	Videomate 438	Videomate 538	Videomate 638
Extended Height	1535mm/60.43"	1610mm/63.39"	1710mm/67.32"
Folded Length	590mm/23.23"	610mm/24.02"	670mm/26.38"
Weight	1230g/2.71lb	1631g/3.6lb	1984g/4.37lb
Number of Leg Sections	3	3	3
Maximum Loading Capacity	2000g/4.41lb	4000g/8.82lb	6000g/13.22lb
Quick Release Platform Model	QB-4L	QB-5RL	QB-6RL