



# MOTOR-WINDER R8

The new MOTOR-WINDER R8 is a motor specially developed for the LEICA R8, thus representing the perfect match for the camera. Thanks to functions such as automatic film threading and motorised rewind, the new motorwinder ensures quick and user-friendly operation, opening up new possibilities to the photographer.

The LEICA MOTOR-WINDER R8 harmonises perfectly with the unique and ergonomic design of the camera and improves its handling even further. The extraordinarily compact construction of the winder is the deciding factor: the winder increases the camera's height and weight by only 20mm and 270g respectively. In addition, the winder is notable for its extremely quiet and unobtrusive operation.

The winder is fitted to the LEICA R8 by means of a single convenient tommy screw. Location pins ensure reliable electrical and mechanical connections. The 1/4" tripod thread in the baseplate enables the winder/camera combination to be mounted on a tripod. The

winder grip houses two lithium cells (type D123A or similar) which supply power to the motor of the winder as well as to the camera electronics. Extensive tests have shown that a set of these standard batteries, which are used in many compact cameras, is capable of exposing up to 15 films of 36 exposures at temperatures as low as -20°C.

The rapid wind lever is used to switch the MOTOR-WINDER R8 on or off, and the shutter is released in the usual way, i.e. by means of the shutter release button on the camera. When the rapid wind lever is in its "ready" position, the film can be wound on manually, whereas the film is automatically advanced to the next frame immediately after an exposure when the



rapid wind lever is in its parked position. By keeping the shutter release button depressed, continuous shooting is possible. In conjunction with the automatic film threading function of the LEICA R8, this option provides a degree of flexibility which is unique on the market, as the user is able to adapt to countless subjects and situations.

It is the two-stage motorised rewind that is a unique new feature for a motorwinder of this size - an



advantage that many customers have been waiting for. If the photographer does not want to use the rewind crank, he can activate the motor rewind process by means of a slide switch conveniently located for thumb operation in the centrerear of the winder. Following this operation the film tab is left protru-





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ding from the cartridge - an advantage which is especially important for users who process their own films. However, by operating this slide switch once again, the film can be fully wound into the cartridge, for example in order to identify a film that has been fully exposed. A number of practical accessories for the LEICA MOTOR-WINDER R8 are available in order to meet a wide range of additional photographic requirements:

### Power-Pack MW-R8

(Order No. 14250)\*

The function of the Power-Pack MW-R8 is to ensure maximum frame frequency even at low temperatures and to provide an economical power supply for frequent use. It is equipped with built-in rechargeable batteries which can be recharged to maximum capacity

within 2 hours by means of a *charging unit*, also available as an accessory (order No. 14412)\*. The plug on the POWER-PACK which automatically makes the electrical connection to the winder also serves as the charging terminal. The POWER-PACK MW-R8 can be fitted to the MOTOR-WINDER R8 quickly and easily by means of a tommy screw. It too is equipped with a tripod thread.

#### Remote-Control LEICA R8

(Order No. 14202)\*

Electronic remote control unit for the LEICA R8 which also functions as a timing pulse generator for automatic continuous releases; digital display.

Electric cable release with trigger switch (Order No. 14254)\*

The electric cable release is 0.3m

long and equipped with a screw-on plug for connection to the corresponding socket of the LEICA MOTOR-WINDER R8. When its trigger switch is pressed lightly, the user can read the LCD as usual.

25 m extension cables (Order No. 14275) can be used in conjunction with the electric cable release and the RC LEICA R8 for remote release from a distance of up to 100 m.

\* available in the third quarter of 1998



#### Technical Data

- Frame frequency: up to two frames per second
- Power supply: 2 lithium cells, type 123A, 3 Volts each
- Dimensions (W/H/D): 155/20 (with handgrip 86)/60 mm
- Weight (with. batt.): 270 g

### **MOTOR-WINDER R8**

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