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QuickTake Camera: Battery Life Improvement Hints (6/96)

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TOPIC -----

How long should my batteries in my QuickTake camera last? I understand that there are factors that affect battery usage, such as the flash and image downloading, but is there some general guideline for the batteries life?

DISCUSSION -----

The QuickTake Battery life using alkaline batteries is approximately 50 images, 50% of which are flash images, including image transfer to a computer. Battery life using NiCad (Eveready CH15) batteries is approximately around 100 images, 50% of which are flash images, including image transfer to a host.

There are many factors that can affect battery life with any product and it is very important that you use this information when calculating the total number of pictures the QuickTake Camera should create.

Battery Recommendations for QuickTake Cameras

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Here are a few battery recommendations for the Quicktake Cameras:

- Alkaline batteries exhibit an extremely short life when used with the QuickTake Cameras and should only be used when NiCad batteries (rechargeable batteries) are not available.
- The best and preferred recommendation for lasting performance is to use lithium batteries. The second best choice is to use NiCad batteries. The reasons for these recommendations are directly related to the current/voltage demands of the camera and the individual battery characteristics.

Improving Battery Performance

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- When you replace batteries, replace all the batteries in the camera. Do not mix old and new batteries. If you use a mix of new and old batteries, you hinder the performance of the fresh batteries.

- If you are using rechargeable NiCad batteries, replace batteries that are running low with a complete set of fully charged batteries.
- Batteries work best when the contact surfaces are clean. If necessary, clean these surfaces by gently rubbing with a clean pencil eraser or a cloth.

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