

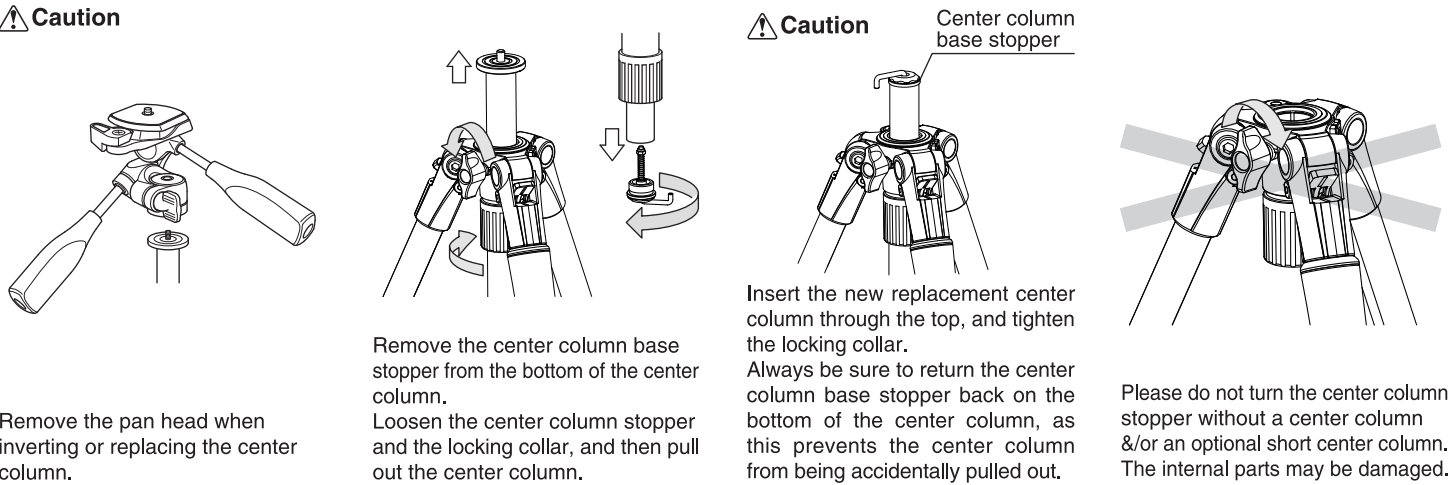
Extending the tripod legs



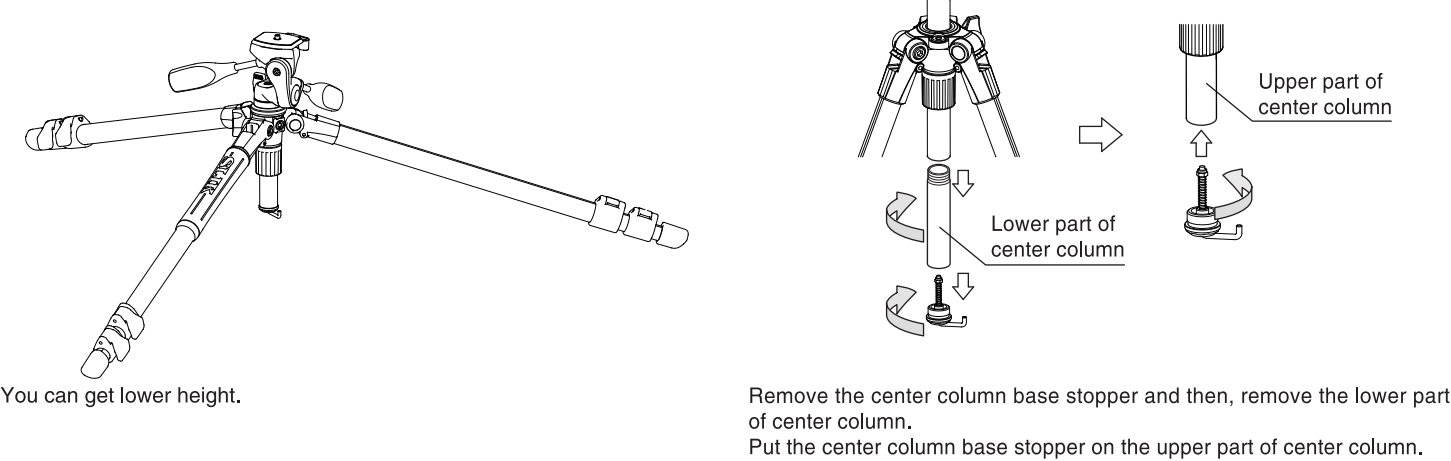
Flip up the leg lock lever to extend or shorten any of the individual leg sections to the desired length and press the leg lock lever flush against the leg to lock.

It is easier to extend the tripod logs if you turn the leg-tips to the foot, while leaving legs close.

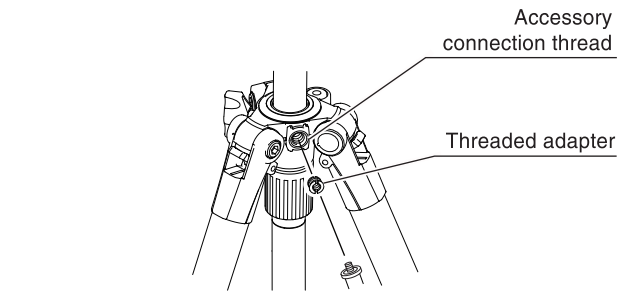
Inverting the center column



How to get low position shots



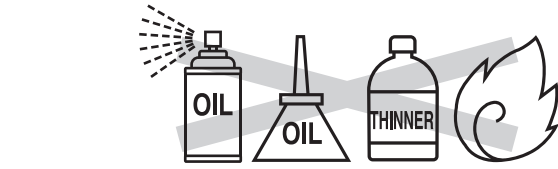
Accessory connection thread



The tripod has 1/4" (if you take off the threaded adapter, 3/8") female thread which can be used to attach accessories, such as a light, a monitor, etc.

Care of the tripod

- DO NOT apply any grease or oil to this product.
- Clean with a mild detergent and a soft cloth only.
- DO NOT use close to flame. Avoid extreme heat.



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PRO AL-500 SERIES Tripod

Operating Instructions

Thank you very much for choosing SLIK PRO AL-500 SERIES Tripod. The SLIK Corporation has designed your tripod to be a sturdy, rugged, dependable product that will provide you with many years of satisfactory use.

Please take a few moments to read this operating instruction carefully before use so that you can take full advantage of your Tripod's many fine features. Retain this operating instruction in case you might want to refer back to it.

Caution

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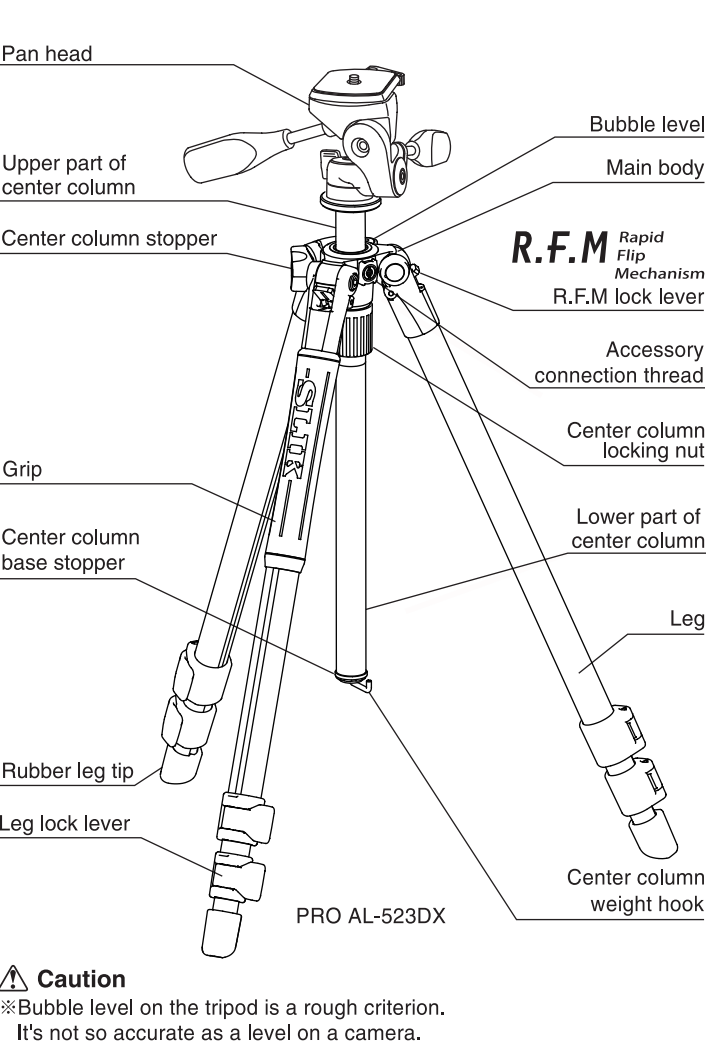
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Specification

PRO AL-523DX	
Folded length	650mm (25.6 in)
Max. operating height	1,675mm (65.9 in)
Max. center column ext.	320mm (12.5 in)
Weight	2,360g (5.21 lbs)
PRO AL-523	
Folded length	585mm (23.1 in)
Max. operating height	1,575mm (62 in)
Max. center column ext.	320mm (12.5 in)
Weight	1,710g (3.77 lbs)

With exclusive case

Components

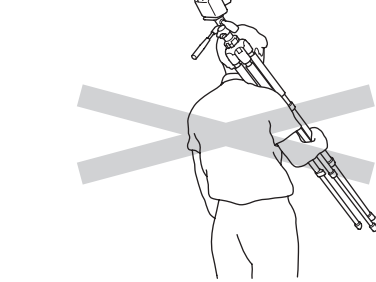


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※Bubble level on the tripod is a rough criterion. It's not so accurate as a level on a camera.

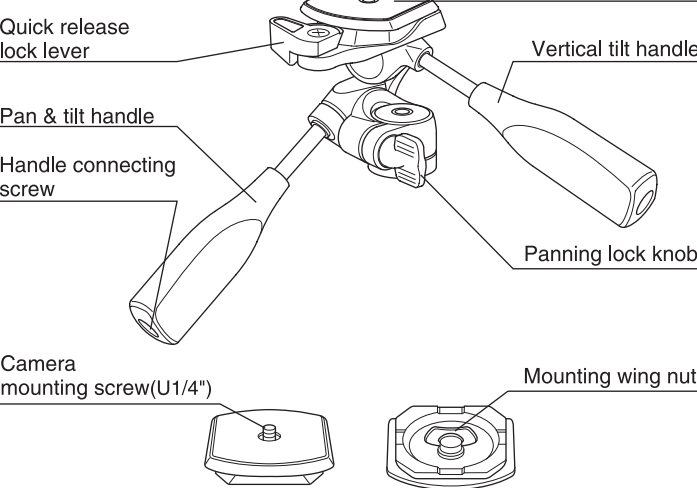
Carrying the tripod

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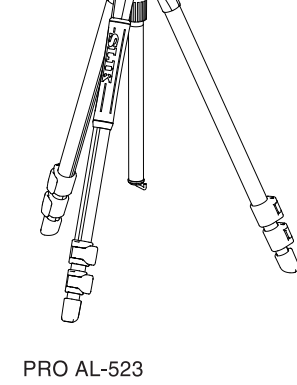
Carrying a tripod with a camera left on can result in unexpected accidents. We therefore, recommend you to remove your camera while carrying the tripod.

Pan head



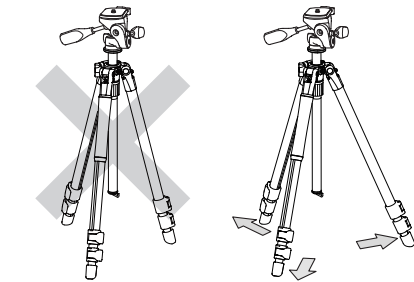
Equipment that can be loaded on this tripod

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Setting up

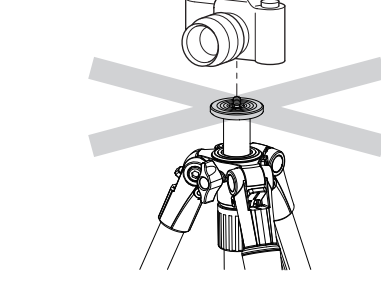
Caution



To prevent accidental equipment fall or tripod tipping over, making sure all levers, knobs and handles on the tripod are securely tightened. And all of the three legs are opened all the way.

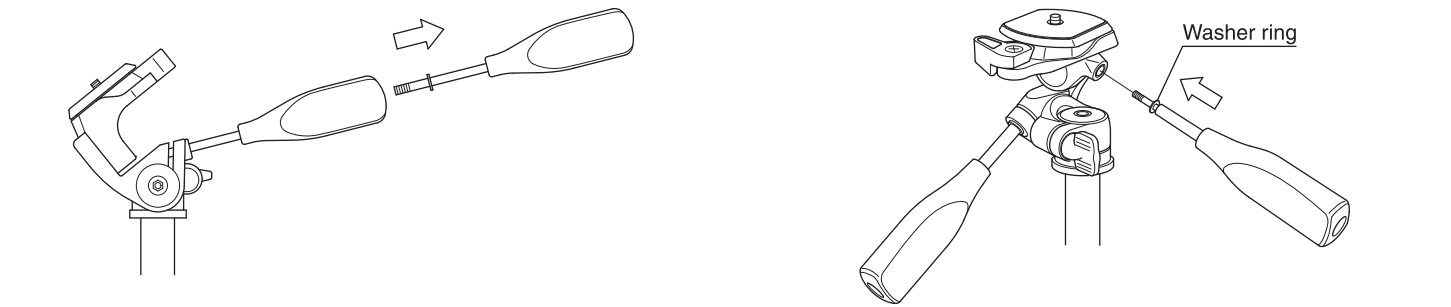
Pan head mounting post

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Do not attach a camera directly to the pan head attachment screw. This may damage both your camera and tripod.

Install the vertical tilt handle



Remove the vertical tilt handle from the back of the pan & tilt handle where it is stored.

Check to see that there is a washer ring on the shaft of the vertical tilt handle, and then insert the shaft into the threaded hole located on the right side of the pan head. Screw handle all the way in until secure.

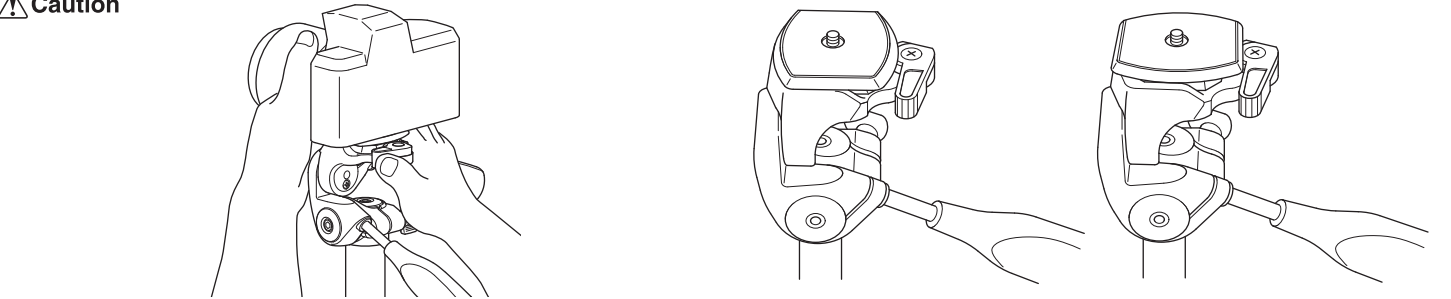
Attaching the camera to the quick release shoe



To remove the quick release shoe from the pan head, turn quick release lock lever and lift out the quick release shoe from its back.

Align the length of the quick release shoe along the base of the camera body, and securely tighten the mounting wing nut.

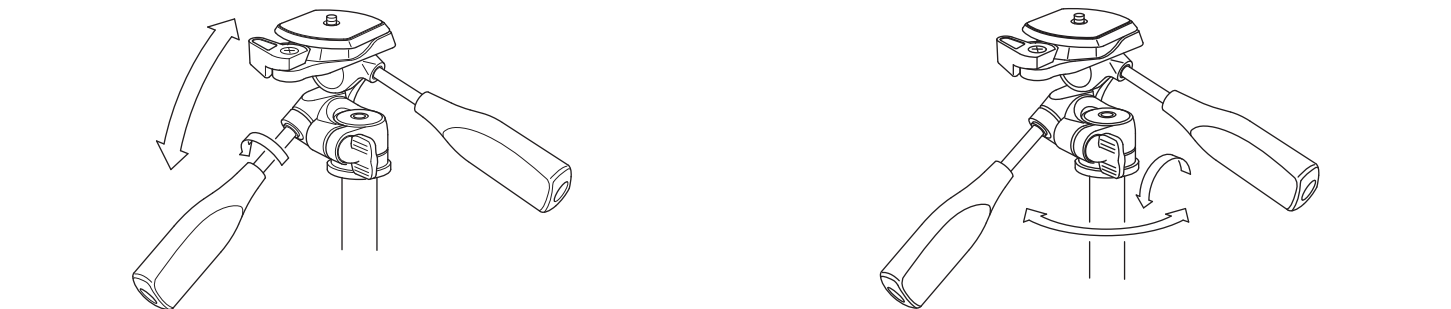
Caution



When attaching the camera to the pan head, check to make sure that the quick release shoe is engaged in the catch of the pan head before locking the lever.

The quick release shoe can be attached to the camera body in either directions (along the length, or along the width). This feature facilitates your camera set up into the vertical position, simply by the turn of one of the tilt handles.

Using the pan head



Loosen the pan & tilt handle, and the head will tilt back and forth.

Loosen the panning lock knob, and the head will rotate along the horizontal direction.

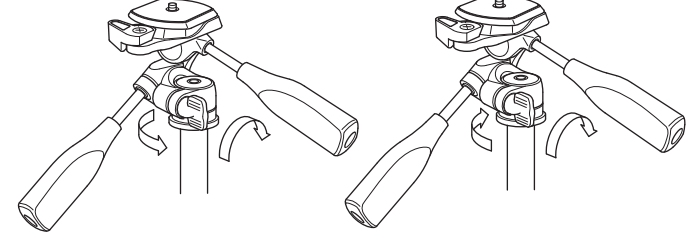
Using the pan head (Continued)



Loosen the Vertical tilt handle, and the level can be adjusted.

When loosening either the pan & tilt handle, or the vertical tilt handle, take precaution by keeping a firm grip on the handle until the pan head is locked down.

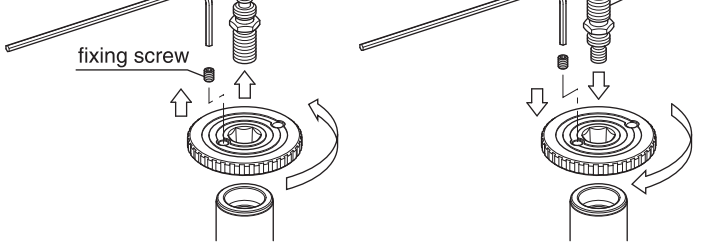
Removing the head from the center column



Use the following instructions if you wish to change heads, or attach accessories. First, lock the panning lock knob, then grasp the pan, or vertical tilt handle and turn the head, counter-clockwise to loosen.

Set the new head, or accessory on the tripod's threaded post, and turn clockwise until it comes to a stop. Tighten the panning lock knob and turn clockwise slightly more.

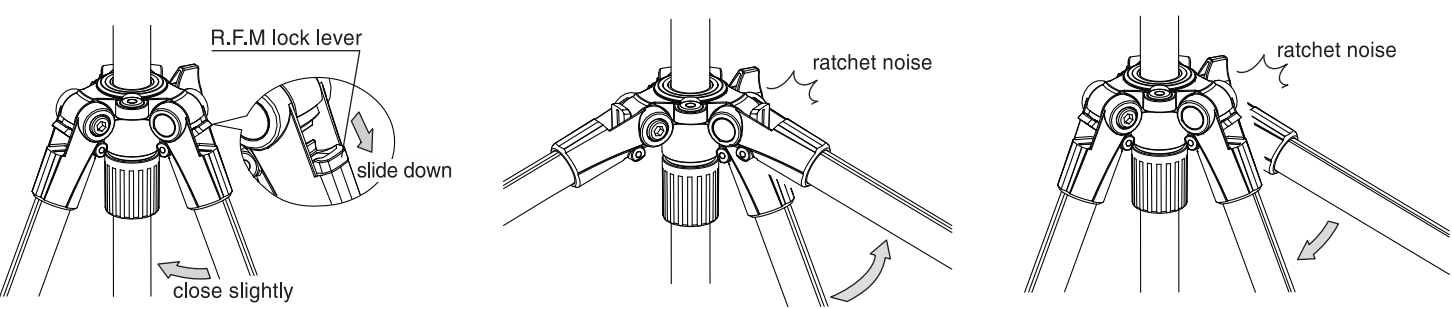
How to change the panhead attachment screw



To change the U3/8" screw, loosen the fixing screw with an allen wrench (2.5mm width) and rotate the center column plate to remove from the center column. Then push out the panhead attachment screw from the bottom.

Flip the panhead attachment screw and put back to the center column plate. Screw in the center column plate and the panhead attachment screw. Tighten the fixing screw to avoid the rotating the center column plate while in use.

R.F.M Three position adjustable legs

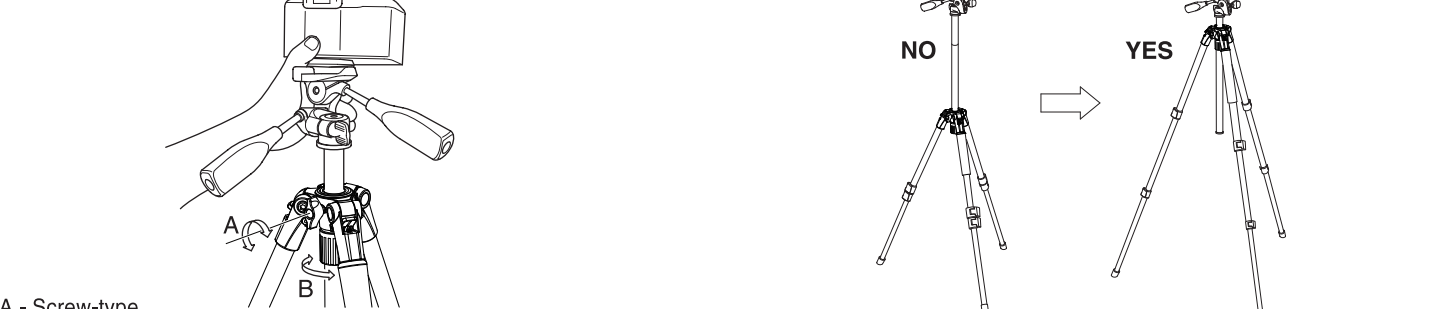


Close the leg slightly and slide the R.F.M lock lever down.

Move the leg up slowly, it will make a ratchet noise at a certain point. This position is the low position.

Close the leg further, a middle position or regular leg position can be chosen.

Operating the center column



A - Screw-type
Center column stopper is used to lock or unlock center column.

B - Twist-type
Center column locking nut is used to adjust a tension of the movement. The both of A and B must be locked for fixing center column.

To avoid unnecessary camera vibrations, try to keep the center column height to a minimum. Also use the larger legs first when extending the legs.