



CAMERA PRODUCTION GUIDE | **SONY FX9**

Settings and best-practices for XAVC capture with the Sony PXW-FX9 on Netflix 4k Originals.

Current Operation Manual: [HERE](#)

CAPTURE SETTINGS | **4K XAVC**

| SETTING | MENU | SELECTION |
|---------------|--|---|
| SHOOTING MODE | Project → Base Setting → Shooting Mode | Cine EI |
| COLOR SPACE | Project → Cine EI Setting → Color Gamut* | S-Gamut3.Cine / SLog3 S-Gamut3 / SLog3 |
| XAVC FORMAT | Project → Rec Format → Codec | XAVC -I |
| VIDEO FORMAT | Project → Rec Format → Video Format | 3840 x 2160 4096 x 2160 |
| DUAL BASE ISO | Shooting → ISO/Gain/EI → Base ISO | ISO 800 ISO 4000 |

* S-Gamut3.Cine / SLog3 is the most common color space used on FX9 productions.



Production Workflows & Imaging

HIGH SPEED | 4K XAVC

| FORMAT | MAX FPS | MAX RESOLUTION |
|--------|---------|----------------|
| XAVC-I | 60fps | 3840 x 2160 |

OPTIMIZING PERFORMANCE | 4K XAVC

| SETTING | MENU | STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| AUTO BLACK BALANCE (ABB) | Shooting → Auto Black Balance → | Perform at start of day once camera has reached operating temperature. |
| AUTO PIXEL RESTORATION (APR) | Technical → APR → APR Execute | Perform at start of day once camera has reached operating temperature. |

These functions can help ensure a clean, consistent image.

ABB - Normalize black levels and reduce fixed pattern noise. Fairly good at fixing hot pixels.

APR - Eliminate hot pixels by completely mapping them out.

If **ABB** fails to correct a hot pixel, **APR** may help. If offending pixels are still present after **APR**, camera should be sent to Sony for manual RPN correction.

Recommended exposure values for S-LOG3

| Input reflection | 0% Black (IRE0%) | | 18% Grey (IRE20%) | | 90% White (IRE100%) | |
|------------------|------------------|----|-------------------|-----|---------------------|-----|
| | IRE | CV | IRE | CV | IRE | CV |
| S-Log3 | 3.5% | 95 | 41% | 420 | 61% | 598 |