

User guide

Profoto C1

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Congratulations on your new Profoto product!

Light is the essence of the image because without light, there is no image.

The Profoto product you hold in your hand is the result of over half a century of experience and expertise. It has been meticulously designed not just to deliver light – but to deliver great light. Light that's natural and beautiful. Light that will help you grow and develop as an image creator. Light that will open up a world of creative possibilities.

Download the Profoto Camera, sign up to MyProfoto and register your product to discover how image creators like you from all over the world use their Profoto products to create beautiful images. How they use light to captivate, enthrall and inspire.

Enjoy your Profoto product!

Conny Dufgran, founder

General safety instructions



Safety Precautions!

Do not operate the equipment before studying the instruction manual and these safety instructions. Make sure that Profoto Safety Instructions is always accompanied the equipment! Profoto products are intended for indoor conditions use. Do not place or use the equipment where it can be exposed to moisture, extreme electromagnetic fields, or in areas with flammable gases or dust! Do not expose the equipment to dripping or splashing. Do not expose the equipment to hasty temperature changes in humid conditions as this could lead to condensation water in the unit. Equipment must only be serviced, modified or repaired by authorized and competent service personnel.

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NOTICE **Note about RF!**

This equipment makes use of the radio spectrum and emits radio frequency energy. Make sure the device is operated according to local regulations. The frequency spectrum this device is using is shared with other users. Interference cannot be ruled out.



Final Disposal

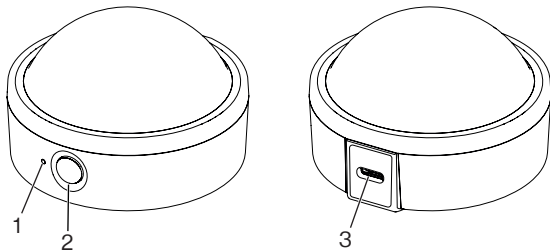
Equipment contains electrical and electronic components that could be harmful to the environment. Equipment may be returned to Profoto distributors free of charge for recycling according to WEEE. Follow local legal requirements for separate disposal of waste, for instance WEEE directive for electrical and electronic equipment on the European market, when product life has ended!

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Getting started

Profoto C1 is a smartphone studio light. Together with the Profoto Camera, it enables you to create amazing images anytime, anywhere. To get started, download the Profoto Camera where you usually find apps, and sign up to MyProfoto and register your product. Then you are ready to get creative, shape light and tell amazing stories through your images.



1. Status Indicator
2. Capture button
3. USB-C port

How to operate Profoto C1

1. To turn on your Profoto C1, press and hold the capture button [2] until the status indicator [1] lights up.
2. To connect Profoto C1 to the Profoto Camera, do the following:
 - a. Start the Profoto Camera on your smartphone.
 - b. Switch on Bluetooth on your smartphone.
 - c. In the Profoto Camera, find and connect to your Profoto C1 via Bluetooth. The Bluetooth name includes the last four digits of the serial number (S/N), which is printed on the Profoto C1.
3. To create images with your smartphone using the Profoto Camera:
 - a. Press the Capture button [2] for a perfectly exposed subject popping from the background.
 - b. Swipe in the Profoto Camera to fine-tune the light and shadows.
 - c. Follow the guidance in the Profoto Camera for additional features.
 - d. To turn on/off the continuous light, press the continuous light button [1].

4. Press the capture button [2] to turn on continuous light if the Profoto Camera and Profoto C1 are not connected.
5. To turn off your Profoto C1, press and hold the capture button for two seconds [2].¹
6. To charge the battery, connect a charger to the USB-C port [3].²
7. To update the Profoto C1 firmware, follow the instructions in the Profoto Camera. Make sure to connect a charger to the Profoto C1 USB-C port during update.

1 Profoto C1 automatically switches off after 30 minutes of inactivity if not connected to the Profoto Camera.

2 Profoto C1 can not be used while charging.

Status indicator

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| Blue | Connecting to the Profoto Camera via Bluetooth. Blinking: Bluetooth connection has ended. |
| White | Ready for operation. |
| Green | Battery is charged. |
| Yellow | Low battery/Battery is charging. |
| Red | Critically low battery. |

Profoto Camera

When you have downloaded the Profoto Camera and registered to MyProfoto, make sure to register your product. Profoto Camera gives you all in one access to:

- Camera
Create great images with your smartphone, anytime anywhere. Get creative, shape light and shadows, and tell amazing stories through your images.
- Tutorials
Watch tutorials to get inspiration and learn techniques to take your image creation to the next level.
- Easy updates
Always have the latest Profoto C1 firmware updates available at your fingertips.

Check smartphone operating system and model compatibility on the Profoto Camera product page.

Technical data

Flash light

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| Max output | 1600 lm |
| Max illuminance @ 1m | 800 lx |
| Color temperature range | Adjustable 3000K – 6500K (±200K) |
| Flash light CRI (Color rendering index) | 90 – 98 |
| Flash recycle time | 0,5 s at full power |

Continuous light

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|--|-------------------------------------|
| Max output | 280 lm |
| Max illuminance @ 1m | 140 lx |
| Color temperature range | Adjustable 3000K – 6500K (±200K) |
| Continuous light CRI (Color rendering index) | 90 – 98 |

Battery

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|---|---|
| Battery type | Li-Polymer |
| Battery capacity | 1500 mAh |
| Battery time | Typically more than 2000 full power flashes or more than 30 minutes max continuous light. |
| Battery charging time (fast charge 800mA) | 2 h |

Connectivity

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| Profoto Camera | Yes, via Bluetooth |
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Bluetooth Low Energy Technology

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|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| Frequency Band | 2.4 GHz (2404 to 2479.3 MHz) |
| No. of frequency channels | 40 |
| Radio Power Output | Maximum 8 dBm |

Miscellaneous

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| Firmware update | Via Profoto Camera |
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Measurements

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| Diameter | 74 mm |
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| Height | 49 mm |
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| Weight | 120 g |
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All technical data are to be considered as nominal and Profoto reserves the right make changes without further notice.

Warranty

The Warranty can be downloaded from the product page at www.profoto.com.

Regulatory information

World-wide Usage of Radio Spectrum

The Profoto Air system operates on the license-free 2.4GHz ISM band for SRD (Short Range Devices). This band may be used in most parts of the world. Regional restrictions may apply.

Note:

Refer to national regulations for the region where the Profoto C1 shall be operated and make sure that they are followed.

EU Declaration of Conformity

Hereby, Profoto AB declares that the radio equipment type Profoto C1 is in compliance with Directive 2014/53/EU.

The full text of the EU declaration of conformity is available at the following internet address:

<https://profoto.com/int/support/declaration-of-conformity>

Unites States and Canada

FCC Suppliers Declaration of Conformity (SDoC)

Profoto AB

Transmitter / Receiver

MODEL: Profoto C1

PRODUCT NO: PCA1455-0000

Contains FCC ID: QOQBGM12LMA

and IC: 5123A-BGM12LMA

Designed in Sweden. Manufactured in Thailand.

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F.C.C.and Industry Canada

Compliance Statement (Part 15.19) This device complies with Part 15 of FCC rules and RSS-210 of Industry Canada.

Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

1. this device may not cause harmful interference and,
2. this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

The term 'IC' before the certification/registration number only signifies that the Industry Canada technical specifications were met. Ce dispositif est conforme aux normes RSS-210 d'Industrie Canada. L'utilisation de ce dispositif est autorisée seulement aux conditions suivantes :

1. il ne doit pas produire de brouillage et
2. l'utilisateur du dispositif doit être prêt à accepter tout brouillage radioélectrique reçu, même si ce brouillage est susceptible de compromettre le fonctionnement du dispositif.

Les lettres 'IC' n'ont aucune autre signification ni aucun autre but

que d'identifier ce qui suit comme le numéro de certification/d'enregistrement d'Industrie Canada.

Warning (Part 15.21)

Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

FCC Radio Frequency Exposure

WARNING: The Profoto C1 device radiates radio frequency energy at a level below the United States FCC radio frequency exposure limits. Nevertheless, this device should be used in such a manner that the potential for human contact during normal operation is minimized. For hand held operation, this device has been tested and meets FCC RF exposure guidelines when the device is positioned a minimum of 1.0 cm from the body.

ICRF Exposure limits

The Profoto C1 device complies with the IC RSS-102 radiation exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment. For hand held operation, this device has been tested and meets ICRF exposure limits when the device is positioned a minimum of 1.0 cm from the body.

Limites d'exposition RF IC

Le dispositif Profoto C1 est conforme aux limites sur l'exposition aux rayonnements IC RSS-102 définies pour un environnement non contrôlé. En mode manuel, ce dispositif a été testé et respecte les limites d'exposition IC RF lorsque ce dernier est placé à au moins 1 cm du corps.

Japan

The module has been granted modular approval for sale and operation in Japan.

特定無線設備の種類

Classification of specified radio equipment:

Article 2, Clause 1, Item 19

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2.4 GHz Wide Band Low Power Data Communication

上記のとおり、電波法第38条の24第1項の規定に基づく認証を行ったものであることを証する

This is to certify that the above-mentioned certification by type has been granted in accordance with the provisions of Article 38-24, Paragraph 1 of the Radio Law.



R209-J00226

South Korea

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Taiwan

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