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Using existing accessories on the Leica M5

As was only to be expected, the greatest importance was attached, in designing the new Leica M5, to the possibility of using existing Leica accessories with it. Although free space in the camera body is restricted by the swing-in photocell of the exposure meter, all the lenses having the Leica interchangeable bayonet mount can be used, and also, by the use of a suitable bayonet adapter, those of older manufacture, i.e. with screw mount.

With but few exceptions, or restrictions, they also permit full use of selective through-the-lens light measurement.

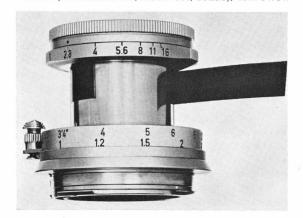
The **majority** of Leitz lenses can be employed **with-out restriction**, since they project only slightly into the Leica. In the exceptional cases the following points must be noted:

1. In the case of **collapsible** lenses this movement must be limited to the permissible amount by use of a spacing collar. **It is not necessary to return the lens for this purpose.** The collar can be made from the "embossing tape" supplied by Dymo International* in various widths and obtainable through stationers.

The tape is shaped around the lens mount leaving a gap of 1 mm. To ensure the correct length, a trial strip should first be made from paper.

Collaps	Width of strip required		
Elmar	f/3.5, 50 mm	Summitar f/2, 50 mr	n)
Elmar	f/2.8, 50 mm	Summicron f/2, 50 mr	n } 9.5 mm
Summa	ır f/2, 50 mm	Elmar f/4, 90 mr	n)
Hektor	f/2.5, 50 mm		12.7 mm

^{*} Germany: Dymo International GmbH, Postf. 3967, 6 Frankfort. Europe: Dymo Belgium N.V., P.O.B. 35, Industriepark. USA: Dymo Industries Inc., P.O.B. 1030, Berkeley, Calif. 94701.



Lenses which must be returned for adaptation:

(Leitz Service Department, or authorized representatives or service stations).

These include wide-angle lenses of 21 or 28 mm focal length the mounts of which project too far into the camera body: a recess in the bayonet then prevents the photocell from being swung in. The lenses certainly can be attached as they are, but it will not then be possible to make through-the-lens exposure measurements.

Super-Angulon f/4, 21 mm with screw mount requires only a **bayonet adapter** (Cat. No. 14097). In ordering, "for 21 mm Leica M 5" should be specified.

Super-Angulon f/3.4, 21 mm with bayonet mount (manufacturing numbers below 2 473 251).

Elmarit f/2.8, 28 mm with bayonet mount (manufacturing numbers below 2 314 921).

Lenses also whose removable viewfinder attachments abut on the body cap of the Leica M 5 must be sent in for adaptation. The lens bayonet and the finder attachment will be appropriately modified.

Summaron f/3.5, 35 mm with removable view-finder attachment.

Summaron f/2, 50 mm with close-up focusing range.

The Copying Gauge for quarto, octavo and postcard (BOOWU) with screw fitting and the first bayonet model can be attached to the Leica M 5 only by adaptation at a service station.

The Visoflex I and III and the Focusing Bellows I and II can be used with the Leica M 5. When so used, the selective light measuring facility when using a tripod is still available. The meter indication is then read off in the camera finder after swinging out the mirror.

The **Visoflex II** can **not** be used, nor can the Leica M 5 be attached to the various **interchange-able slides** or the **Reprovit.**

The following two points also are important to note:

- 1. The new body cap (Cat. No. 14056) has plastic tabs. The older (chrome) type could cause damage to the mechanism of the photocell movement. Only the body cap actually supplied for the M 5, therefore, should be used.
- 2. About two years ago the design of miniature cassettes was altered. Formerly they had only one driving key in the spool, at the bottom. With the Leica M 5 it is necessary to have a key at the top end of the spool. Films which have not this second key cannot be rewound.

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