

## Interval Timer Shooting

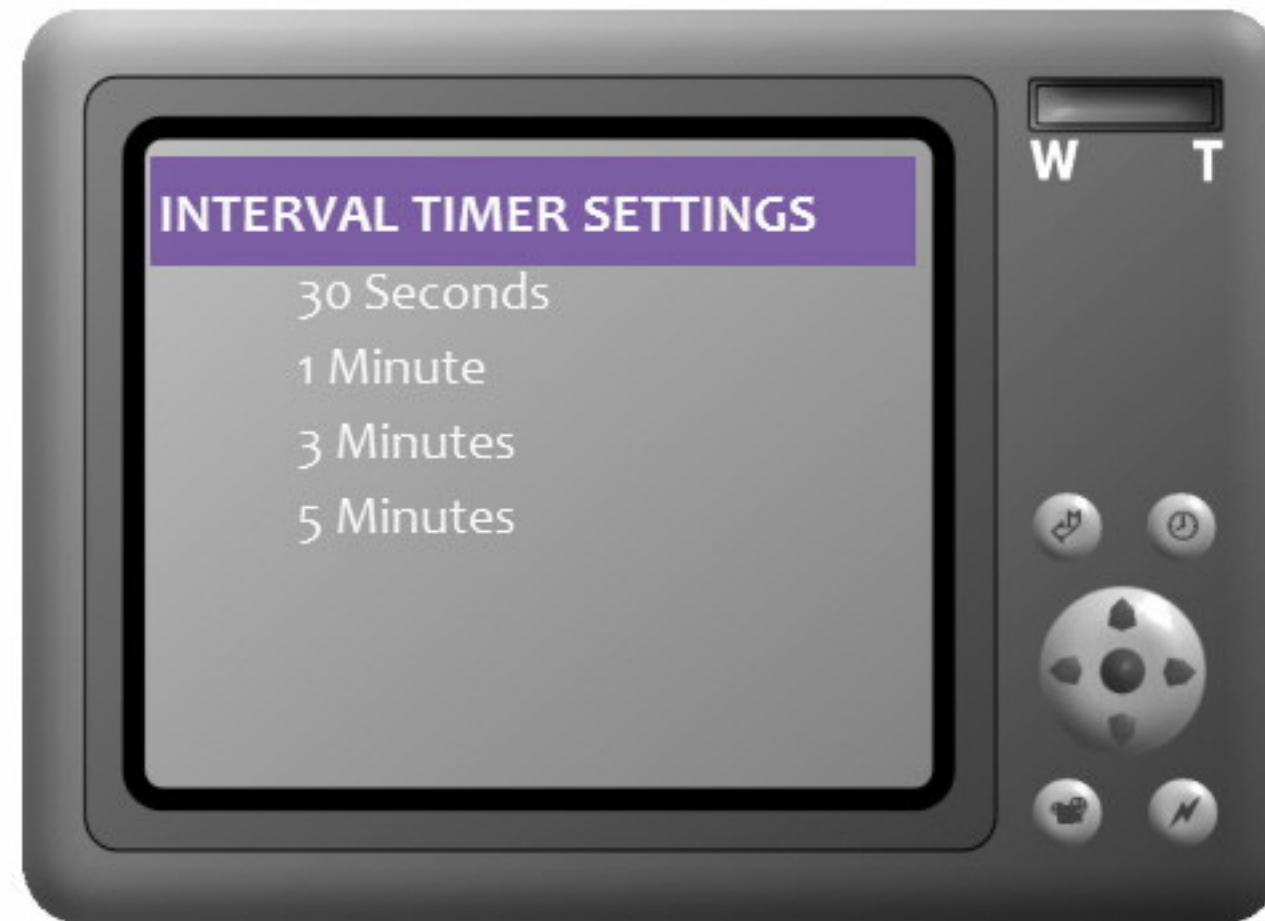
In this lesson, we'll be taking a look at  
**Interval Timer Shooting.**

*Estimated Completion Time: **6 minutes.***

## Interval Timer Shooting

Many cameras have **interval timer** shooting capabilities.

This allows you to set up the camera to take a photo every given time period - 10 seconds, 30 seconds, 1 minute, five minutes, whatever it may support.



*Not all cameras support interval timer shooting. You'll have to check your camera menus, or manual, to find out.*

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Interval timer photographs can be used for several purposes.

First, they can be used to generate **time lapse** movies. Many cameras will even automatically convert the captured photographs into a movie for you.



*If your camera cannot convert a series of photographs into a movie, have a search on the Internet for programs that can.*



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Below, we set up the camera on a tripod, and took a photo every 30 seconds - for around 4 hours. We then put the resulting photographs into a movie.





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One other use for interval timer photography is for photographing wild animals.

Wild animals are hard to get close to, to photograph. Using interval timer photography, you can set up a camera in an appropriate place, set the interval timer, and leave it for hours, if you wish - and take hundreds of shots.



*If you are taking photos of wild animals, try constructing a home made 'hide'. This hides the camera - or at least makes it less visible.*

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On this and the following pages, you'll see some examples of animals we've caught using a hide, and interval timer shooting.

Note that each time we set the camera up, we leave it for hours. Out of hundreds of shots - it's possible only to get an animal on just a few - and sometimes, none!



*Try leaving a source of food for the animals. Here we caught a couple of wallabies out for a feed. These are timid animals, and without timer interval photography, you'd never get anywhere near this close.*



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When setting up a camera this way, set the lens to as wide an angle as possible (i.e. - don't zoom in at all), as this will give you a wider focal length - which means a better chance of getting animals in focus.

We've also found using the flash effective in this sort of setup.



*Even a rat joins in!*



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*The relatively rare Long Nosed Bandicoot makes an appearance. There is simply no way you would get anywhere near close enough to photograph this animal in the wild without a hide, or a camera set up to take photos at certain intervals.*



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*We photographed a range of beautiful birds using this method.*



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*Here, a pair of galahs feed.*



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*This brush tailed possum looks as though he is on to us - but still hung around!*

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You've now completed this lesson.

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