Night Sky Cheat Sheet

Common Steps:

- 1. Camera in Manual Mode
- 2. Set Shutter to 20 seconds
- 3. Set Aperture to smallest number (eg: f/2.8, f4)
- 4. Set ISO to 3200 (1600 to reduce or 6400 to increase exposure)
- 5. Set white balance to Fluorescent (or between 3800-4800k)
- 6. Set to shoot in RAW
- 7. Disable high iso & long exposure noise reduction
- 8. Focus your lens and switch to manual and Image Stabalisation
- 9. Enable mirror lockup (not required on mirrorless)
- 10. Set a 5 10 second shutter timer

1 Turn the wheel until you get to M - manual mode



4 Press the ISO button. to change the ISO



7 Press MENU - ISO/ Noise Reduction -Noise Filter to turn off High ISO NR

9 Skip this step camera is mirrorless

Olympus

2 Use the front wheel to change the shutter speed



3 Use the rear wheel to change the aperture

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5 Press menu, ao to picture mode to change white balance



Noise Reduction to turn off Long Exposure NR

10 Press

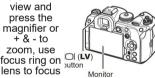
Menu -Drive Mode - Self Timer to set a timer



se reduction is performed at all shutter speeds

8 Use live view and press the magnifier or + & - to zoom, use











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500 Rule – Camera must be set to 3200 or 6400 ISO, aperture f/2.8 (or faster).

See: https://www.lightstalking.com/500-rule/

On **full frame** sensors calculate 500 divided by your focal length

EG: 500 / 17mm = 29.4 seconds

On **Canon** or 1.6x crop sensors calculate 500 divided by (focal length x1.6)

EG: 500 / (17mm x 1.6 eq 27.2) = 18.4 seconds

On **Nikon** or 1.5x crop sensors calculate 500 divided by (focal length x 1.5)

EG: 500 / (17 mm x 1.5 eq 25.5) = 19.6 seconds

On **Micro 4/3rd** sensors calculate 500 divided by (focal length x 2)

eg: $500 / (17mm \times 2 \text{ eq } 34) = 14 \text{ seconds}$

600 Rule - Same as above but use 600 instead of 500.



