



# THE ULTIMATE TIME-LAPSE PHOTOGRAPHY CHEAT SHEET

What are you  
shooting?



Shooting Mode

Interval

Shutter Speed

Shooting Time

Accessories

Day Time Street	Manual	1 sec	0.5 secs	5 mins	ND Filter
Night Time Street	Manual	12 secs	3 secs	1 hour	-
Sunset	Aperture Priority	5 secs	-	25 mins	-
Group of People (Movement)	Shutter Priority	1 sec	1/125	5 mins	ND Filter
Moving Water (Motion Control)	Manual	4 secs	1 sec	20 mins	-
Time-Lapse Panning (Left/Right)	Manual	3 secs	1 sec	15 mins	Slider
Drone Day	Shutter Priority	3 secs	1/60	15 mins	Drone, ND Filter
Drone Night	Shutter Priority	10 secs	1/80	50 mins	Drone
Drone Circle/360	Manual	2 secs	1/60	10 mins	Drone, ND Filter
Hyper Lapse Walking (Gimbal)	Shutter Priority	2 secs	1/500	10 mins	Gimbal
Hyper Lapse Transport (Car/Bike)	Shutter Priority	10 secs	3 secs	50 mins	Suction Cup, Hand-Made Tripod
Building Construction	Shutter Priority	6 hours	1/500	100 days <small>(shooting daytime at 7, 13 and 19)</small>	-
Milky Way	Manual	60 secs	25 secs	5 hours	-
Hyper Lapse Jumping	Manual	12 secs	1/125	1 hour	-
Time-Lapse 360	Shutter Priority	5 secs	3 secs	25 mins	Pan Motor
Holy Grail (Day to Night)	Aperture Priority	60 secs	10 secs	5 hours	ND Filter
Time-Lapse Dolly Zoom Hyperlapse	Manual	60 secs	1/500	5 hours	Post-Production Software
Linear Vertical Movement (Up/Down)	Manual	3 secs	1 sec	15 mins	Slider
Decaying Flowers/Opening Flowers	Manual	10 mins	1/1000	50 hours (>2 days)	Tripod, External Power, Light
Lightning	Manual	24 secs	15 secs	2 hours	-