These notes describe a practical workflow for digital photography for a Church Record, from taking photographs to storing them on a computer, incorporating them into the Record, preparing the printed and digital copies and delivering the Record.

The **essential IT requirements** are *either* a) a PC Windows computer (XP or later) with Word 2007 (or later) for document processing, *or* (b) an Apple Mac with the equivalent Word for Mac; *plus* c) a digital camera of 5 megapixels or more, with a good quality lens, d) a program for converting JPEG photographs to TIFF format and back again (e.g. IrfanView or Photoshop), e) A program for adjusting the file size of TIFF photographs (e.g. IrfanView or Photoshop or, for Macs, Lightroom), f) a home printer and g) a scanner (probably a function of the home printer) capable of saving scanned images in JPEG format onto the computer.

The photographer will not necessarily carry out all the steps – some stages may more easily be done by the person compiling the Record.

Photographers and compilers will vary in their expertise and experience. The workflow described in this Supplement should work well for all levels of ability. Things which everyone must do are described **essential**. There are other things which are **strongly advised**. **Experienced** photographers and compilers may use other methods provided they comply with the **essential** and take due account of the **strongly advised**.

STEP 1	Notes	Further Guidance
Take pictures on site	Essential: Must be taken in JPEG of 5 megapixels or more, or TIFF or RAW.	PS1 Taking Good Photographs in a Church; and
	Strongly advised: Ascertain the requirements from the Group Leader.	PS4 The Technology of a Digital Camera

STEPS 2 & 3	Notes
2. Create a project folder with sub-folders	The following sub-folders are recommended.
for the new Church on a computer.	One for each Section ("Section Folder") and one for each day of photography ("Date Folder").
3. Download pictures taken.	Initially, download each day's pictures into a DATE Folder. YY.MM.DD naming keeps the folders in date order.

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STEP 4	Notes
Essential:	
Make a back-up copy of the pictures as taken,	Recommended - an external hard drive, memory
independent of the computer.	stick or CD

STEP 5	Further guidance	
Essential:	PS5 Changing File Formats and	
Copies of JPEG pictures must be saved in TIFF format	File Sizes	
before any adjustment or processing.		
Essential:	Strongly advised:	
RAW pictures must be saved in TIFF format, but basic	The naming of the JPEGs file	
adjustments (e.g. to exposure and colour temperature) may	anticipates its being copied onto	
be made before saving.	memory sticks and CDs	
Strongly advised:	Essential:	
In each Section Folder create the sub-folders shown below.	"TIFFs as taken" are source files	
Save the TIFFs, including those saved from JPEG and	which must be kept for 5 years.	
RAW originals, into the "TIFFs as taken" folder.	Essential:	
	Make a back-up copy.	
Pictures library		
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STEP 6A	Notes	Further guidance
Section by Section, select the	Essential:	
pictures to be included in the	Must be agreed with the Group	
Record and copy or save them	Leader	
into "TIFFs 10-20MB".		
BUT:		
Essential:	Strongly advised:	PS4 The Technology
Any pictures greater than	reduce to about 15MB (long side –	of a Digital Camera
20MB should be resized to be	2700 pixels)	
within the 10-20MB range.		Suppl. 5 Changing File
Essential:	Note:	Formats and File
Saving the resized pictures	Use of LZW compression is permitted	Sizes
into "TIFFs 10-20MB" will	when saving a TIFF file. The file size	
avoid overwriting the original	will be reduced by about 20-30%,	
in "TIFFs as taken".	which is satisfactory.	
Adjust and crop each image if	The aim of cropping is to show the item to best effect without excessive	PS4 The Technology of a Digital Camera
necessary, liaising with the	waste space. Cropped photos might	Part C for notes on
Group Leader.	be less than 10MB, but 300ppi is essential.	cropping
	Strongly advised: Adjustments	
	should be minimal. The aim is to	
	produce a clear and honest	
	representation of the object.	
	Essential:	
	Always "save as" in TIFF format	
Essential:	Essential:	
The objective of Step 6A is to	Make a back-up copy	
have for each Section a set of	Strongly advised:	
TIFF pictures ready for use in	Keep in an "Unused photos" folder	
a separate folder from that	those not selected for use. They can	
containing the "TIFFs as	become useful for another view of an	
taken"	object or a missing detail.	

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31EP 00	Notes	Further guidance
During <b>6A</b> , make available any	These could be prints made on a	Essential:
working copies required by	home inkjet or laser printer on any	NB: Ensure any access
Recorders to help with	type of paper.	to photos on a website
research or transcription	Alternatively, the pictures may be put	is limited to the
	on a CD or memory stick, or uploaded	recording team, to
	to a website such as Flickr or	avoid breaching the
	DropBox and made accessible to the	Church's security for
	Recorders.	valuable objects.
It is better to save 1-3MB	Suggest:	PS5 Changing File
JPEG versions to use for this	Using the "JPEGs" folder temporarily	Formats and File
purpose	for this.	Sizes

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Go through the pictures with the Group Leader. Do any additional takes or retakes.

STEP 8	Notes	Further guidance
Essential:		
Group Leader, the Compiler and the	To agree where each	Transfer any unused
Photographer go through the final draft	picture will be and to ensure	pictures into the
text of the Record with the photographs	Phs and Ph is in the text.	"Unused photos" folder
Essential:	Essential:	
Agree whether or not any embedding of	In the Introduction the	
photographs in the text is to be tried.	Church external photograph	
	will be embedded.	
Strongly advised:	Strongly advised:	
Embedding needs great care. Clarity of	that the external photograph	Each, with its label, will
pictures for readers and researchers is	and the internal W-E and E-	occupy about half a
the highest priority.	W pictures are each	page at this size
	approximately 6" x 4".	
Essential:	Essential:	PS6 Supplying the
Change the file name of each TIFF 10-	The assigned number must	TIFF Photographs
20MB photograph according to the	include any leading zeros -	Historic England has
unique number assigned to the object in	thus Memorial number 9 is	said it welcomes the
the draft Record.	009.	addition of a simple
	If any sub-headings are	informative title <u>after</u>
Use "Rename". No full stops.	used to identify an object,	the number. Typically
	e.g. a) b) c), A B C, or i) ii)	this might be "700
	III), ensure that they are	maker's mark", "103
	consistent with those used	hallmarks", "314 detail"
	in the written Record.	or "226 exterior".

STEP 9	Notes	Further guidance
Essential:	Strongly advised:	PS4 The Technology of
From each Section's "TIFF	Delete any JPEG pictures already in	a Digital Camera
10-20MB" sub-folder save	the sub-folder for temporary use. Start	
copies of all the pictures, in	clean.	PS5 Changing File
JPEG format, into the	Save into the "JPEGs" sub-folder as	Formats and File Sizes
"JPEGs" sub-folder.	shown in STEP 5 above.	
	Strongly advised:	
	The reduced file size will normally be	
	in the range1-3MB. Long side 1,800	
	pixels which equates to 6" @ 300ppi.	

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STEP 10A	Notes
This applies when the	Recommended for most Groups.
photographs are to be	"Photo pages" as described in PS7 Part B
inserted into photo pages	
Essential:	The CRAR might wish to carry out a quality check of the images
Offer to make images	whilst inspecting the draft Record.
available for quality check by	Photographer and Group Leader to agree the best way to make
the CR Area Representative	images available to the CRAR e.g. a CD or a memory stick.

STEP 10B	Notes	
This applies when the	As a guide, standard sizes are 6" x 4" or 5.33" x 4" or 6" x 4.5".	
photographs are	Cropped images might be smaller. It is <b>essential</b> that detail of	
embedded into the text	heraldry, inscriptions, ornament and other images must be clearly	
pages	and easily legible. This is a reference archive.	
Essential:	Essential:	
Embed the images into the	The CRAR can decide whether or not the embedded presentation	
text and send the text, with	is of sufficient quality. It could, also, be rejected by NADFAS when	
the images embedded, to the	sent to NADFAS House.	
CR Area Representative for	Strongly advised:	
checking.	If in doubt, or trying for a first time, a Group should submit a	
	sample Section to the CRAR for an opinion.	

STEP 10C	Notes	Further guidance
This applies when	Essential:	PS9 The Church's copy
photographic prints on	Only the Church's printed copy of	of the Record
photographic paper are	the Record may be presented in this	
fixed to pages	way (at the option of the Group).	
	This copy can be photocopied and	
	scanned to produce colour laser	
	printed prints of the Record and to	
	"save" the Record, in PDF/A format,	
	for digital copies.	

STEP 11	Notes	Further guidance
Essential:		
Once the draft Record has been	Do this Section by Section	
approved, amend the "TIFF 10-20MB"		
pictures and their file numbering as		
necessary.		
Essential:	Strongly advised:	The safest way to
Then make the same changes to the	If there has been any change to	guarantee that the
"JPEGs", so that the pictures and their	a Section's TIFF 10-20MB	TIFF 10-20MB
numbering are identical to the TIFFs.	images or numbering, delete	changes are all
	that Section's JPEGs and repeat	made to the
	STEP 9 for that Section.	JPEGs.

The following steps are carried out collaboratively between Photographer, Group Leader and Compiler, depending on skills and equipment available to the Group.

STEP 12	Notes	Further guidance
Colour Laser Printed copies of the Record	Groups in the Isle of Man, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales must check with their CRAR which bodies require printed or archival CD or other digital form copies?	PS7 Compiling the complete
If pictures are not already embedded in the text, insert them into Word photo pages. Alternatively: some Groups prepare for a Church pages of photographic prints fastened with approved fasteners onto headed pages. They use photocopies and scans to produce the other copies. See <b>PS9 The Church's copy of</b>	<b>Essential:</b> Layout and size of images is flexible but Headers and Margins must follow Sample Pages and match the rest of the Record; the Object number must be printed, below or alongside, to identify the picture. Any sub-heading/title should be added (see <b>STEP 8</b> above) e.g. "103A hallmarks"; and each Section's photo pages must be a single Word	Church Record and delivery in printed and digital forms
Printing by Group- If the Group has its own good quality colour laser printing facility, the printing could be from the Word documents.*	Essential: Laser colour printing on one side of 100-130gm A4 plain white paper. *but as PDF or PDF/A is more stable saving in that format for printing is strongly advised.	
If using a printing company - Essential: Option 1 Print the entire Record in colour on the Group's printer. Take to the printing company for scanning for them to a) laser print the printed copies and b) record for you in PDF/A format for your production of memory sticks, CDs or other digital copies;	<b>Option 1 Essential:</b> that the Group's printer prints true colour and good resolution pictures, at 300dpi, to ensure satisfactory scanning. <b>Option 2</b> gives a better result.	<b>Essential:</b> The same paper must be used for all of a printed Record.
<b>Option 2</b> Save a copy of all the text files and all the photo page files in PDF or PDF/A format and put on a CD or memory stick ready for printing	<b>Option 2 Strongly advised:</b> Discuss with printing company suitable plain (non-photographic) white paper for printing images between 100gm and 130gm. Consider cost.	

After printing, if the pictures are not already embedded in the text, interleave the printed photo pages between the text pages, adjacent to the text description of the object. STEP 13 Notes **Further guidance** Preparing to record **Essential: PS6 Supplying the TIFF** the TIFF photographs photographs follow the specifications given in PS6 and onto memory sticks PS7 Part F; **PS7** Compiling the for Historic England, complete Church Record use the TIFF 10-20MB images; and delivery in printed the ChurchCare memory sticks are now the standard and digital forms Part F Library and any method of delivery in England, but archival **PS8 Software and Help** equivalent body in CDs will be acceptable for Records in for Burning CDs progress in 2015 and might be necessary Isle of Man, Northern for churches outside England (refer to Ireland, Scotland or CRAR) Wales requiring this

STEP14	Notes	Further guidance
V & A standard.	Essential:	
Recording the whole	The whole of the text and photographs of the	PS7 Compiling the
Record onto a Gold	Record in PDF/A format or the text in PDF/A	complete Church
Archival CD.	format and all the "JPEGs" section folders of	Record and
	photograph files. In either case on a single Gold	delivery in printed
	archival CD.	and digital forms
Heritage England &	Essential:	Part F
ChurchCare Library	The whole of the text and photographs of the	In the Isle of Man,
standard.	Record in PDF/A format <i>plus</i> all the "JPEGs"	Northern Ireland,
Recording the whole	section folders of photograph files plus all the	Scotland and Wales,
Record and TIFFs	TIFFs	check with the
onto a memory stick	Make a printed list of the memory stick contents.	CRAR which bodies
Essential:	Folders and prefix numbering are permitted to	require what form of
Should be burned onto	ensure logical order and easy use.	copy.
the CD or copied onto	Do not use full stops, use underscore_ where	
the memory stick in	necessary.	
logical order readily		
useable by readers and		
researchers		

FINALLY, pass all CDs and memory sticks and lists to the Group Leader for onward delivery. Keep the photograph source files for 5 years and all Record files and folders until successful download by Historic England and ChurchCare Library has been confirmed.