

# ROLLEI

## Rolleiflex 3.5 F

### 1965



Serial nr.: (3,5 F) **2803700**

Production Acronym: **K4F1**

Lens: Carl Zeiss Planar 1:3,5 f=75mm – Serial nr.: **4176599**

Viewfinder Lens: Heidosmat 1:2.8 / 75 – Serial nr.: **3081590**

#### **Characteristics and functions**

In 1928 the first Rolleiflex for sensitive Roll-film (Mod.120) was born, which had immediately a vast success both amateur and professional. For over thirty years it was the typical instrument of ceremony photographers.

Thanks to the absolute sturdiness, the great noiseless shooting, the flash synchronization on all shutter speeds and objectives with incredible definition, its fame grew rapidly and was the object of countless clones by other manufacturers.

The cockpit is removable, with a 45 ° mirror, a magnifying glass, parallax error correction and a direct view sight. Interchangeable frosted glass. The advancement handle for the film, simultaneously, activates the counter and loads the shutter. The device against double exposures can be deactivated. Exposure meter (optional) coupled with time and diaphragms.

Synchronization "M" and "X" and activation of the self-timer "V" can be selected using a single lever. There is the attack for the flexible release and the lock against accidental shoots. Filter attachment and lens hood by bayonet (type II). Connection for 3/8 "tripod. The focus selector is located on the left of the camera and has the indicator for the film type used, the distance scale and the automatic depth-of-field indicator. Also on the same side of the camera is the selector for correcting exposure with applied filters (exposure factor from 0 to 3 in increments of ½ value). Removable back hinged just below the cockpit, with opening command located on the bottom of the camera. Possible use of Type 120 / Type 220 Roll-film and 35mm films, using the "Rolleikin" adapter.

The Rolleiflex 3.5 F was produced from 1958 to 1979 in over 152,000 copies. There are three variants of the Rolleiflex 3.5 F indicated as:

- Model 1 (**Type K4D**) produced from 1958 to 1960 in about 20,000 units (Serial number: F. 2200000 / F. 2219999).
- Model 2 (**Type K4E**) produced during 1960 in approximately 11500 units (Serial number: F. 2230000 / F. 2241999).
- Model 3 (**Type K4F**) produced from 1960 to 1976 and from January to December 1979 in about 121000 units.

In turn, the "**Model 3 K4F**" is subdivided into the subsections that refer to the variants:

- Model 3 **K4F** produced from December 1960 to December 1964 (Serial number: 2250000 / 2799999).
- Model 3 **K4F1** produced from January 1965 to December 1976 (Serial number: 2800000 / 2857149).
- Model 3 **K4F2** produced from January 1979 to December 1979 (Serial number: 3555000 / 3559xxx?).

During the production of the "Model 3 K4F1" and "Model 3 K4F2" changes were introduced summarized as follows:

- Since November 1965, it is possible to use the "Type 220" films that allow to obtain 24 6x6cm images.
- From November 1965 No preparation for "Flat Glass" anymore.
- Since middle of 1971, the smooth film press plate has been introduced.
- From halfway 1971 the Plain Front-plate, with text "Rollei-Werke, Franke & Heidecke", appears (the so called **White Face**).

