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Introduction

To achieve the best video quality on your iPhone while connected to the Zoom PodTrak P4, you can optimize several settings:

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Camera Settings

1. Resolution and Frame Rate:

- 4K at 24/30/60 fps: Choose 4K resolution for the best quality. Frame rates depend on your preference, but 30 fps is a good balance between smoothness and storage usage. Use 60 fps for super-smooth video, but be aware it uses more storage.

- Settings: Go to Settings > Camera > Record Video and select your desired resolution and frame rate.

2. HDR Video:

- Enable: HDR enhances dynamic range, making the video look more vibrant and detailed.

- Settings: Settings > Camera > Record Video > HDR Video.

3. Lens Selection:

- Wide Lens: The wide lens is versatile for most interview setups. Use the ultra-wide lens for more dramatic or wider shots.

- Settings: In the Camera app, you can switch between lenses.

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Audio Settings

4. External Microphone:

- Ensure Connection: Make sure the Zoom PodTrak P4 is properly connected to your iPhone, usually via an adapter.
- Audio Source: The iPhone should automatically use the external microphone. Test to ensure it's recording from the Zoom PodTrak P4 and not the internal mic.

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Lighting and Stabilization

5. Lighting:

- Ring Light: Use the ring light to ensure the subject is well-lit.
- Settings: Adjust the intensity and color temperature of the ring light for natural-looking lighting.

6. Stabilization:

- Tripod: Ensure the iPhone is securely mounted on the tripod.
- Settings: The iPhone's built-in stabilization should suffice, but avoid handheld shooting if possible.

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General Settings

7. Airplane Mode:

- Enable: Turn on Airplane Mode to avoid interruptions from calls or notifications.
- Settings: Swipe down from the top-right corner to access the Control Center, then tap the airplane icon.

8. Storage:

- Sufficient Space: Ensure you have ample storage available for your video recording.
- Settings: Go to Settings > General > iPhone Storage to check available space.

9. Battery:

- Full Charge or External Power: Ensure your iPhone is fully charged or connected to an external power source.

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Additional Tips

- Test Beforehand: Do a test recording to check video and audio quality.
- Framing: Make sure the shot is well-framed, with the subject centered and in focus.
- Focus and Exposure Lock: Tap and hold on the subject in the Camera app to lock focus and exposure. Adjust exposure by sliding up or down.

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Note

Note: For older iPhone models, you may need an adapter to connect external devices like the Zoom PodTrak P4. Check your specific model's compatibility and required accessories.