

Olympus DS-5000 Battery Issues?

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Do you own an Olympus DS-5000 digital Dictaphone? Are you starting to experience some issues with its battery, for example it no longer holds charge for a full day or discharges quickly?

If you are having issues with your Olympus DS-5000 battery then it is no surprise. These recorders were discontinued some four years ago yet are still widely used because they are strong and robust. The recorder itself may be in fantastic working condition but the rechargeable battery inside the recorder, with its constant charge and discharge, over time will degrade.

The simple way to fix battery issues is to just replace the rechargeable battery in the unit. The battery part number is [Olympus BR-403](#) and they can be purchased from our store and cost \$45 incl. GST with free delivery.

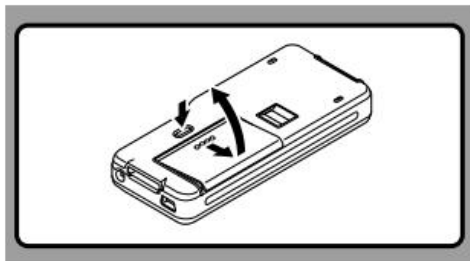
In the interim, while you're waiting for delivery, you can use standard alkaline AAA batteries in your Olympus DS-5000 digital dictaphone. If you open the battery compartment and remove the rechargeable BR-403 battery you will see indicated in the compartment how to insert standard 2x AAA alkaline batteries. This is detailed in the Olympus the DS-5000 manual, see below:

Installing Batteries

This recorder can be used with either Ni-MH Rechargeable Battery Pack or AAA Alkaline Batteries.

Ni-MH Rechargeable Battery Pack (included)

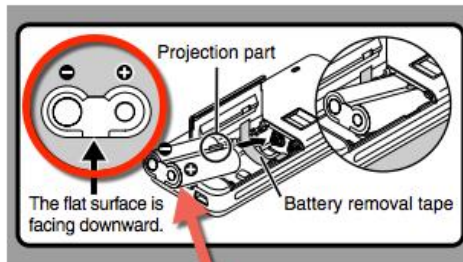
- 1 Lightly press down on the battery cover release button, then open the battery cover, as shown in the illustration below.



- 2 Insert the Ni-MH Rechargeable Battery Pack, observing the correct polarity as shown in the illustration below, then close the battery cover.

When using the Ni-MH Rechargeable Battery Pack, insert it so that the flat surface with the polarities is facing down as shown in the illustration below. **Exercise caution, as the directions inscribed inside the battery compartment apply to AAA batteries only.**

In addition, when inserting the battery pack, insert them so that the tape is under the battery pack, as shown in the illustration. The battery pack can then be removed easily by pulling up the tape. When pulling on the tape the battery pack may suddenly pop out, so be sure to press down lightly the battery pack with your finger while pulling.



The battery pack needs to be fully charged in the recorder before initial use.

