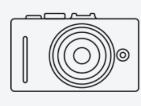
# Smooth Seascapes A1 CC

## Creating Calm

Know **why** you are using the effect - what you want to achieve.



Fujifilm X-H1 XF16-55mmF2.8 R LM WR





*∮* 240

ISO 100



# Creating Drama

### Cloud movement



NB. too long and the sun will become a blur!



## Smoothing movement

Device make: FUJIFILM

Device model: X-H1 Colour space: RGB

Colour profile: sRGB IEC61966-2.1

Focal length: 17.6 mm

Alpha channel: No Red-eye: No Metering mode: Pattern

F number: f/10 Exposure program: Manual Exposure time: 08:00

NB. can create interesting artefacts - such as the channels behind the pier legs.





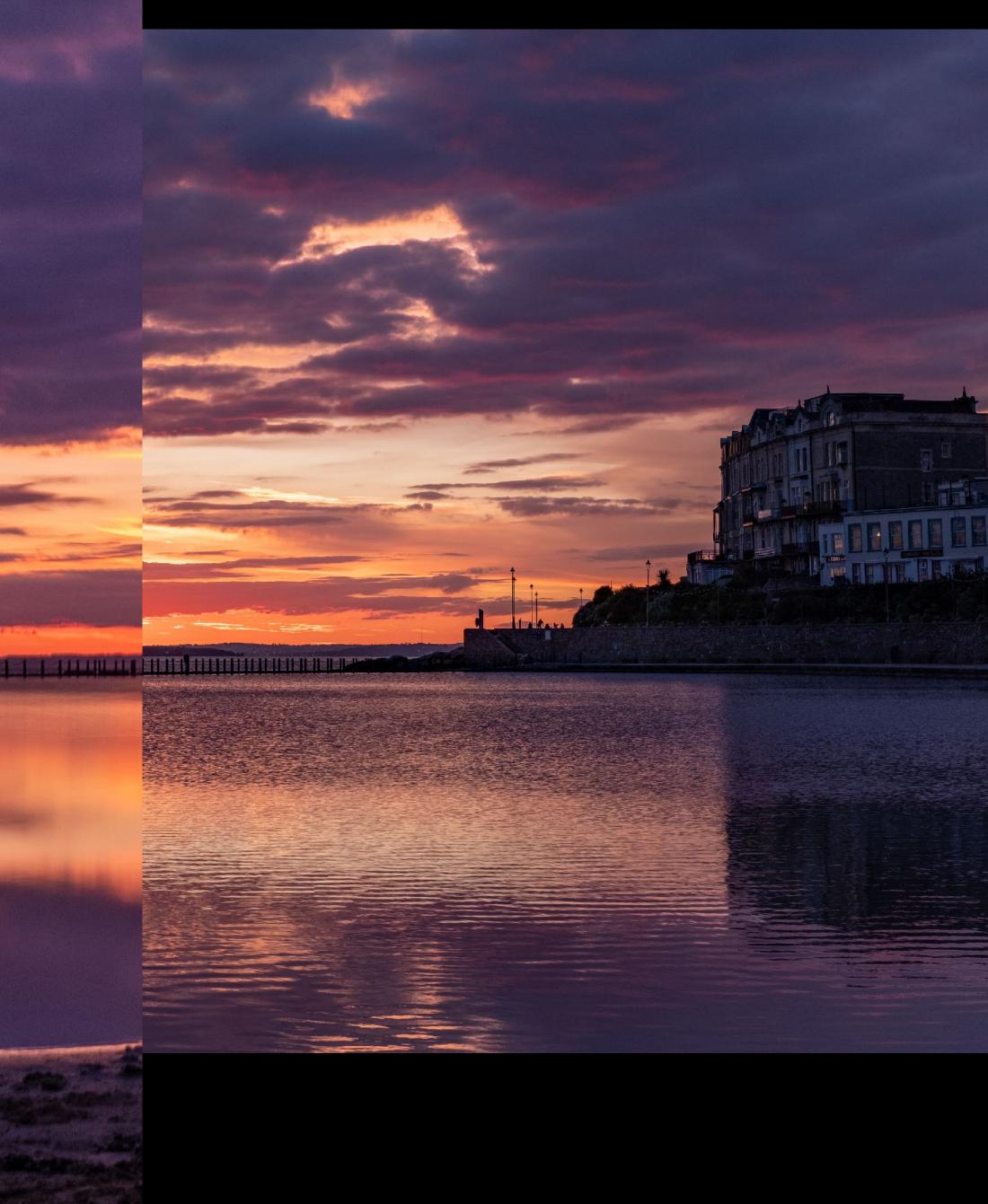
**Exposure takes priority** 







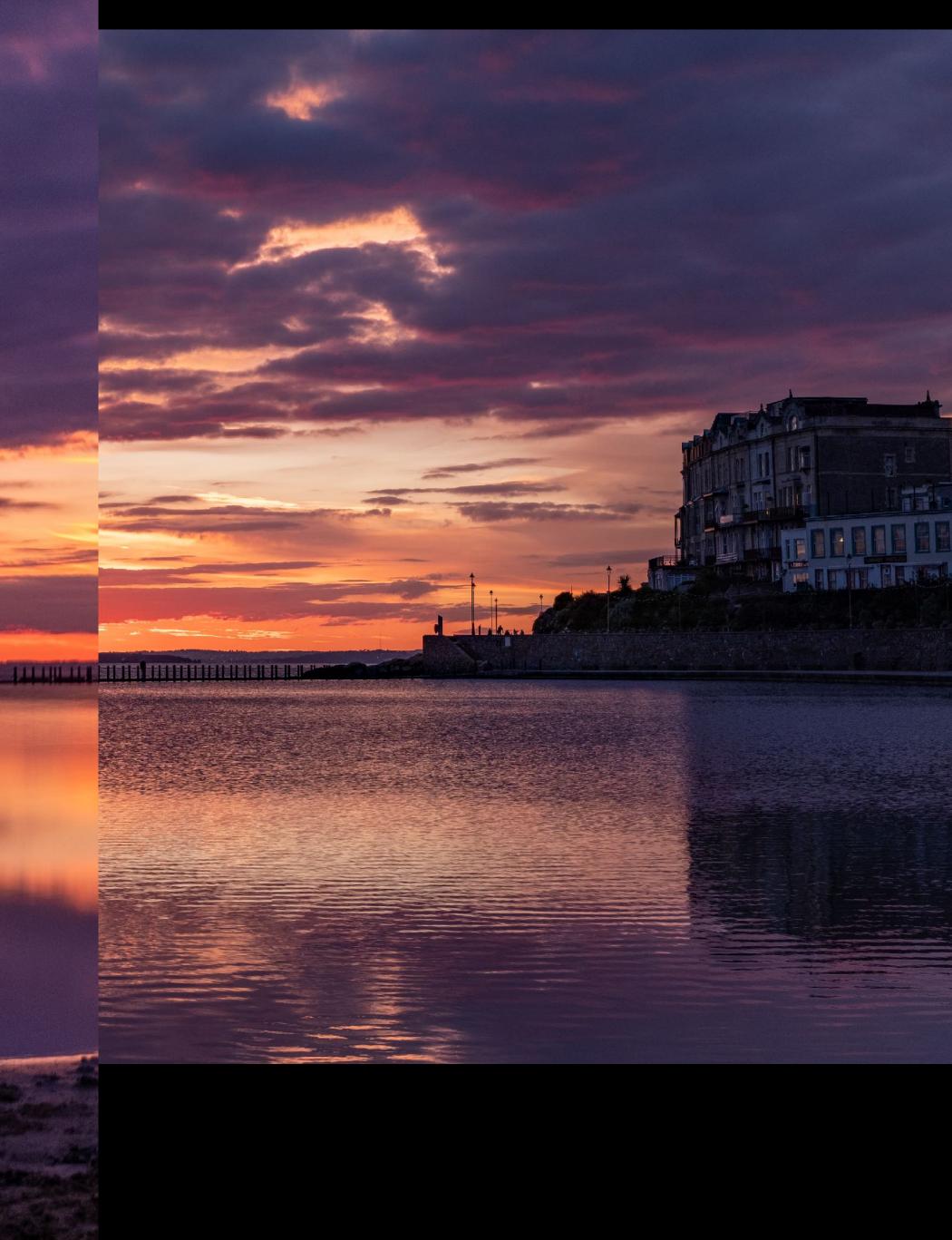




## Long Exposures

#### **Exposure takes priority**

- Set exposure time (In Manual or Shutter Priority mode)
  - Tripod
  - use remote or self timer
- If in Manual mode
  - Set aperture for depth of field (Larger f number for greater DoF)
  - Adjust ISO for correct image exposure



# Check your image for unwanted movement.

Device make: FUJIFILM Device model: X-H1 Colour space: RGB

Colour profile: sRGB IEC61966-2.1

Focal length: 16 mm
Alpha channel: No
Red-eye: No
Metering mode: Pattern
F number: f/16
Exposure program: Manual
Exposure time: 1/4



# Smoothing movement even more

#### Add a Neutral Density filter

- Might need to set focus without filter and then switch camera to manual focus and not touch the focus ring
- Add filter ( decrease amount of light hitting sensor - allowing for a longer exposure time and more shooting of movement)
- Set exposure time
- Use Liveview (SLRs) to see the effect on exposure of the changes you are making.
- If in Manual mode
  - Set aperture for depth of field
  - Adjust ISO for correct image exposure



## Neutral density filters

More expensive ones are glass and give little or no colour tint (cast) to the images.

#### Cheap ones turn images purple

They can come as kits with a special holder - square or rectangular filters. Or as screw-in filters that fit on the end of your lens.

NB: with the holder system you can't use a lens hood - this can lead to lens flare if the sun or a bright light source shines directly onto the lens/filter combination - a hat or umbrella can help here!





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- Z-Pro filter holder ('L' size)
- Everything you need to get started, including set of 4 adapter rings in 67,72,77 & 82mm diameters
- Z-Pro filter sizes: ND=100x100mm, GND=100x150mm

## Neutral density filters

**ND filters** are created in **stops**. A **stop** in photography is either halving or doubling the amount of light e.g. making the picture 1 **stop** darker or 1 **stop** lighter. In the case of **ND filters**, you are always halving or reducing the amount of light. So a 1 **stop ND filter** will be stopping the light by 50% or half.

#### **Typical values:**

ND 0.6 - 2 stops 1/4 of light gets through

ND 3.0 - 10 stops of light 1/1024 of light gets through

Effect on an original shutter speed of 1s:

ND 0.6 - 2 stops- new exposure is 4s

ND 3.0 - 10 stops of light new exposure is 16 minutes

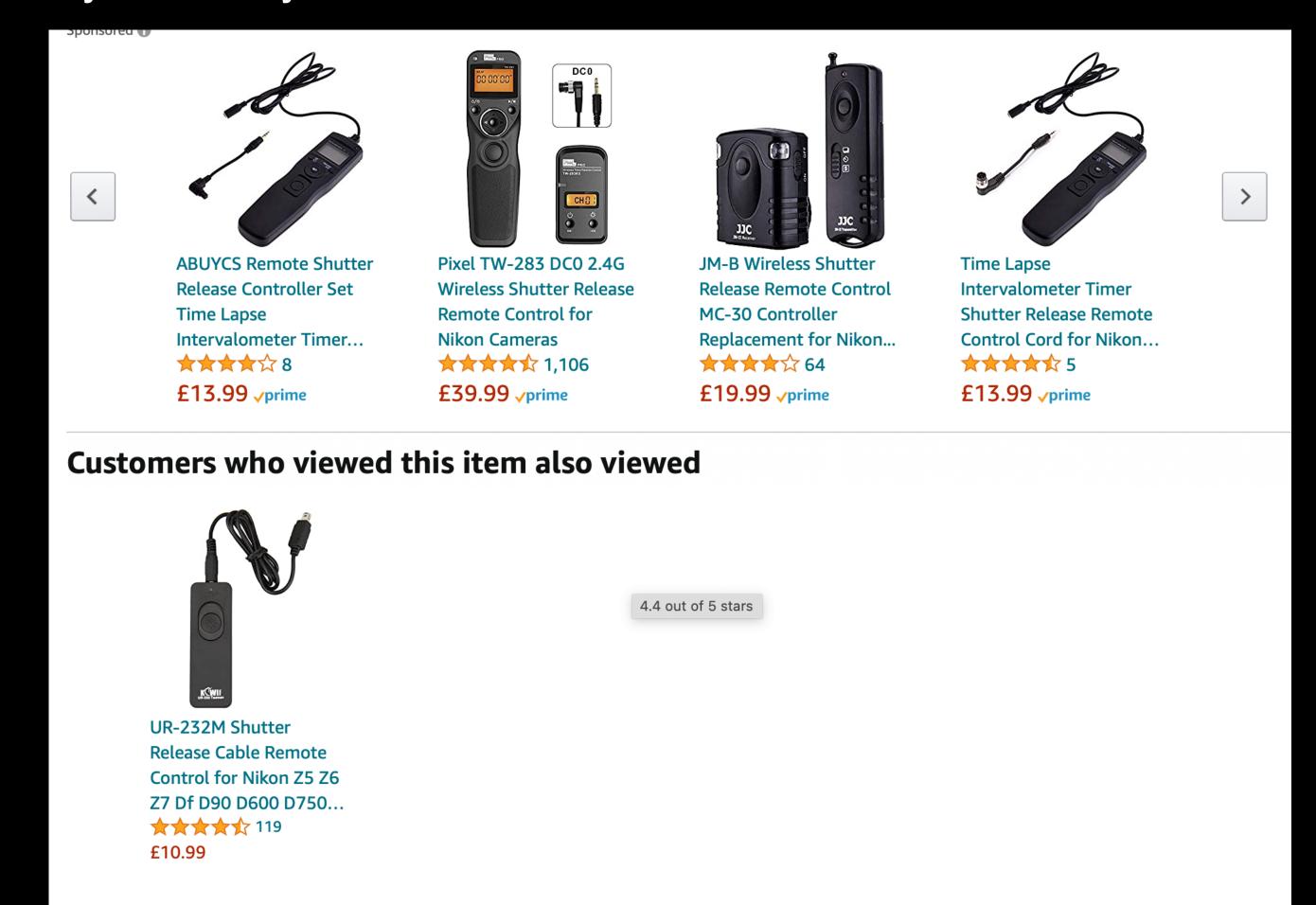
No need to remember this the digital camera's exposure system calculates this for you!



## Long exposure times

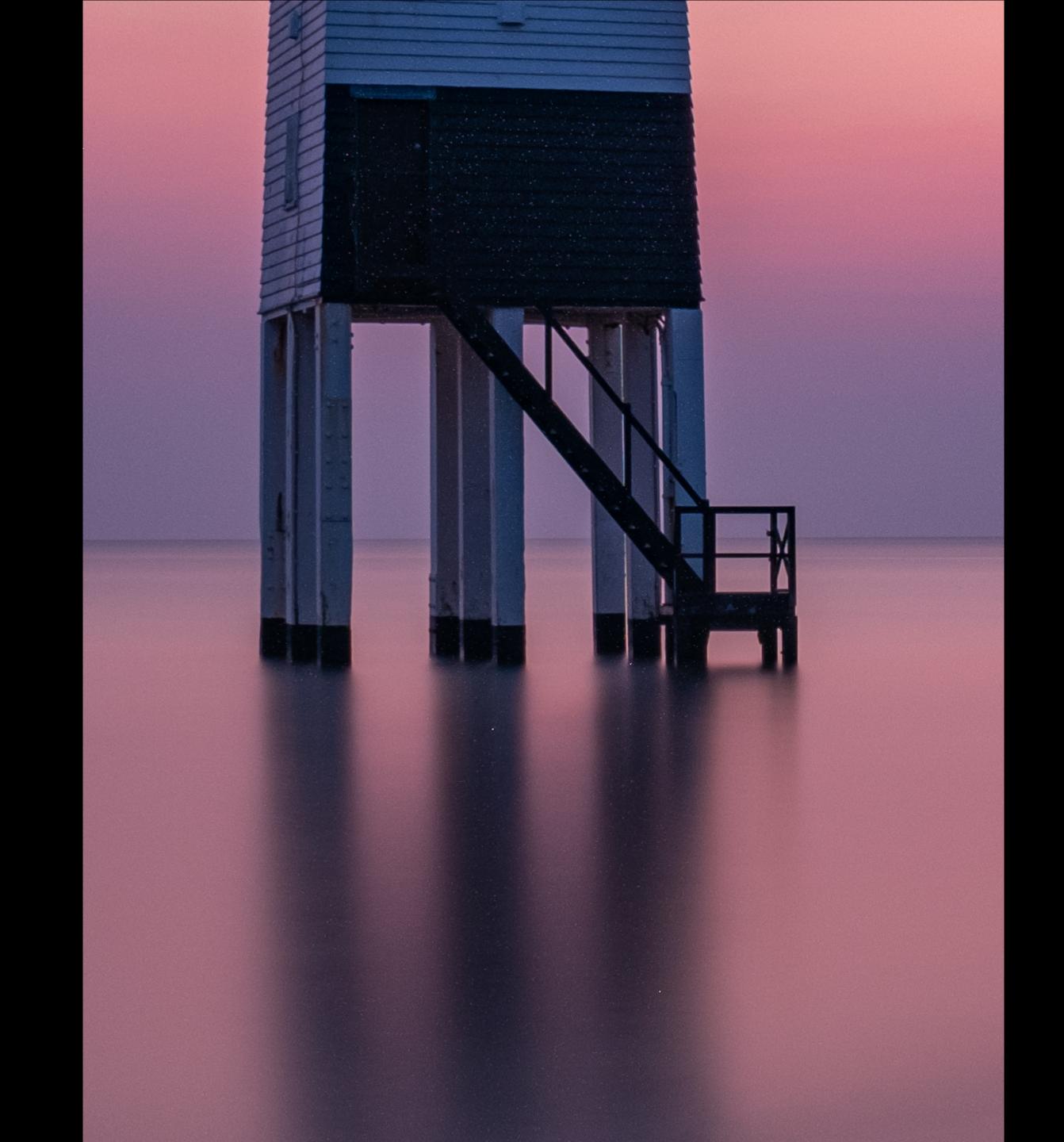
Exposure times of more than 30s can be difficult on some cameras such as Canon SLRs. To achieve longer exposure times we use the "Bulb" B setting on the exposure dial with an external shutter release.

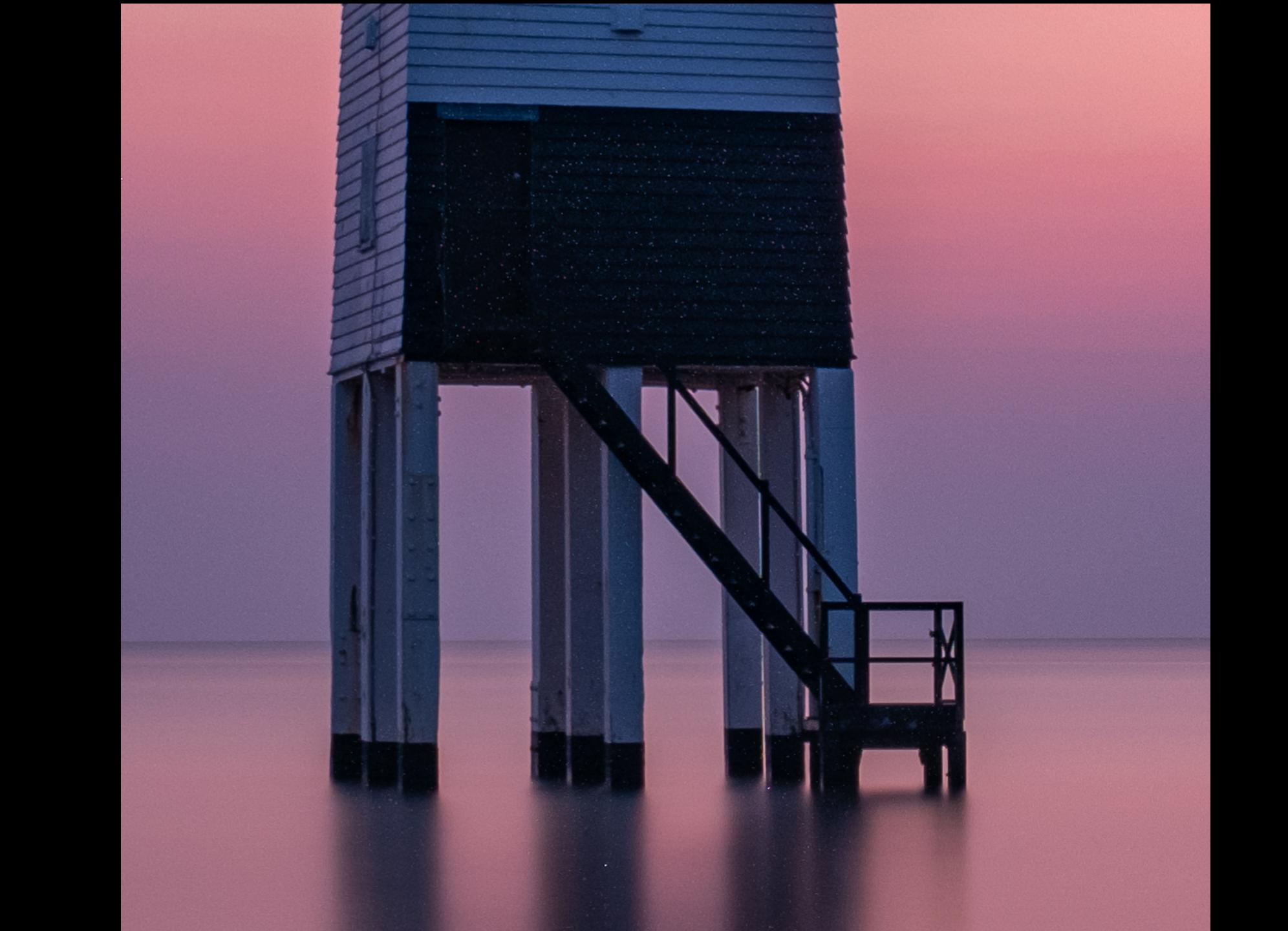
The external shutter release can be simply a manual switch you hold open for the required exposure time - or an electric timer switch can be used. Make sure you buy the one for your camera make



## Long exposure Issues

- Colour casts from cheaper filters
  - shoot in RAW and adjust white balance in Lightroom/Faststone
- Noise the electronics of the sensor can generate speckles
- Use one of the de-noise filters in Lightroom/Faststone (masking)
- Use the camera's long exposure noise reduction facility - NB this takes as long as the original exposure took
- Hot Pixels like noise only these are usually pixels that show up as white in the same place on the sensor in a long exposure
  - edit out in Lightroom/Faststone
  - Map hot pixels in your camera (if your camera has this facility)











F number: f/2.8 Exposure program: Aperture priority
Exposure time: 1/280

Device make: FUJIFILM Device model: X-H1 Colour space: RGB

Colour profile: sRGB IEC61966-2.1 Focal length: 17.6 mm

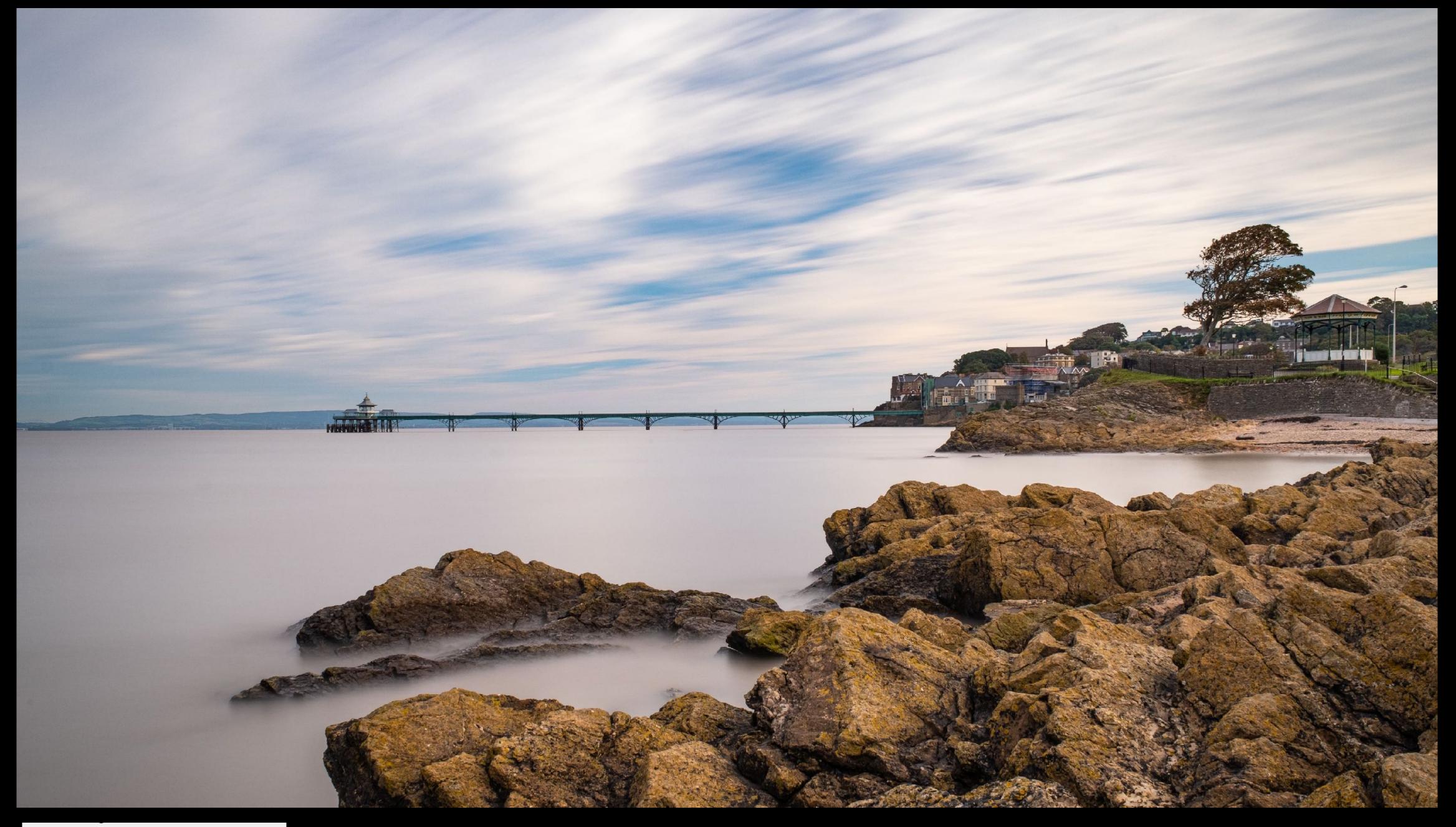
Alpha channel: No
Red-eye: No
Metering mode: Pattern
F number: f/2.8
Exposure program: Manual
Exposure time: 00:40







X ray film - ISO 100 F64 40 seconds



F number: f/16 Exposure program: Manual Exposure time: 01:00

### Black Nore Lighthouse Portishead



F number: f/22 Exposure program: Manual Exposure time: 1/15





### Stop Press!

## Phone apps will do this now E.g. "Spectre" for iphone



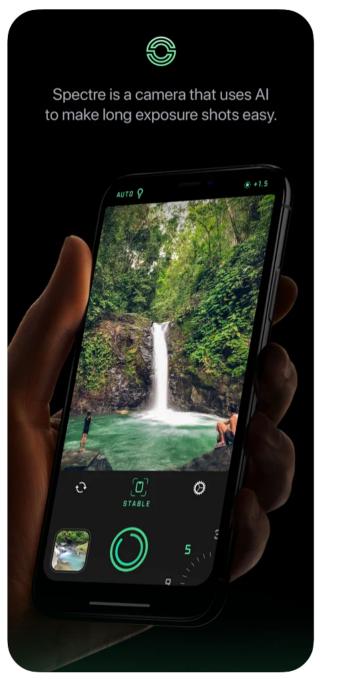
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