

Windows Mobile 6.1 to 6.5 Comparison

Feature	Windows Mobile 6.1		Windows Mobile 6.5		Description
	Standard	Pro	Standard	Pro	

Ease of Use

Today Screen			New!	New!	Touch access for notifications, including missed calls, voicemails and new messages. Users may choose to install Internet Explorer plug-ins to gain quick access to their favorite web sites, as well as customize themes and background to make the device their own.
Start Screen				New!	Touch friendly access to key applications and capabilities of the phone. Users may re-arrange application icons and customize the experience with themes and backgrounds.
Lock Screen				New!	Provides access to key information at a glance, including calendar reminders, missed calls, new messages, and the current date/time. Users may make a phone call and have access to critical functions while the phone is locked.
Designer Themes			New!	New!	Custom visual themes designed by world-class designers. Several included as theme options on the device and others available via Windows Marketplace.
National Geographic Photos			New!	New!	Wallpaper gallery licensed from National Geographic and available for download on Windows Marketplace.
Getting Started Center	√	√	√	√	Help for setting up a new phone—from e-mail to a Bluetooth headset to customized themes. Designed to get users up and running quickly.

Touch Enhancements

Gesture Support				New!	Recognition of standard gestures including tap, tap and hold, pan and flick enable users to quickly navigate through contacts, web pages, and other screens.
Touch Support		√		√	Improved finger and stylus touch support for easy navigation.

Mobile Internet

Internet Explorer Mobile	√	√	New!	New!	Experience the web just like on your Windows PC with the new Internet Explorer Mobile 6
Adobe Flash Lite ⁱ			New!	New!	Access Flash-based web content just like on your Windows PC.

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Scroll, Pan				New!	Navigation makes viewing web pages easier than ever before.
Zoom	√	√	√	√	Zoom in on Web pages for easier reading.
Search in Address Bar			New!	New!	Search directly from the address bar.
Auto-complete suggestions			New!	New!	Auto complete URLs based on suggestive words and sites.
Mobile / Desktop View			New!	New!	Users can switch between full Web viewing and "mobile enhanced" Web pages.
Widgets & Developer Framework			New!	New!	Developer framework for creating widgets and Rich Internet Applications (RIAs).
Page Overview	√	√	√	√	Allows for viewing the entire page on a phone screen.
Home Page Personalization	√	√	√	√	Personalize the Start page with different themes, colors, access to favorite applications and Web sites.

Applicationsⁱⁱ

GAMES					
Casual Games					Great gaming experiences right out of the box.
<i>Games by Astraware</i>			New!	New!	Sudoku, with six levels of difficulty Selection of 8 Board Games
<i>Games by Magmic</i>			New!	New!	Texas Hold 'em Poker Kaglom!, a multiplayer 3D game
Rich Games					Optimized for mobile devices, easy to play – and available out of the box.
<i>Games by Electronic Arts</i>			New!	New!	SimCity Metropolis Spore Trial
WIDGETS					
MSN® Weather MSN Money			New!	New!	Rich applications that provide real-time data from the Internet, including weather and financial information.
SOCIAL NETWORKING					
Facebook Mobile			New!	New!	Users access their Facebook accounts from their Windows phones. Allows for uploading and viewing photos, videos, and messages.
MySpace Mobile			New!	New!	Users access their MySpace information directly from their Windows phone.
ENTERTAINMENT					
Netflix Mobile			New!	New!	Rich Netflix functionality, including movie preview, Netflix library search, modify or change DVD queue
Windows Media Player Mobile	√	√	√	√	Users can listen to their music library, play videos or

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					view their photos on their Windows phone. Flick on album art to go to the next or previous song.
NEWS					
NewsBreak Lite by Illium			New!	New!	Rich RSS feed reader that supports up to 5 feeds.
BUSINESS PRODUCTIVITY					
Microsoft Office Mobile	√	√	√	√	Compose, edit, and view Office documents with Excel Mobile and Word Mobile, and view PowerPoint Mobile presentations. Compatible with Microsoft Office 2007 on the Windows PC.

Services

Microsoft My Phone			New!	New!	Automatically backup your personal information from the phone to the web and access your information (text messages, photos, contacts and more) online. If your phone is lost, ring it, lock it or wipe it from via the web site. Share photos or videos online, as well as easily transfer between your phone and pc and vice versa.
Windows Marketplace for Mobile ⁱⁱⁱ			New!	New!	Discover the applications to make your phone truly yours, then buy, download and install with a worry-free shopping process.
Windows Live for Windows Mobile	√	√	√	√	Use familiar Windows Live applications - Hotmail, Messenger and Spaces – on your phone and sync with your PC.
Search	√	√	New!	New!	New Bing Mobile decision engine provides users with access to web for travel, shopping, health tips, local search, maps and more.

Mobile Messaging

Conversation View ^{iv}			New!	New!	Single view of e-mails in one simple-to-read thread instead of multiple individual e-mails, even if email messages are located in different folders in the mailbox.
Unified Messaging ⁴			New!	New!	Easily listen to your Exchange delivered voicemails and read the transcribed text.
Nickname Cache ⁴			New!	New!	Quickly address new e-mails with access to a suggestion list of previously used e-mail addresses.
Reply State ⁴			New!	New!	Identify which e-mails have been forwarded and replied to.
Free/Busy Lookup			New!	New!	View calendar "free/busy" status for contacts.
SMS Sync			New!	New!	Send/Receive SMS messages from Outlook and

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					Outlook Web Access.
Threaded Text Messaging	√	√	√	√	Text messages threaded together into a single conversation, allowing user to view the entire conversation as they type.
Exchange Server Auto-discovery	√	√	√	√	E-Mail Setup Wizard takes user directly to the Exchange ActiveSync e-mail set-up.
Custom Domain E-mail Setup	√	√	√	√	E-Mail Setup Wizard provides step-by-step setup of custom domains in Outlook Mobile.
E-Mail Setup Wizard	√	√	√	√	Set-up e-mail in Outlook E-Mail for other service providers, including Gmail, AOL, and Yahoo!
Auto-Complete for Recipients	√	√	√	√	Allows user to find an address by simply typing a few letters of the name, and viewing the nearest matches in a drop-down menu.
Direct Push E-Mail for Exchange ^v	√	√	√	√	See messages as soon as they arrive from the e-mail server without performing a manual or scheduled Send/Receive.
Direct Push E-Mail for Windows Live Hotmail ⁵	√	√	√	√	View Windows Live Hotmail messages as soon as they arrive from the e-mail server without performing a manual or scheduled Send/Receive.
Exchange Server e-mail search ^{vi}	√	√	√	√	Search e-mail by specific words, subject matter, and more.
HTML E-Mail Support	√	√	√	√	Mail shows up on Windows phone just like it does on a PC, with all the colors, photos, and formatting. Receive, view, write, and send e-mail in HTML format (for Exchange 2007, Hotmail, and POP/IMAP accounts like Gmail, AOL, and Yahoo!).
Fetch Mail ⁶	√	√	√	√	Download an entire message, including inline images and attachments—without having to do a full Send/Receive.
Multi-Select Functionality	√	√	√	√	Select a block of messages for bulk actions, such as deleting or moving the messages.
Fetch Mail for POP3/IMAP	√	√	√	√	Allows users with a POP3/IMAP e-mail account (like Gmail, AOL, or Yahoo!) to use Fetch to download an entire large e-mail in with no additional intervention required.
SharePoint and UNC File Share Access ⁶	√	√	√	√	Open links to documents that are stored on servers or linked to in an e-mail
Outlook Mobile E-Mail Message Flags ⁶	√	√	√	√	Assign, mark complete, and clear flags both from the e-mail inbox list and when viewing a message.
Smart filter technology in Messaging	√	√	√	√	Search for a specific message by entering a name or subject. Smart filter automatically sorts the list of messages based on search criteria.

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Hardware Shortcuts	√	√	√	√	Perform tasks such as moving a message to a folder or flagging a message, on both 12-key and QWERTY (traditional Western keyboard) Windows phones.
Information Rights Management ⁶	√	√	√	√	Receive, reply to, forward, and compose Information Rights Management (IRM) protected mail, such as confidential e-mails, read-only documents, and documents with an expiration date

Calendar, Contacts, Tasks

Hyperlinked Phone Number =	√	√	√	New!	Click on phone numbers in meeting requests to dial the number directly.
Meeting Management ⁶	√	√	√	√	Send new meeting requests, respond to meeting invitations by proposing a new meeting time, forward meetings to additional attendees and see who has accepted, declined or not yet responded to a meeting invitation.
Out-of-Office Assistant ⁶	√	√	√	√	Set an Out-of-Office (OOF) status and message.
Schedule Conflict Notification	√	√	√	√	View conflicting appointments and appointments that are adjacent to the meeting request.
Call History by Contact	√	√	√	√	View past call history, including calls made, received, and missed.
Contact Groups	√	√	√	√	Create phone or email contact groups to distribute email or text messages to a group.
Smart Search	√	√	√	√	Type a name or phone number to sort through contacts to find the right one.
Synchronize Tasks	√	√	√	√	Allows users to prioritize and organize tasks.

Tools

Internet Sharing	√	√	√	√	If connected to the Web with a Windows phone, but have no Web connection with a laptop or PC, a user's PC can share the phone's Internet connection.
Remote Desktop	√ ²	√ ²	√	√	Gain secure, remote access to Windows PCs and Microsoft server products.
Set Multiple Alarms	√	√	√	√	Set a specific alarm to wake up, reminders for meetings or appointments, or alerts for task deadlines.
Voice Command	√	√	√	√	Use voice-activated commands to launch programs, make calls, listen to next appointments, and more.
Voice Notes	√	√	√	√	Record a brief audio clip to capture an idea or send the note as a message attachment.

Bluetooth

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Phone Book Access	√	√	√	√	Enables Bluetooth-enabled car kits to access phone book information.
Headset Auto-Pairing	√	√	√	√	Automatically pairs (connects) Bluetooth headphones or a headset to a Windows phone without requiring a pairing code.
Advanced Audio Distribution Profile (A2DP)	√	√	√	√	Listen to stereo through Bluetooth headphones.

Platform Management

Microsoft System Center Mobile Device Manager	√	√	√	√	Allows IT professionals to set and control policies for Windows phones in a single, familiar environment
Password enforcement	√	√	√	√	Enforces passwords with specific criteria

Desktop Connectivity

Active Sync for Windows XP	√	√	√	√	Set-up and automatically sync the information on your Windows PC with your phone
Windows Mobile Device Center for Windows Vista and Windows 7	√	√	√	√	Set-up and automatically sync the information on your Windows PC with your phone

Core Kernel

Up to 32 simultaneous processes	√	√	√	√	Maximum number of processes available
32MB of virtual memory space per process	√	√	√	√	Maximum virtual memory space available per process

ⁱ On device experience will vary. Flash Lite is an optional component.

ⁱⁱ On device experience availability will vary. Applications available via Windows Marketplace for Mobile.

ⁱⁱⁱ Windows Marketplace is available via download for users of Windows Mobile 6.0 / 6.1.

^{iv} Requires Exchange Server 2010.

^v Requires cellular connection. Does not work over Wi-Fi.

^{vi} Requires Exchange Server 2007 or later.