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[Sanyo Katana LX Unveiled by FCC, Soon to Come at Sprint](#)

The successor of Katana II

Sprint's happy subscribers will soon get the chance to buy a new Sanyo phone, Sanyo Katana LX more exactly, a handset that, in a way, comes to replace the Katana II model released last year. Details about Sanyo Katana LX have been recently unveiled on the **FCC website**, but unfortunately for those who want to see real pictures with the phone, the Federal Communications Commission only shows us some sketches of it. Anyway, these are also good, as we can see that the new Sanyo handset comes in the same **clamshell** form factor that Katana II has. Sanyo Katana LX measures 92 x 48.5 x 17.9 millimeters when closed and it should pack a 2-inch TFT internal display with a 240 x 320 pixels resolution and 65k colors, a 1 inch external display (hopefully, because we can't see one in the images provided by FCC), Bluetooth 2.0, USB, a 2.5mm headset jack and a photo camera (hopefully again, because - again - we can't spot one). The handset should also come with Ring ID, Picture ID, To Do list, Calculator, Stopwatch and other basic features like these. Katana II has a GPS receiver, providing access to Sprint's Navigation service, so the new Katana could integrate GPS features too. Furthermore, Katana II is available in three colors (black, pink and a silver-black combination), so we should also expect Katana LX to come in several color versions. Since its launching, Katana II proved to be a good device for those who want an affordable phone, and most probably the new Katana LX will also be a well-received handset. For the moment, there are no exact details about Katana LX's release date, although until the end of this spring we should be able to buy it. The phone's retail price is also unknown, but it can only be an **affordable** one.