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Sony Ericsson TM506
T-Mobile USA

[Sony Ericsson TM506 Out Now in the US](#)

T-Mobile's new 3G clamshell

Sony Ericsson TM506 has hit the shelves of T-Mobile USA, coming as T-Mo's first 3G Swedish-Japanese handset. Although on the mobile operator's [official website](#) the phone is still "coming soon," users can find it in the carrier's stores from across the US as of now.

According to [Tmonews](#), the TM506 costs \$79.99 with a contract agreement for two years and after a \$50 mail-in rebate. Moreover, the no-contract price of the phone is of only \$159.99, which can surely make the TM506 a hit in terms of sales.

While its free of contract price is not too different from the one of a low-end phone, Sony Ericsson's TM506 is actually a mid-end handset. Coming in a clamshell form factor, the TM506 brings the following: tri-band GSM connectivity (850 / 1800 / 1900 MHz) with GPRS and EDGE, dual-band HSDPA connectivity (1700 / 2100 MHz) for data transfer speeds of up to 3.6 Mbps, a 2 inch TFT internal display with 240 x 320 pixels and 256K colors, a monochrome 36 x 128 pixel external screen, internal GPS and A-GPS, myFaves, NetFront browser, Instant Messaging, push email, Media player, FM radio with RDS, Bluetooth 2.0 with A2DP, a 2 Megapixel camera with video recording, 35MB of memory and support for Memory Stick Micro cards.

Sony Ericsson TM506 weighs 3.4 ounces, measures 3.7 x 1.9 x 0.69 inches (when closed) and, according to T-Mobile, it packs a battery that can last up to 7 hours in talk-time mode or up to two weeks in stand-by mode.

The TM506 is said to come in several color versions, including amber, red and green, so T-Mobile customers will have the chance to pick up a color that they really like.

After the new Sony Ericsson, T-Mo will get ready to release other new and cool handsets, including [Samsung T919 / Tocco](#) and the long awaited [HTC Dream / G1](#) - the very first mobile device to come with Google's open-source Android platform.