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## [Windows Mobile 6.1 to Come on April the 1st](#)

### *Hopefully not a joke*

Windows Mobile 6.1, the newest version of Microsoft's OS for mobile devices, should have been launched at MWC 2008, at the beginning of February, but the giant software company postponed its release for unknown reasons. Now it looks like the new OS will be available starting April the 1st, and [Pocket-Lint](#) reports that reliable sources confirmed this. Sure, the date coincides with April Fools Day, but before you think it could all be a joke, you should know that this is also the date when CTIA Wireless 2008 debuts in Las Vegas. And since Microsoft will obviously be there, Windows Mobile 6.1 could indeed be released on the 1st of April. If this turns out to be true, we can hope that all the handsets announced to run on WM 6.1 will be released earlier than everyone expects. Sony Ericsson's [Xperia X1](#), for example, could even hit the market before the summer, so users who consider buying it should start preparing about 600 - 700 US dollars if they want to be among the first owners of the super-phone. Windows Mobile 6.1 will not bring major improvements when compared to the 6.0 and 6.0 Professional versions, but it will surely be a welcomed upgrade. The new features of the mobile OS include a friendlier user interface, new homescreen and new fonts, as well as the ability to copy/paste content in Internet Explorer. Awaiting for [Windows Mobile 7](#), the next major OS that Microsoft prepares, mobile users will have to be happy with the 6.1 version. For those who don't know, Windows Mobile 7 will only be released in 2009, so we'll have to pretend we're happy for about a whole year or so. But the waiting is probably worth it, as the future WM is rumored to bring features that will even make Apple's iPhone jealous. Anyway, let's see first if Windows Mobile 6.1 will come on the rumored date. After that we have all the time to dream about the new WM 7.