

# Telekommunikation: Replacing my iPhone by a Android Smartphone: Sony Xperia Z1 Compact

## Description

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### My Situation: iPhone fallen into water

My beloved iPhone 5S has accidentally fallen into water for some 3-4 seconds.  
As a result the iPhone is definitely DEAD and the only Apple Solution possible is the use the Apple Change Service i.e. pay EUR 200 for a replacement.  
I chose not to do this but to understand this accident as my chance to move to [Android](#).

### My Requirements

Looking for a quick replacement for my broken iPhone, I first put together my top requirements:

- Form factor should be "flat back side" (in order to be able to attach the phone to my astronomical equipment)
- Size of display max 5 inches
- the battery should be replaceable
- must have a slot for a SD card (min. 64 GB)
- must have a USB host (or OTG) slot
- must have good sensors: magnetometer, gyroscope, etc. (for astronomical positioning at celestial bodies, must have some way to calibrate)
- should be "waterproof"
- as a matter of course: Internal storage min. 16 GB, WiFi, GPS, Bluetooth, LTE, etc.
- astronomical apps with Polar finder / Polar alignment

### My Short List and my evaluation

- Sony Xperia Z3 Compact
- Sony Xperia Z1 Compact
- HTC One Mini 2
- Samsung Galaxy S4 Mini

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The HTC was excluded first.

The Samsung Galaxy S4 Mini was favoured because of the replaceable battery, but it did not support USB OTG, which is a NO-GO for me.

At the end, the **Sony Xperia Z1 Compact** was chosen although it does not have a â??replaceableâ? battery but it fits best with all the other requirements and the built-in battery is reported to be very good and some replacement by a specialized shop should be possible.

## Shopping 21.4.2015

In Hamburg I found the Sony Xperia Z1 Compact at â??Saturnâ?• for EUR 279, but they did not have it in stock.

At the â??Media Marktâ?• shop in Hamburg the Z1 Compact was also on the shelves with the same price tag.

On my way from â??Saturnâ?• to the subway station Jungfernstieg I passed through the â??Europa Passageâ?• where I found a Cyberport store which had the Z1 Compact in stock and sold it for EUR 272 (21.4.2015).

## First Steps

1. Charge the Z1 for 2 hours
2. configure WiFi connection
3. Insert the **Micro SIM card** (from the iPhone) â?? this was a somewhat complicated procedure, since Sonyâ??s documentation was bad, and only hints from the Internet helped after all.
4. Configure Email account (IMAP at Strato)
5. In order to access Google's Play Store: establish a general Google account for this device. I used the account I had already on my old Android tablet the Acer Tab A500. This allows me to reuse Apps on the new Z1 Compact
6. Google Play Store: Download â??**CardDAV Sync free**â??
7. Create CardDAV account for my addressbook, which I host internally on my WHS2011 Home Server with Baikal. Synchronize â??one wayâ?•. This populates the standard Android contacts with my Baikal contact addresses. So the only â??extraâ?• piece of software is that â??sync pieceâ?•. After that the rest is Android standard.
8. Test the integration of these new contacts with the Android email App. It works, the email App uses the Contacts when writing new messagesâ?!.
9. Google Play Store: Download â??**CalDAV Sync**â?• (not free, but was already bought on my old Android tablet with the same Google account)
10. Create CalDAV account for my calendars, which I host internally on my WHS2011 Home Server with Baikal. Synchronize â??one wayâ?•. This populates the standard Android calendar with my Baikal calendar entries. So the only â??extraâ?• piece of software is that â??sync pieceâ?•. After that the rest is Android standard.
11. Test the integration of the Android calendar App with the contacts. It works, the calendar App offers the contacts when creating new â??invitesâ?•.
12. Google Play Store: Webradio App â??**TuneIn**â??

13. Configure the pre-installed **WhatsApp** with the same telephone number I had on my broken iPhone. WhatsApp detected that and reported I have now 7 free months remaining (out of the initial 12 free months)
14. Google Play Store: **WiFi Manger** (in order to see all the WiFi/WLANs in my neighbourhood) > Widget
15. Configure the pre-installed **OneDrive**
16. With OneDrive I have access to my Excel-, Word- and PowerPoint documents. OneDrive asks me to install **Office Mobile** what I did!..
17. Google Play Store: App **Skype**
18. Configure pre-installed App **Evernote**. Sony and Deutsche Telekom (my SIM card) were so kind to grant me a 12 months premium account for free. But this resulted in a new Evernote account, based on my Google ID on that phone. I got an email that allowed me to configure a password for that new Evernote account.
19. In order to use the Evernote premium account, I exported all my Evernote Notebooks from my normal Evernote account and subsequently imported them into the new Evernote premium account (don't forget synchronisation!)
20. Bought a new SD card for the Z1 Compact: SanDisk Extreme microSDXC UHS-I with 64 GB capacity and a speed up to 60 MB/s (on reading, I assume and 40 MB/s for writing says the small print)
21. Bought a protective cover **Slim Office Case VM-361** by **V-Design** ([www.vd.de](http://www.vd.de)) for the brand new Xperia Z1 Compact
22. Google Play Store download: astronomical App **SyEye**
23. Google Play Store update: **Google Maps**
24. Google Play Store download: astronomical App **Google Sky Maps**
25. Google Play Store download: **Adobe Acrobat DC PDF Reader** (Adobe ID ?)
26. Pre-installed App **Box.net**: login with existing account
27. Google Play Store download: **Dropbox**. Login with existing account. Activate camera upload.
28. Google Play Store download: **Yahoo Messenger**. Login with existing account
29. Google Play Store download: **Mediencenter Telekom**. Login with existing account
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39. Google Play Store download: **Zattoo TV App: Live** > they want a registration, why ????
40. Google Play Store download: LED Studio Clock / Gorgy Timing AtomUhr
41. Google Play Store download: SkySafari Plus by Simulation Curriculum Corp. EUR 11,98 >  
**Problem: display freezes when below horizon**
42. Google Play Store download: StauMobil
43. Google Play Store: **mytaxi** > Login ????????
44. Google Play Store: **Twitter**, login with existing account
45. Google Play Store **Speedtest**

46. Google Play Store: **TV Programm Manager** Telekom Deutschland
47. Google Play Store: **Inselradio Mallorca**
48. Google Play Store: **RegenRadar** wetteronline
49. Google Play Store: **Trainings**
50. Google Play Store: **Cisco WebEx** Meetings
51. Google Play Store: **NDR Radio**
52. Google Play Store: **Google Earth**
53. Google Play Store: **Caroussel** (shows photos from Dropbox)
54. Google Play Store: **finanzblick** (Login ????)
55. Google Play Store: **Stuffle** â?? der mobile Flohmarkt
56. Google Play Store: **Blogger** â?? Login with existing account
57. Google Play Store: **Flipboard**
58. Google Play Store: **WordPress** â?? Login with existing account & Selbstgehostete Blogsâ?|â?|
59. Google Play Store: **PlayMemories Mobile** (Sony) for ssart remot controooo f my ony NEX 5R
60. Google Play Store: **TV Pro** â?? Fenshprogramm
61. Google Play Store: **Save TV**
62. Google Play Store: **DHL Paket**
63. Google Play Store: **Tagesschau**
64. Google Play Store: **PlugPlayer** EUR 3,99 TEST
65. Google Play Store: **Leo WÄrtterbuch**
66. Google Play Store: **Home Talk** â?? Telekom Deutschland
67. Google Play Store: **Flickr** Login with existiting Yahoo account
68. Google Play Store: **Gut Kaden Golf Club** â??â??> **Dieser Golf Club ist nicht fÃ¼r Android aktiviert**
69. Google Play Store: **DB Navigator**
70. Google Pay Store: **FinanzAssist** (Cosmos Lebensversicherung)
71. Google Play Store: **OnlineManager** (Telekom Deutschland)
72. Google Play Store: **XING** â?? Ihr Business Netzwerk
73. Google Play Store: **Skat** â?? Isar Interactive GmbH & Co. KG
74. Google Play Store: **AIMP** â?? Music Player
75. Google Play Store: **Travel & Surf** (Telekom Deutschland)
76. Google Play Store: **ARTE**
77. Google Play Store: **Fing** â?? Network Tools
78. Google Play Store: **WiFi XYZ**
79. Google Play Store: **TeamViewer** fÃ¼r Fernsteuerung
80. Google Play Store: **WiFi Mobilize** (Deutsche telekom)
81. Google Play Store: **Maverick** GPS Navigation
82. Google Play Store: **VLC** Video Player
83. Google Play Store: **ifconfig** (show TCP/IP)
84. Google Play Store: **Solitaire** â?? (by Ken Magic)
85. Google Play Store: **barcoo & QR Scanner** (checkitmobile >GmbH)
86. Google Play Store: **Total Commander** â?? Dateimanager
87. Google Play Store: **UPnPPlay** â?? Streaming Client
88. Google Play Store: **AndSMB** â?? Samba Client
89. Google Play Store: **ClockSync** by Sergey Baranov
90. Google Play Store: **Ghost Commander** â?? plus some Plugins

91. Google Play Store: **ES File Explorer**
92. Google Play Store: **SQLite Manager** (by John Li)
93. Google Play Store: **CrashPlan**   â?? Backup
94. Google Play Store: **GPSies** (by Klaus Bechthold)
95. Google Play Store: **Cocktail Flow**
96. apkshare: **JustPictures!**
97. Google Play Store: **Spiegel Online**
98. Google Play Store: **Flickr** (dopelt?)
99. apkshare: **GPS Status**
100. apkshare: **PowerAmp** Music Player (Trial) & PowerAmp Full Version Unlocker
101. Google Play Store: **EagleEye**   â??> ***Shows local photos on SD card by folder, shows IPTC caption with photos***

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