



A Buyers Laboratory Document Imaging Device Assessment

**Kyocera KM-4050**  
 40 PPM Segment 3 Monochrome Device  
 Copy • Print • Fax • Scan



Overall Rating .....	★★★★★
Value .....	★★★★★
Ease of Use .....	★★★★★
Copy Productivity .....	★★★★★
Print Productivity .....	★★★★
Image Quality .....	★★★★★
Multitasking .....	Lab Test Report Only
Utilities .....	Lab Test Report Only
Reliability .....	Lab Test Report Only
Feedback to Workstations .....	Lab Test Report Only
Toner Yield/Cost per Page .....	Lab Test Report Only

\* Based upon a five-star rating system, with five being the best.

Complete specifications information for this unit, including pricing for accessories and options, is available through bliQ, at [www.buyerslab.com/bliq](http://www.buyerslab.com/bliq).

*Testing method:* The unit's copy/print capabilities were tested using a Windows XP workstation with a crossover cable, the standard PowerPC750FL print controller and the KPDL3 driver (version 4.1). The crossover cable eliminates network traffic, allowing for optimal productivity of the unit.

**Comparative Analysis**

Geared to users in mid-volume workgroups and departments, the Kyocera KM-4050 proved to be a competitive overall performer in BLI's field test, offering a very strong feature set and good ease of use at a low price on its way to an overall rating of Four Stars.

The device features standard copy, print and scan functionality, as well as optional faxing/network faxing. Further, despite being a monochrome device, the KM-4050 features standard colour scanning and sending capability at the company's rated speed of 25 ipm. For the base price, users get 512 MB of memory (upgradable to 1 GB) and a 40-GB hard drive that is shared among functions.

*Please note that the following document is based on tests conducted on a Kyocera KM-4050 sold in the United States. BLI has updated this report to reflect the specifications and features available on the Asia/Pacific version of this model. Although there may be slight differences in features and pricing, both models are manufactured by the same parent company, share many of the same components, and are based upon a common engine. Tests were conducted using U.S. letter-size paper and A4 results may vary.*

For a copy of BLI's upcoming Kyocera KM-4050 Lab Test Report, contact BLI at (201) 488-0404, [info@buyerslab.com](mailto:info@buyerslab.com), or [www.buyerslab.com](http://www.buyerslab.com).

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