

KILIMANJARO CENTRE FOR TREKKING & ECOTOURISM (KCTE)

Medical Checklist for Kilimanjaro Climbers

Climbing Kilimanjaro is an incredible adventure, but the high altitude and harsh conditions require careful medical preparation. Below is a complete medical checklist to help you stay healthy and safe during your trek.

Why Choose KCTE for Your Kilimanjaro Adventure?

At **Kilimanjaro Centre for Trekking and Ecotourism (KCTE)**, we don't just take you to the summit—we take care of you every step of the way. Our expert guides are trained in highaltitude medicine, ensuring your health and safety throughout the trek. When you book with KCTE, you get:

- Expert Medical Supervision Our guides conduct twice-daily health checks to monitor oxygen levels, pulse rates, and overall well-being.
- Advanced Altitude Acclimatization Techniques We follow the best practices to prevent altitude sickness, including gradual ascent strategies and hydration monitoring.
- Emergency Support & Safety Measures KCTE provides oxygen tanks, first-aid kits, and satellite communication devices for instant emergency response.
- Nutritional Support & Hydration We prepare high-energy meals and hydration plans to keep you strong and healthy throughout the climb.
- **Premium Trekking Gear & Support** From top-quality tents to high-altitude sleeping bags, we provide the best equipment for a comfortable climb.

Your health is our priority, and your success is our mission. Don't settle for less—book your Kilimanjaro trek with **KCTE** today at <u>www.mt-kilimanjaro.com</u>.

1. Prescription Medications

- Altitude Sickness Prevention: Acetazolamide (Diamox) Consult your doctor for dosage
- Pain Relief: Ibuprofen, Paracetamol, or Aspirin
- Antibiotics: Broad-spectrum (e.g., Azithromycin, Amoxicillin) for infections
- Anti-Nausea Medication: Ondansetron (Zofran) or Promethazine
- Anti-Diarrheal Medication: Loperamide (Imodium)
- Rehydration Salts: Oral Rehydration Salts (ORS) for dehydration
- Antacids: Ranitidine or Omeprazole for stomach issues
- Sleeping Aid: Mild sleep aid if needed (consult a doctor)

2. First Aid Kit

- Adhesive Bandages: Assorted sizes for blisters and small cuts
- Blister Treatment: Moleskin or Compeed patches
- Sterile Gauze & Tape: For wound dressing
- Tweezers & Scissors: For splinter removal and cutting bandages
- Elastic Bandage: For sprains and strains
- **Disposable Gloves:** For hygiene and wound care
- Antiseptic Wipes or Solution: Betadine or alcohol wipes
- Burn Cream: Aloe Vera or Silver Sulfadiazine

3. General Health Items

- Sunscreen (SPF 50+): High-altitude UV protection
- Lip Balm with SPF: Prevent chapped lips
- Insect Repellent: DEET-based for protection from bugs
- Hand Sanitizer: Alcohol-based for hygiene
- Wet Wipes: Biodegradable for body cleaning
- Nasal Spray: Saline spray to prevent dry nose
- Eye Drops: Lubricating drops for dry eyes

4. Hydration & Nutrition

• Electrolyte Tablets: Nuun, Hydralyte, or similar for hydration support

- Energy Bars/Gels: Quick energy boosts
- Multivitamins: Daily supplements for immune support
- Protein Powder or Snacks: To maintain muscle energy

5. Emergency Items

- Emergency Blanket: Thermal blanket for warmth
- Whistle: To signal for help if needed
- Personal Medical Information Card: Emergency contacts, allergies, and health conditions

6. High-Altitude Specific Gear

- Oximeter: To monitor oxygen saturation levels
- Portable Oxygen (if necessary): For emergency altitude sickness relief

Final Advice:

- Consult your doctor at least 6 weeks before your climb.
- Get all necessary vaccinations.
- Test any new medication before the trek to ensure no adverse reactions.
- Drink plenty of water and listen to your body's signals.

With KCTE, you climb with confidence. Our unmatched experience, expert care, and commitment to safety make us the **#1 choice for Kilimanjaro trekkers**. Start your journey today—visit <u>www.mt-kilimanjaro.com</u> and book your climb with the best!