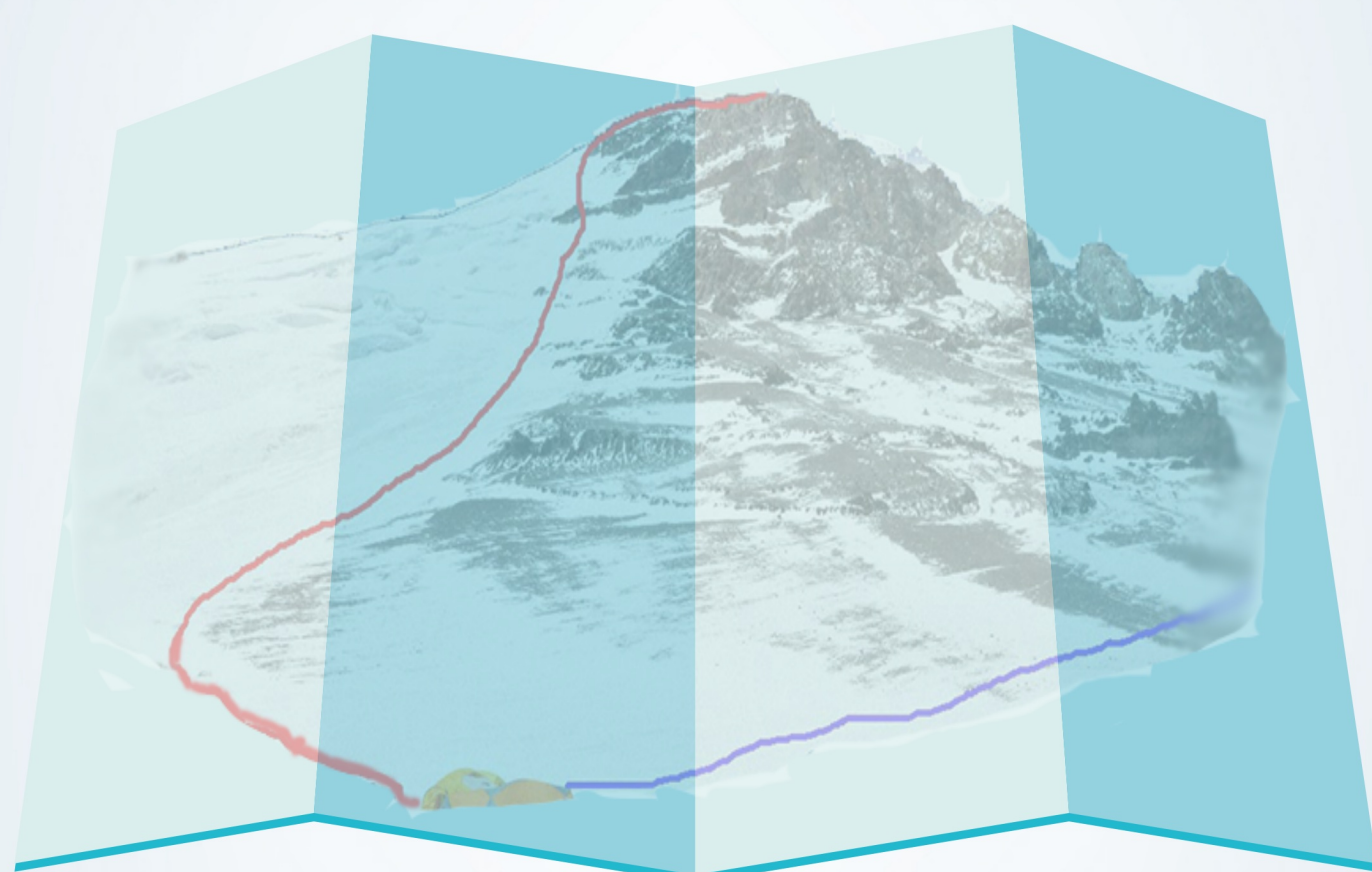


ACONCAGUA:

SAFETY ADVICE FOR U.S. CITIZENS FROM THE U.S. EMBASSY



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Americans die nearly every year on Aconcagua! Don't be one of them...



... and many more need emergency assistance and evacuation. Thousands of foreigners do, however, safely climb the mountain. In order to make your adventure unforgettable, please:

Get insurance (medical, death, evacuation)

Minors (under 14) need judicial authorization in order to climb the summit

Respect the environment. Failure to do so could result in expulsion from the park

Follow Park Ranger and Search and Rescue Team advice and instructions

Register with the Embassy (STEP) and provide emergency contact information and your itinerary
<https://step.state.gov/step/>

Update your SOS or GPS emergency locator information
-Make sure your device is enabled to function in the park and your provider has the correct information for Argentine authorities
-Add the U.S. Embassy as an alternate emergency contact
+54-11-5777-4354/4873

Have a safe trip!

Before you go...

- ☐ Tell someone where you are going and when you'll be back.
- ☐ Be prepared. Bring appropriate equipment.
- ☐ Have a medical exam to ensure your fitness to climb.
- ☐ Gather information on the attractions and hazards you may encounter.
- ☐ Check the weather report, but don't depend on it.

- ☐ FOLLOW THE ADVICE OF THE PARK RANGERS!!!
- ☐ Be prepared for the unexpected - Make contingency plans in case of emergency.
- ☐ Hire a guide approved for Aconcagua.
- ☐ Use good judgment when choosing a route or deciding when to turn back.

While you are out...

- ☐ Be responsible for your own safety and the safety of others.
- ☐ Travel within your ability.

If you run into problems...

- ☐ Stop-Think-Evaluate-Make a plan
- ☐ Don't be afraid to ask for help. A rescue may be more effective if requested early.
- ☐ If lost or stranded, stay in a safe place where you can hear rescuers calling and make yourself visible. Attempt to contact rescuers.
- ☐ Be aware that it may take some time for rescuers to reach you.

IMPORTANT CONTACTS

Aconcagua National Park Visitor Center

Av. San Martín 1143, 1st floor, Mendoza City

M-F 8am to 6pm, Weekends and Holidays
9am to 1pm

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Hospital Luis C. Lagomaggiore

Dial 911

0054-261-413-4600
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MENDOZA 5500

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