

## Side Effects

If you think you are having an allergic reaction to Diamox, tell your doctor immediately or go to the Emergency Department of your nearest hospital.

Symptoms usually include some or all of the following:

- Wheezing
- Swelling of the lips / mouth / face
- Difficulty breathing
- Hay fever
- Lumpy rash (“hives”)
- Rapid shallow breathing
- Cold and clammy skin
- A rapid weak pulse
- Dizziness or fainting

### Some common side effects of Diamox are:

- Tingling or numbness of the fingers, hands, feet and face
- Feeling extremely thirsty
- Loss of appetite
- Flushing
- Headache
- Dizziness
- Passing more urine than normal
- Tiredness
- Irritability

### Less common or rare side effects include:

- Drowsiness
- Depression
- Over-Excitement
- Confusion

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- Increased sensitivity of the skin to the sun
- Fast breathing
- Low potassium levels in the blood
- Nausea/vomiting
- Diarrhoea
- Temporary shortsightedness
- Itchy rash or hives
- Blood in the urine
- Sugar in the urine
- Black tar-like stools
- Liver problems
- Fits
- Paralysis where the muscles are limp and unable to move
- Kidney disease including kidney stones
- Crystals in the urine
- Hearing disturbances such as ringing in the ears
- Growth retardation in children
- Weakness of the bones
- Taste alteration
- Low or high blood sugar levels
- Unsteadiness when walking
- Severe skin reactions such as blisters and bleeding from the lips, eyes, mouth, nose or genitals

**Tell your doctor if you notice anything else that is making you feel unwell when you are taking, or soon after you have finished taking Diamox.**

## DIAMOX®

PHARMACY MEDICINE

### KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN

This leaflet answers some common questions about ACETAZOLAMIDE.

It does not contain all of the available information or take the place of talking to your doctor.

DIAMOX TABLETS	
Active Ingredient	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Acetazolamide 250mg</li></ul>
Inactive Ingredients	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sodium starch glycollate</li><li>• Povidine</li><li>• Calcium hydrogen phosphate</li><li>• Maize starch</li><li>• Magnesium stearate</li></ul>
Does not contain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Gluten</li><li>• Sucrose</li><li>• Tartrazine</li><li>• Any other azo dyes</li></ul>
Presentation	Round, white, cross scored tablet with “Lederle” marked on the back
Supplier	<b>Aspen Pharma Pty Ltd</b> 34-36 Chandos Street St Leonards NSW 2065 Australia
Australian Registration Number	<b>AUST R 15204</b>  Store below 30°C

For further medication information

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## While you are taking Diamox

- Do not drive or operate machinery until you know how Diamox affects you.
- Some people may experience side effects such as drowsiness, confusion and dizziness, which may increase the risk of a fall.
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## Keep to the recommended dose

- Immediately telephone your doctor, or the Poison Information Centre (13 11 26), or go to the Emergency department at the nearest hospital, if you think you or anyone else may have taken too many Diamox. Do this even if there are no signs of discomfort or poisoning.
- **Do not give this medicines to anyone else, even if their symptoms seem similar to yours.**

**Do not use Diamox to treat any other complaints unless advised by your doctor.**

## How to take Diamox

Follow the directions given to you by your doctor

Do not take tablets more often than instructed by your doctor

Swallow Diamox with a glass of water

## Diamox uses

Diamox is used either alone or in combination with eye drops or medicines, to lower raised pressure within the eye

## Before you take Diamox you must tell your doctor if:

You have allergies to other medications, foods, preservatives, dyes or other substances

You are pregnant or plan to become pregnant

You are breastfeeding or plan to breastfeed

You have had any other medical conditions including

- Emphysema
- Blockages of the lung
- Diabetes or impaired glucose tolerance

## Do not use Diamox if:

- You have had an allergic reaction to Acetazolamide or any of the ingredients listed above
- You are allergic to medicines called sulphonamides, which are a group of antibiotics used to treat bacterial infections, or sulphonamides related medication
- You have chronic non-congestive angle closure glaucoma
- You have any of the following conditions
  - Marked liver or kidney disease
  - Problems with your adrenal glands
  - Unusual amounts of salt in the body
  - Low levels of sodium, potassium or bicarbonate in your blood
  - You are pregnant
- The packaging is torn or shows signs of tampering

**If you're not sure whether you should be taking Diamox, talk with your doctor.**