

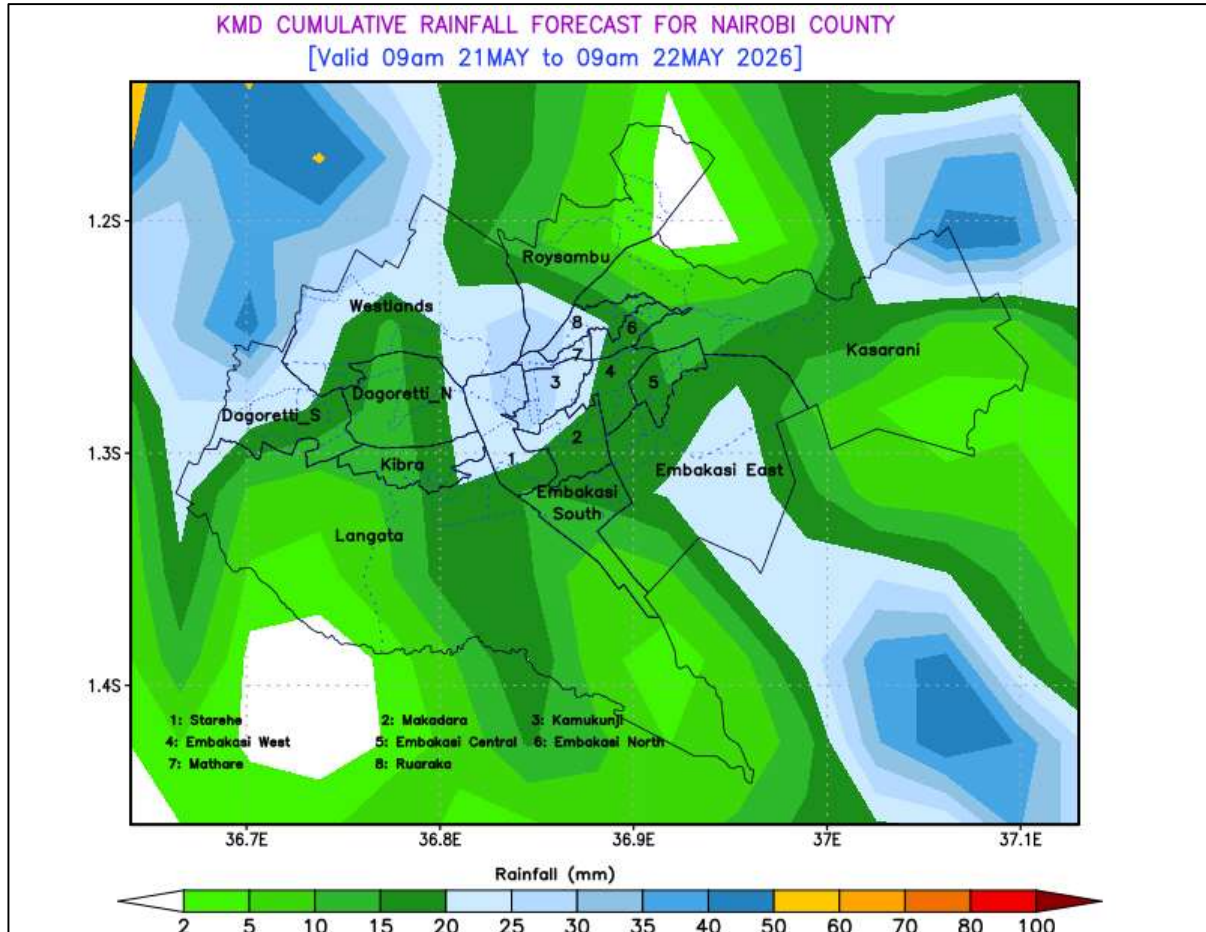


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24-HOUR FORECAST FOR NAIROBI COUNTY
VALIDITY: 21ST MAY 2026 TO 22ND MAY 2026
FORECAST ISSUED ON: 21ST MAY 2026



SUMMARY:

○ The county is likely to receive moderate to heavy showers.

Table 1: 24-Hour Forecast for Zone 1 (Mathare, Kasarani, Ruaka, Roysambu, Kamukunji, Makadara, Starehe, Embakasi West, Embakasi Central, Embakasi East, Embakasi South, Embakasi North, Lang’ata)


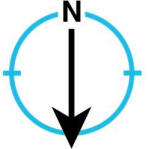






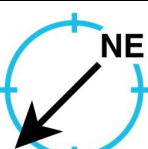



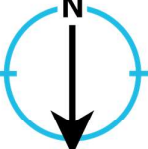






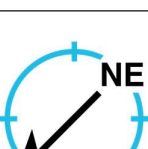


Date/Time	Wind strength	Wind direction	Apparent Temperature*	Weather	Rainfall Distribution	Rainfall-related Hazards**
Thursday 21 May 2026 Night (6pm – 6am)	 Light wind.		16°C	 Showers and Thunderstorms		No rainfall-related hazards are expected
Friday 22 May 2026 Morning (6am - 12pm)	 Light wind.		21°C	 Cloudy breaking into sunny intervals.		No rainfall-related hazards are expected
Friday 22 May 2026 Afternoon (12pm - 6pm)	 Light wind.		27°C	 Light showers.		No rainfall-related hazards are expected




Table 2: 24-Hour Forecast for Zone 2 (Westlands, Dagoretti South, Dagoretti North, Kibra, Lang’ata)

Date/Time	Wind strength	Wind direction	Apparent Temperature*	Weather	Rainfall Distribution	Rainfall-related Hazards**
Thursday 21 May 2026 Night (6pm – 6am)	 Light wind.		15°C	 Showers and Thunderstorms		No rainfall-related hazards are expected
Friday 22 May 2026 Morning (6am - 12pm)	 Light wind.		21°C	 Cloudy breaking into sunny intervals.		No rainfall-related hazards are expected
Friday 22 May 2026 Afternoon (12pm - 6pm)	 Light wind.		25°C	 Light showers.		No rainfall-related hazards are expected

****Rainfall-related hazards include flooding, lightning strikes and strong winds.**

Colour coding of rainfall-related hazards:

Green	No rainfall-related hazards are expected.
Amber	Rainfall-related hazards are likely to occur. They may pose a threat to life and damage property. Be prepared.
Red	Dangerous and potentially life threatening weather conditions are expected. Take appropriate action immediately to ensure your safety and the safety of your family and neighbours.

Key for symbols showing spatial rainfall distribution	
	Rain likely to fall in few places (<33%). A small portion of the zone is likely to receive rainfall.
	Rain likely to fall in several places (33-66%). Multiple but not most parts of the zone are likely to receive rainfall.
	Rain likely to fall in most places (> 66%). Rain is expected in nearly all parts of the zone.

<i>Term</i>	<i>Rainfall Amount (24 hrs.)</i>	<i>Description</i>
Light	< 5 mm	Gentle rain, drizzle.
Moderate	5–20 mm	Steady, noticeable rain.
Heavy	21–50 mm	Intense rain, possible thunder.
Very Heavy	> 50 mm	Prolonged rain.

<i>Term</i>	<i>Probability of Occurrence</i>	<i>Description</i>
Possible	10–30%	There is low confidence.
Chance of/ May	31–50%	There is moderate confidence.
Likely	51–75%	The event is more probable than not.
Expected	76–90%	There is high confidence.
Very Likely	91–99%	There is very high confidence. Almost certain.
Certain	100%	The event is guaranteed to occur.

<i>Term</i>	<i>Time Coverage (%)</i>	<i>Meaning</i>
Occasional	Less than 25%	Happens rarely or a few times.
Intermittent	25% – 50%	Starts and stops, comes and goes.
Frequent	51% – 75%	Occurs regularly.
Very Frequent / Common	More than 75%	Happens almost all the time.

*Apparent temperature (or Heat Index) is how hot a person feels due to the combined effect of temperature and relative humidity.

Colour coding of apparent temperature:

Classification	Effects on the body	Actions to take
Safe <27°C	✓ Little to no effects.	✓ No actions required.
Caution 27 to 31°C	✓ Fatigue may occur with prolonged exposure to heat and/or physical activity.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Drink plenty of water. ✓ Don't stay outdoors for too long. ✓ Stay in the shade in the afternoon. ✓ Open windows at night and use fans.
Extreme Caution 32 to 40°C	<p>With prolonged exposure to heat and/or physical activity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Painful muscle spasms caused by loss of salts and fluids through heavy sweating (heat cramps) may occur. ✓ The body may become overheated and struggle to cool down due to excessive loss of water and salt (heat exhaustion). ✓ The body's temperature-regulating system may fail and body temperature may rise above 40°C requiring medical attention (heat stroke). ✓ The body's temperature-regulating system may fail and body temperature may rise above 40°C due to direct exposure to the sun requiring medical attention (sun stroke). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Drink plenty of water. ✓ Don't stay outdoors for too long. ✓ Stay in a cool place in the afternoon. ✓ Open windows at night and use fans/air-conditioning. ✓ Carry outdoor activities when it's cool.
Danger 41 to 54°C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Painful muscle spasms caused by loss of salts and fluids through heavy sweating (heat cramps) are likely to occur. ✓ The body is likely to become overheated and struggle to cool down due to excessive loss of water and salt (heat exhaustion). ✓ The body's temperature-regulating system is likely to fail and body temperature is likely to rise above 40°C due to direct exposure to the sun requiring medical attention (sun stroke). ✓ The body's temperature-regulating system may fail and body temperature may rise above 40°C requiring medical attention (heat stroke) with prolonged exposure to heat and/or physical activity. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Drink plenty of water. ✓ Stay in a cool place in the afternoon and evening. ✓ Use air-conditioning. ✓ Avoid outdoor activities or carry them out when it's cool. ✓ Avoid prolonged exposure to direct sunshine.
Extreme Danger > 54°C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ The body's temperature-regulating system is very likely to fail and body temperature may rise above 40°C requiring medical attention (heat stroke) with continued exposure to heat. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Drink plenty of water. ✓ Stay a cool place all day. ✓ Use air-conditioning. ✓ Avoid outdoor activities. ✓ Avoid prolonged exposure to direct sunshine.

Colour coding of apparent temperature adapted from NOAA-NWS-USA: [HeatRisk v2.5 - Understanding HeatRisk and Heat Index Chart](#)