



BAHAMAS MARINE FORECAST

MARINE FORECASTS FOR THE BAHAMAS ISSUED BY THE BAHAMAS DEPARTMENT OF METEOROLOGY AT 12:00 P.M. EDT FRIDAY, 17TH JULY, 2026, FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS. THE NEXT SCHEDULED FORECASTS WILL BE ISSUED AT 6:00 P.M. EDT.

Marine Heat Advisory: A Heat Advisory remains in effect for the entire Bahamas. *A Severe Heat Wave* is currently affecting the islands of the **Northern Bahamas**. Residents and visitors are **strongly** advised to remain hydrated, wear protective clothing, seek shaded areas and avoid prolonged sun exposure during peak sunshine hours (11am to 4pm). *Please see the latest press release from the Ministry of Health and Wellness.*

A Dust Advisory remains in effect for the **Central and Southeast Bahamas, as well as the Turks & Caicos Islands**. Residents, especially those with respiratory conditions, should take the necessary precautions to safeguard their health.

WARNINGS:

Thunderstorm Activity: There is a *marginal to moderate risk* of isolated strong to possibly severe thunderstorms over portions of the Northern and Northwest Bahamas this afternoon. *The public should monitor for the issuance of any watches or warnings by the Bahamas Department of Meteorology.*

Rip Currents: There is a *slight to moderate risk* of rip currents for the Southeast Bahamas including the southern territorial waters. *Swimmers are advised to exercise caution when entering these waters.*

GENERAL SITUATION:

Moisture from a trough near the Northern islands coupled with upper-level support will continue to generate showers and thunderstorms across the area. Meanwhile, ridging and Saharan dust over the Central and Southeast Bahamas will maintain hot, hazy and drier conditions over those islands. Mariners should expect gentle to moderate winds and slight seas.

NORTHERN BAHAMAS

(INCLUDING GRAND BAHAMA, ABACO, BIMINI & ADJACENT WATERS):

ADVISORY:	<i>None.</i>
WINDS:	Southerly at 10 knots or less.
LOCAL SEAS:	2 feet or less in nearshore and open waters, 2 to 4 feet in Atlantic waters.
GULF STREAM:	2 feet or less.
SWELLS:	Slight easterly swells in Atlantic waters.
WEATHER:	Chance of showers with isolated thunderstorms.

NORTHWEST BAHAMAS

(INCLUDING NEW PROVIDENCE, ANDROS, THE BERRY ISLANDS, ELEUTHERA & ADJACENT WATERS):

ADVISORY:	<i>None.</i>
WINDS:	East to southeast at 10 to 15 knots, falling light and variable
LOCAL SEAS:	2 feet or less in nearshore and open waters, 2 to 4 feet in Atlantic waters.
SWELLS:	Slight easterly swells in Atlantic waters.
WEATHER:	Chance of showers with isolated thunderstorms.

CENTRAL BAHAMAS

(INCLUDING EXUMA, CAT ISLAND, LONG ISLAND, SAN SALVADOR, RUM CAY & ADJACENT WATERS):

ADVISORY:	<i>None.</i>
WINDS:	Easterly at 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts.
LOCAL SEAS:	2 feet or less in nearshore and open waters, 2 to 4 feet in Atlantic waters.
SWELLS:	Slight easterly swells in Atlantic waters.
WEATHER:	Slight chance of isolated showers.

SOUTHEAST BAHAMAS

(INCLUDING INAGUA, ACKLINS, CROOKED ISLAND, MAYAGUANA, RAGGED ISLAND & ADJACENT WATERS):

ADVISORY:	A <i>small craft caution</i> is in effect for Atlantic waters.
WINDS:	Easterly at 15 to 20 knots.
LOCAL SEAS:	2 feet or less in nearshore waters, 2 to 4 feet in open waters, 4 to 6 feet in Atlantic waters.
SWELLS:	Slight easterly swells in Atlantic waters.
WEATHER:	Slight chance of isolated showers.



MOONSET:	MOONRISE:
10:38pm	10:51am SAT
MOON PHASE NEW MOON	
FIRST QUARTER – 21 ST JULY 2026.	

ISLAND TIDES:	NORTHERN (GRAND BAHAMA):	NORTHWEST (NEW PROVIDENCE):	CENTRAL (EXUMA):	SOUTHEAST (INAGUA):
LOW TIDE:	5:32 PM	5:02 PM	4:55 PM	5:24 PM
HIGH TIDE:	11:39 PM	11:15 PM	11:17 PM	11:31 PM

(For specific times for other islands, please see Tide Table Publication.)

TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK:
1. Eastern Tropical Atlantic: A broad area of low pressure, associated with a tropical wave is located about 175 miles southeast of the Cabo Verde Islands. Formation chance through 7 days is low at 10 percent. 2. Northeastern Gulf of America and Offshore of the Southeastern U.S.: An area of low pressure is forecast to form this weekend over the northeastern Gulf of America. Formation chance through 7 days is low at 20 percent.

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR SATURDAY, 18TH JULY, 2026:

ADVISORY:	A <i>small craft caution</i> will be in effect for the Southeast Bahamas.
WINDS:	Northern and Northwest Bahamas: Southeast to south at 10 to 15 knots. Central Bahamas: East to southeast at 10 to 15 knots with occasional gusts. Southeast Bahamas: East to southeast at 15 to 20 knots.
SEAS:	Northern, Northwest and Central Bahamas: 2 feet or less in nearshore and open waters, 2 to 4 feet in Atlantic waters. Southeast Bahamas: 2 feet or less in nearshore waters, 3 to 5 feet in open waters, 4 to 6 feet in Atlantic waters.
PRECIPITATION:	Northern Bahamas: Chance of showers with isolated thunderstorms. Elsewhere: Slight chance of isolated showers.

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR SUNDAY, 19TH JULY, 2026:

ADVISORY:	A <i>small craft caution</i> will be in effect for the Southeast Bahamas.
WINDS:	Northern and Northwest Bahamas: Southeast to south at 10 to 15 knots. Central Bahamas: East to southeast at 10 to 15 knots. Southeast Bahamas: East to southeast at 15 to 20 knots.
SEAS:	Northern Bahamas: 2 feet or less in nearshore and open waters, 2 to 4 feet in Atlantic waters. Northwest and Central Bahamas: 2 feet or less in nearshore and open waters, 3 to 5 feet in Atlantic waters. Southeast Bahamas: 2 feet or less in nearshore waters, 3 to 5 feet in open waters, 4 to 6 feet in Atlantic waters.
PRECIPITATION:	All areas: Slight chance of isolated showers.

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