



BAHAMAS MARINE FORECAST

MARINE FORECASTS FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS ISSUED BY THE BAHAMAS DEPARTMENT OF METEOROLOGY AT 6:00 A.M. EDT, Wednesday, April 22, 2026. THE NEXT SCHEDULED FORECAST WILL BE ISSUED AT 12:00 P.M. EDT.

WARNINGS:	<p><i>A Near Gale Warning (28 – 33 knots) is in effect for the Central and Southeast Bahamas.</i></p> <p><i>A Near Gale Watch is in effect for the Northwest Bahamas.</i></p> <p>Rip Currents and Rough Surf: A high risk of dangerous, life-threatening rip currents and rough surf persists along all Atlantic-exposed beaches and passages across the island chain. <i>Beachgoers and swimmers should avoid entering the water along all windward and Atlantic-exposed shorelines, while mariners, especially small craft operators, should remain in port.</i></p>
GENERAL SITUATION:	<p>A weakening frontal boundary near the Southeast Bahamas will support pockets of isolated shower and thunderstorm activity across that area today. Behind it, relatively cooler temperatures and stable conditions prevail due to high pressure and a drier air mass. Meanwhile, fresh to strong breezes and rough seas will persist across the country with wind gusts anticipated to reach near gale force over the Central and Southeastern islands.</p> <p>Outlook: The front will continue to weaken and gradually move out of the area later tonight, though it is expected to linger just south of the region through the remainder of the workweek. High pressure will build across most of the country on Thursday, helping to maintain stable weather conditions as winds and seas gradually subside. However, a few passing showers remain possible as Atlantic moisture continues to stream across the area on the breeze. By Friday, a mid-to upper-level disturbance, along with deep tropical moisture moving in from the Gulf, will bring increasing showers and isolated thunderstorms across the Central and Southeast Bahamas, as well as portions of the Northwest Bahamas, through Saturday before exiting the area by Saturday afternoon. Expect increasingly favorable marine conditions this weekend, especially after the passage of the disturbance, as winds become light to gentle along with smooth seas.</p>

NORTHERN BAHAMAS (INCLUDING GRAND BAHAMA, ABACO, BIMINI & ADJACENT WATERS):	
ADVISORY:	Small craft advisory. Small craft operators are advised to remain in port.
WINDS:	East-northeast to east-southeast at 15 to 25 knots.
LOCAL SEAS:	3 – 5 feet nearshore, building up to 6 - 9 feet in offshore and Atlantic waters.
GULF STREAM:	3 – 5 feet; light to moderate east-northeasterly swell; east to southeast at 10 to 15 knots.
SWELLS:	Moderate northeasterly swell on Atlantic waters.
WEATHER:	20% chance of a few, light isolated showers.

NORTHWEST BAHAMAS (INCLUDING NEW PROVIDENCE, ANDROS, THE BERRY ISLANDS, ELEUTHERA & ADJACENT WATERS):	
ADVISORY:	Small craft advisory. Small craft operators are advised to remain in port.
WINDS:	Northeast to east at 15 to 25 knots.
LOCAL SEAS:	3 – 5 feet nearshore, building up to 6 - 9 feet in offshore and Atlantic waters.
SWELLS:	Moderate to large northeasterly swell on Atlantic waters.
WEATHER:	20% chance of a few, light isolated showers.

CENTRAL BAHAMAS (INCLUDING EXUMA, CAT ISLAND, LONG ISLAND, SAN SALVADOR, RUM CAY & ADJACENT WATERS):	
ADVISORY:	<i>Near Gale Warning. Small craft operators SHOULD remain in port.</i>
WINDS:	Northeast to east at 15 to 25 knots with <i>occasional</i> gusts to near gale force.
LOCAL SEAS:	4 – 6 feet nearshore, building up to 7 - 10 feet in offshore and Atlantic waters.
SWELLS:	Moderate to large northeasterly swell on Atlantic waters.
WEATHER:	10 - 20% chance of a few, light isolated showers.



SOUTHEAST BAHAMAS (INCLUDING INAGUA, ACKLINS, CROOKED ISLAND, MAYAGUANA, RAGGED ISLAND & ADJACENT WATERS):	
ADVISORY:	Near Gale Warning. Small craft operators SHOULD remain in port.
WINDS:	Northeasterly at 20 to 25 knots with <i>frequent</i> gusts to near gale force.
LOCAL SEAS:	4 – 6 feet nearshore, building up to 7 - 11 feet in offshore and Atlantic waters.
SWELLS:	Large northeasterly swell on Atlantic waters.
WEATHER:	30% chance of widely scattered showers with possible isolated thunderstorms.

MOONSET:	MOONRISE:
1:31 AM <small>THU</small>	11:12 AM

ISLAND TIDES:	NORTHERN (GRAND BAHAMA):	NORTHWEST (NEW PROVIDENCE):	CENTRAL (EXUMA):	SOUTHEAST (INAGUA):
LOW TIDE:	6:49 A.M.	6:47 A.M.	6:40 A.M.	7:09 AM
HIGH TIDE:	12:47 P.M.	12:38 P.M.	12:40 P.M.	12:54 P.M.

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

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR THURSDAY 23 RD APRIL, 2026:	
ADVISORY:	Small craft caution for Atlantic waters in the Northern & Northwest Bahamas. Small craft advisory for Atlantic waters in the <i>Central & Southeast Bahamas</i> .
WINDS:	Northern and Northwest Bahamas: Easterly at 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts. Central and Southeast Bahamas: Northeast to east at 12 to 18 knots.
SEAS:	Northern and Northwest Bahamas: 3 feet or less nearshore and among sheltered areas, building up to 5 feet in offshore and Atlantic waters. Central and Southeast Bahamas: 2 – 4 feet nearshore, building up to 7 - 8 feet in offshore and Atlantic waters.
WEATHER:	All Areas: 10 to 30% chance of isolated showers.

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR FRIDAY 24 TH APRIL, 2026:	
ADVISORY:	Small craft caution for the Southeast Bahamas.
WINDS:	All Areas: East to southeast at 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts at times, especially in the Southeast Bahamas.
SEAS:	All Areas: 2 – 4 feet over the ocean.
WEATHER:	Northern Bahamas: 20% chance of isolated showers. Northwest and Central Bahamas: 20 to 40% chance of widely scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms. Southeast Bahamas: 40 to 60% chance of scattered showers and thunderstorms.

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