



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, Monday, May 25, 2026. THE NEXT SCHEDULED FORECAST WILL BE ISSUED AT 12:00 P.M. EDT.

*A **Near Gale Warning (28 to 33 knots)** is in effect for the Central and Southeast Bahamas. Near-gale force winds are possible across the Southeast Bahamas through Tuesday, and across the Central Bahamas by 12pm today. For additional marine information, please view our Marine forecast on our website, met.gov.bs.*

WARNINGS:

Rip Currents: A **high** risk of dangerous rip currents exists along all east coast and Atlantic-exposed beaches of the island chain. **Beachgoers and swimmers should avoid entering the water along all windward and Atlantic-exposed shorelines.**

Generally hazardous marine conditions for small crafts will persist throughout the day, as a strong surface ridge supports fresh to near gale breezes and rough, choppy seas across Bahamian waters. Occasional showers moving within the wind regime may reduce visibility along with locally higher seas through tonight.

GENERAL SITUATION:

Outlook: High pressure will continue to generate strong winds, rough seas, and passing showers through midweek. Winds are expected to gradually ease by Wednesday, though choppy waters will persist. By late Thursday into Friday, a tropical wave moving in from the Caribbean will bring cloudier, more humid, and unsettled weather with increasing showers and thunderstorms. Marine conditions are expected to deteriorate further into the weekend, with the potential for severe weather on Sunday.

NORTHERN BAHAMAS

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

ADVISORY:	A small craft advisory is in effect for Atlantic-exposed waters, while a small craft caution remains in effect for local and sheltered waters.
WINDS:	East to southeast at 15 to 20 knots.
LOCAL SEAS:	1 to 3 feet in sheltered nearshore waters, 4 to 6 feet in sheltered offshore waters and the Gulf Stream. 5 to 8 feet in Atlantic waters.
SWELLS:	Slight to moderate mixed swells over Atlantic-exposed waters.
WEATHER:	10 – 30% chance of showers.

NORTHWEST BAHAMAS

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

ADVISORY:	A small craft advisory is in effect for Atlantic-exposed waters, while a small craft caution remains in effect for local and sheltered waters.
WINDS:	East to southeast at 15 to 25 knots.
LOCAL SEAS:	1 to 3 feet in sheltered nearshore waters, 4 to 6 feet in sheltered offshore waters. 5 to 8 feet in Atlantic waters.
SWELLS:	Slight to moderate north to northeasterly swells over Atlantic-exposed waters.
WEATHER:	10 – 30% chance of showers.

CENTRAL BAHAMAS

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

ADVISORY:	A Near Gale Warning (28 to 33 knots) is in effect. Boaters, especially small craft operators, are advised to seek safe harbour and remain in port.
WINDS:	Easterly at 15 to 25 knots with gusts to near gale beginning by noon today.
LOCAL SEAS:	2 to 3 feet in sheltered nearshore waters, 5 to 8 feet in sheltered offshore waters. 6 to 9 feet in Atlantic waters.
SWELLS:	Moderate north to northeasterly swells over Atlantic-exposed waters.
WEATHER:	10 – 30% chance of showers.

**SOUTHEAST BAHAMAS**

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

ADVISORY: A **Near Gale Warning (28 to 33 knots)** is in effect. **Boaters, especially small craft operators, are advised to seek safe harbour and remain in port.**

WINDS: Easterly at 20 to 25 knots with **gusts to near gale.**

LOCAL SEAS: 2 to 4 feet in sheltered nearshore waters, 6 to 9 feet in sheltered offshore waters. 7 to 10 feet in Atlantic waters.

SWELLS: Moderate easterly swells over Atlantic-exposed waters.

WEATHER: 10 – 30% chance of showers.

MOONRISE:

3:07 PM

MOONSET:

3:09 AM TUE

ISLAND TIDES:	NORTHERN (GRAND BAHAMA):	NORTHWEST (NEW PROVIDENCE):	CENTRAL (EXUMA):	SOUTHEAST (INAGUA):
LOW TIDE:	10:22 A.M.	10:20 A.M.	10:13 A.M.	10:42 A.M.
HIGH TIDE:	4:49 P.M.	4:40 P.M.	4:42 P.M.	4:56 P.M.

*(For specific times for other islands, please see [Tide Table Publication](#).)***EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR TUESDAY, 26TH MAY 2026:**

ADVISORY: A **Near Gale Warning (28 to 33 knots)** remains in effect for the **Central and Southeast Bahamas. Boaters, especially small craft operators, are advised to remain in port.** A **small craft advisory** remains in effect for Atlantic-exposed waters of the **Northern and Northwest Bahamas**, while a **small craft caution** remains in effect for local and sheltered waters.

WINDS: **Northern and Northwest Bahamas:** East to southeast at 15 to 25 knots with higher gusts. **Central and Southeast Bahamas:** Easterly at 20 to 25 knots with **gusts to near gale.**

SEAS: **Northern, Northwest & Central Bahamas:** 3 feet or less nearshore, 4 to 6 feet offshore sheltered waters, and 6 to 8 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters. **Southeast Bahamas:** 2 to 4 feet nearshore waters, 4 to 6 feet offshore sheltered waters, and 7 to 10 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters. **Gulf Stream:** Seas 4 to 6 feet.

WEATHER: **All areas:** 10 – 30% chance of showers.

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR WEDNESDAY, 27TH MAY 2026:

ADVISORY: A **Near Gale Warning (28 to 33 knots)** remains in effect for the **Central and Southeast Bahamas until 6pm. Boaters, especially small craft operators, are advised to remain in port.** A **small craft advisory** remains in effect for Atlantic-exposed waters of the **Northern and Northwest Bahamas**, while a **small craft caution** remains in effect for local and sheltered waters.

WINDS: **Northern and Northwest Bahamas:** East to southeast at 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts, decreasing to 15 knots by nightfall. **Central and Southeast Bahamas:** Easterly at 15 to 25 knots with **gusts to near gale** during the day.

SEAS: **Northern and Northwest Bahamas:** 3 feet or less nearshore, 3 to 5 feet offshore sheltered waters, and 5 to 8 feet subsiding to 4 to 7 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters Wednesday night. **Central and Southeast Bahamas:** 2 to 4 feet nearshore waters, 4 to 7 feet offshore sheltered waters, and 6 to 9 feet, subsiding to 5 to 8 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters Wednesday night. **Gulf Stream:** Seas 4 to 6 feet.

WEATHER: **All areas:** 20 – 30% chance of showers.

TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK: *At this time, the tropics remain quiet. Tropical cyclone activity is not expected during the next seven (7) days.*

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