



BAHAMAS MARINE FORECAST

MARINE FORECASTS FOR THE BAHAMAS ISSUED BY THE BAHAMAS DEPARTMENT OF METEOROLOGY AT 6:00 A.M. EDT, Monday, October 26, 2026, FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS. THE NEXT SCHEDULED FORECASTS WILL BE ISSUED AT 12:00 P.M. EDT.

A **Gale Warning (34 – 40 Knots)** is in effect for the Gulf Stream Waters, Northern Bahamas and the northern regional waters of the Northwest Bahamas, namely the waters of the Berry Islands and the Northeast Providence Channel. *Gale force winds are expected through early Wednesday. Mariners, especially small craft mariners, are advised to remain in port. Swimmers are advised to remain on shore until further notice.*

A **Severe Weather Watch** remains in effect for the Southeast Bahamas as well as the Turks and Caicos Islands. *Mariners in these areas should remain vigilant and stay updated on all severe weather warnings issued by the Bahamas Department of Meteorology.*

WARNINGS:

Marine Conditions: *Dangerous marine conditions are expected through Thursday, including dangerous surf conditions, dangerous rip currents and large waves.* Large wind waves affect the waters of the Northern Bahamas and northern regional waters of the Northwest Bahamas. Moderate to large swells affect the Atlantic waters elsewhere of the island chain. These conditions are expected to persist through midweek.

Rip Currents: There is a **high** risk of dangerous, life-threatening rip currents across all waters including Atlantic coastlines of the island chain. *Beachgoers should refrain from entering the water at this time.*

A tight pressure gradient developing between a strengthening high-pressure system north of the area, and a broad area of low pressure meandering across the Bahamas, will generate extremely windy conditions across the Northern and portions of the Northwest Bahamas, with gusts possibly reaching gale force. Seas will be choppy, with very large to extraordinary waves infiltrating the Atlantic waters and channels over all areas, due to a combination of wind-driven waves and swells. Meanwhile, showers and thunderstorms will affect the Bahamas, with locally gusty winds and higher seas possible, particularly across the Southeast Bahamas.

GENERAL SITUATION:

Marine Outlook: Strong winds will persist through Tuesday before gradually easing across the northern territories by midweek, as high pressure weakens and shifts eastward into the Atlantic. Despite this, hazardous marine conditions may linger as seas may be slow to subside. Broad troughing and a lingering surface low near the Great Bahama Bank will maintain the potential for isolated showers and thunderstorms, with locally gusty winds and higher seas possible.

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

ADVISORY:	A Gale Warning is in effect. <i>Mariners are urged to remain in port.</i>
WINDS:	Northeasterly at 20 to 30 knots with gusts up to 40 knots.
LOCAL SEAS:	2 to 4 feet in sheltered nearshore waters. 5 to 8 feet in sheltered offshore waters. 12 to 16 feet in the Gulf Stream. 14 to 18 feet in Atlantic Waters.
SWELLS:	Large northeast swells on the Atlantic waters.
WEATHER:	20 – 40% chance of showers with possible thunderstorms.



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

ADVISORY: A **Gale Warning** is in effect for the territorial waters of the Berry Islands and the Northeast Providence Channel. **Mariners are urged to remain in port.** A **small craft advisory** is in effect for the remainder of the area. **Small craft operators should remain in port.**

WINDS: Northeasterly at 20 to 25 knots with gusts up to 35 knots in the Berry Islands. Northeast to east at 15 knots with higher gusts mainly over New Providence, Andros and Eleuthera.

LOCAL SEAS: 2 to 4 feet in sheltered nearshore waters. 4 to 7 feet in sheltered offshore waters. 5 to 8 feet in the territorial waters of the Berry Islands. 8 to 12 feet in the Northeast Providence Channel. 12 to 16 feet in Atlantic waters.

SWELLS: Large northeast swells on the Atlantic waters.

WEATHER: 20 – 30% chance of showers with possible thunderstorms.

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

ADVISORY: A **small craft advisory** is in effect. **Small craft operators should remain in port.**

WINDS: East-northeast to east-southeast at 10 knots, falling light and variable at times across Exuma and Cat Island. South to southwest at 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts over Rum Cay, San Salvador and Long Island.

LOCAL SEAS: 1 to 3 feet in sheltered nearshore waters and the Great Bahama Bank. 3 to 5 feet but occasionally building 6 to 9 feet in sheltered offshore waters. 9 to 13 feet in Atlantic waters.

SWELLS: Moderate to large northeast swells on the Atlantic waters.

WEATHER: 10 – 30% chance of showers with possible thunderstorms.

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

ADVISORY: A **small craft advisory** is in effect. **Small craft operators should remain in port.**

WINDS: Southerly at 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts.

LOCAL SEAS: 2 to 4 feet in sheltered nearshore waters. 5 to 8 feet in sheltered offshore waters. 8 to 12 feet in Atlantic waters.

SWELLS: Moderate to large northeast swells on the Atlantic waters.

WEATHER: 40 – 70% chance of showers with thunderstorms, decreasing 20 – 40% by tonight.

MOONSET:	MOONRISE:
7:38 AM	6:48 PM

ISLAND TIDES:	NORTHERN (GRAND BAHAMA):	NORTHWEST (NEW PROVIDENCE):	CENTRAL (EXUMA):	SOUTHEAST (INAGUA):
HIGH TIDE:	8:26 A.M.	8:17 A.M.	8:19 A.M.	8:33 A.M.
LOW TIDE:	2:46 P.M.	2:44 P.M.	2:37 P.M.	3:06 P.M.

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

TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK: Tropical cyclone activity is not expected during the next seven days.



EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR TUESDAY 27TH OCTOBER 2026:

ADVISORY: A **Gale Warning** will remain in effect for the Northern Bahamas, the territorial waters of the Berry Islands and the Northeast Providence Channel. A **small craft advisory** will remain in effect for the remainder of the Bahamas. **Small craft operators should remain in port.**

WINDS: **Northern Bahamas: Northeasterly at 20 to 30 knots with gusts to gale force.**
Northwest Bahamas: East-northeast to east-southeast at 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts.
Central and Southeast Bahamas: Southerly at 15 knots, falling light and variable by nightfall.
Northern Bahamas: 6 to 9 feet on the sheltered waters and 10 to 15 feet on the Atlantic waters.

SEAS: **Northwest Bahamas:** 6 to 9 feet on the northern regional waters, 4 to 7 feet offshore elsewhere on the sheltered waters and 9 to 12 feet on the Atlantic waters.
Central and Southeast Bahamas: 4 to 7 feet on the sheltered waters and 6 to 8 feet on the Atlantic waters.
Gulf Stream: 12 to 16 feet.

WEATHER: **Northern and Southeast Bahamas:** 30 – 50% chance of showers with possible thunderstorms.
Northwest and Central Bahamas: 20 – 30% chance of showers with possible thunderstorms.

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR WEDNESDAY 28TH OCTOBER 2026:

ADVISORY: A **Near Gale Warning** will come into effect for the Northern Bahamas. A **small craft advisory** will remain in effect for the Northwest and Central Bahamas as well as the Atlantic waters of the Southeast Bahamas. A **small craft caution** will come into effect for the local waters of the Southeast Bahamas. **Small craft operators should remain in port.**

WINDS: **Northern Bahamas:** Northeast to east at 15 to 25 knots with higher gusts, decreasing to 15 knots by nightfall.
Northwest and Central Bahamas: East-southeast to south-southeast at 10 knots or less.
Southeast Bahamas: Southeast to south at 10 knots or less, shifting east to southeast at 10 to 15 knots at night.

SEAS: **Northern Bahamas:** 5 to 8 feet on the sheltered waters and 7 to 11 feet on the Atlantic waters.
Northwest Bahamas: 5 to 8 feet nearshore on the sheltered and 6 to 9 feet on the Atlantic waters.

WEATHER: **Central Bahamas:** 4 to 6 feet nearshore on the sheltered waters, 5 to 7 feet offshore on the sheltered waters and 6 to 8 feet on the Atlantic waters.
Southeast Bahamas: 4 to 6 feet on the sheltered waters and 5 to 7 feet on the Atlantic waters.
Gulf Stream: 8 to 12 feet, subsiding 6 to 9 feet by nightfall.
All areas: 20 – 40% chance of showers with thunderstorms.

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