



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. EST, Sunday, February 15, 2026. THE NEXT SCHEDULED FORECAST WILL BE ISSUED AT 12:00 P.M. EST.

WARNINGS:	<p>A Near Gale Warning (28–33 knots) remains in effect for the Southeast Bahamas. Occasional gusts to near-gale force are likely across this area until NOON. <i>Boaters, especially small craft, are urged to seek safe shelter and remain in port.</i></p> <p>A Near Gale Watch (28–33 knots) remains in effect for the Northern Bahamas. Occasional gusts to near-gale force are possible across those areas by late Sunday afternoon through NOON on Monday. <i>Boaters, especially small craft, are urged to seek safe shelter and remain in port.</i></p>
GENERAL SITUATION:	<p>The country is currently under the influence of a tight pressure gradient, supported by a strong Atlantic high-pressure system to the northeast and a deepening low-pressure system across the southeastern United States. The combination of these two features is generating fresh to locally strong winds and moderate to rough seas, with occasional wind gusts reaching near gale force, particularly across the northern and southern extremes of the archipelago. Meanwhile, low-level moisture along the western periphery of the high-pressure ridge is contributing to the development of isolated fast-moving showers across the island chain.</p> <p>Outlook: A cold front, accompanied by scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms, is expected to enter the Northern islands on Monday. The front will quickly move through the island chain and reach the Southeastern islands by Tuesday. High pressure will build across the archipelago by mid-week, contributing once again to more stable weather conditions. Lingering swell conditions will plague the Atlantic exposures of the island chain by late Tuesday, gradually subsiding towards the end of the work week.</p>

NORTHERN BAHAMAS (INCLUDING GRAND BAHAMA, ABACO, BIMINI & ADJACENT WATERS):	
ADVISORY:	<i>Small craft advisory for ALL area waters. Small craft operators are urged TO seek safe harbor and remain in port. Near Gale Warning possible by NOON.</i>
WINDS:	Southeast to south at 15 – 20 knots with occasional higher gusts, increasing 15 to 25 knots with occasional gusts to near gale force by nightfall.
LOCAL SEAS:	3 – 5 feet nearshore and among sheltered areas, building up to 7 feet in offshore and Atlantic waters.
GULF STREAM:	4 – 6 feet, building 5 to 8 feet by evening; moderate to large southeast to south swell.
SWELLS:	Moderate mixed swell on Atlantic waters.
WEATHER:	10 - 20% chance of an isolated shower or two this morning, increasing to a 20 – 30% chance by late evening through tonight.

NORTHWEST BAHAMAS (INCLUDING NEW PROVIDENCE, ANDROS, THE BERRY ISLANDS, ELEUTHERA & ADJACENT WATERS):	
ADVISORY:	<i>Small craft advisory for ALL area waters. Small craft operators are urged not to venture far from port.</i>
WINDS:	Southeasterly at 15 – 20 knots with occasional higher gusts.
LOCAL SEAS:	3 – 5 feet nearshore and among sheltered areas, building up to 7 feet in offshore and Atlantic waters.
SWELLS:	Moderate mixed swell on Atlantic waters.
WEATHER:	20% chance of isolated showers today through tonight.

CENTRAL BAHAMAS (INCLUDING EXUMA, CAT ISLAND, LONG ISLAND, SAN SALVADOR, RUM CAY & ADJACENT WATERS):	
ADVISORY:	<i>Small craft advisory for ALL area waters. Small craft operators are urged to remain in port.</i>
WINDS:	East to southeast at 15 to 20 knots with occasional higher gusts.
LOCAL SEAS:	3 – 5 feet nearshore and among sheltered areas, building up to 7 feet in offshore and Atlantic waters.
SWELLS:	Moderate mixed swell on Atlantic waters.
WEATHER:	10 - 20% chance of few isolated showers.



SOUTHEAST BAHAMAS (INCLUDING INAGUA, ACKLINS, CROOKED ISLAND, MAYAGUANA, RAGGED ISLAND & ADJACENT WATERS):	
ADVISORY:	<i>Near Gale Warning through NOON. Small craft advisory for ALL area waters will take effect afterwards.</i>
WINDS:	East to southeast at 15 to 25 knots with gusts to near gale force through noon, decreasing 15 to 20 knots afterwards..
LOCAL SEAS:	4 – 6 feet nearshore and among sheltered areas, building up to 9 feet in offshore and Atlantic waters.
SWELLS:	Moderate to large northeasterly swell on Atlantic waters.
WEATHER:	10 - 20% chance of few isolated showers.

MOONRISE:	MOONSET:
05:35 AM	04:28 PM

ISLAND TIDES:	NORTHERN (GRAND BAHAMA):	NORTHWEST (NEW PROVIDENCE):	CENTRAL (EXUMA):	SOUTHEAST (INAGUA):
LOW TIDE:	12:44 PM	12:42 PM	12:35 PM	1:04 PM
HIGH TIDE:	6:23 AM	6:14 AM	6:16 AM	6:30 AM

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

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR MONDAY 16 TH , FEBRUARY 2026.	
ADVISORY:	<i>Small craft advisory for ALL area waters.</i> Near Gale Warning possible for the Northern Bahamas.
WINDS:	Northern and Northwest Bahamas: South to southwest, shifting west to northwest at 15 to 25 knots. Central and Southeast Bahamas: Southeast to south at 15 knots, shifting west to northwest by nightfall.
SEAS:	Northern Bahamas: 3 – 5 feet nearshore and among sheltered areas, building up to 8 feet in offshore and Atlantic waters. Elsewhere: 2 – 4 feet nearshore and among sheltered areas, building up to 6 feet in offshore and Atlantic waters.
WEATHER:	Northern and Northwest Bahamas: 20 – 40% chance of widely scattered showers with isolated thunderstorms. Central and Southeast Bahamas: 10 – 20% chance of showers.

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR TUESDAY 17 TH FEBRUARY, 2026:	
ADVISORY:	Small craft advisory for Northern & Northwest Bahamas.
WINDS:	Northern and Northwest Bahamas: Northeast to east at 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts. Central & Southeast Bahamas: North to northeast at 10 to 15 knots.
SEAS:	Northern Bahamas: 3 – 5 feet nearshore and among sheltered areas, building up to 6 - 8 feet in offshore and Atlantic waters. Elsewhere: 3 feet or less nearshore and among sheltered areas, building up to 5 feet in offshore and Atlantic waters.
WEATHER:	All areas: 10 – 20% chance of showers.

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