



## 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, Thursday, April 9, 2026. THE NEXT SCHEDULED FORECAST WILL BE ISSUED AT 12:00 P.M. EDT.

<b>WARNINGS:</b>	<p><b><i>A Near-gale warning (28-33 knots)</i></b> is in effect for the <u>Northern Bahamas as well as portions of the Northwest Bahamas (Northern Andros, Berry Islands, Northern Eleuthera)</u> . <i>Occasional gusts to near-gale force are likely across the Northern Bahamas as well portions of the Northwest Bahamas through 12pm Saturday. Boaters, especially small craft, are urged to seek safe harbour and remain in port.</i></p> <p><b><i>A Severe Weather Watch</i></b> remains in effect for the portions of the Northern and Northwest Bahamas (Grand Bahama, Abaco) as well as portions of the Northwest Bahamas (Berry Islands, Northern Andros, New Providence, and Eleuthera) along with their adjacent waters and cays. The public is urged to remain updated on all severe weather warnings issued by the Bahamas Department of Meteorology.</p> <p><b><i>Rip Currents:</i></b> There is a <b>high</b> risk of rip currents for all Atlantic coastal waters and Passages across the whole island chain. Swimmers are advised to refrain from entering these waters.</p>
<b>GENERAL SITUATION:</b>	<p>An area of low pressure along the western flank of the island chain, together with a weakening frontal boundary and associated troughing, will keep weather across the Northern and Northwest Bahamas unsettled throughout most of the day, with conditions beginning to improve tonight as the low gradually shifts to the east into the Atlantic.</p> <p>Meanwhile, troughing across the Central and Southeast Bahamas will also support some isolated showers and thunderstorms, though activity across those areas will remain less widespread than across the Northern Islands. Winds are expected to remain fresh to strong with near gale-force gusts across the Northern Bahamas and portions of the Northwest Bahamas, while remaining light to gentle across the Central and Southeastern islands.</p> <p><b><i>Outlook:</i></b> By Friday, the frontal boundary will continue to weaken as it drifts into the Central Bahamas, leading to an uptick in showers across those islands, eventually reaching the Southeast Bahamas on Saturday. Following its passage, high pressure will build in its wake, leading to more stable conditions and fresh to strong breezes with near gale gusts across most of the island chain through the weekend and into early next week.</p>

<b>NORTHERN BAHAMAS</b> (INCLUDING GRAND BAHAMA, ABACO, BIMINI & ADJACENT WATERS):	
<b>ADVISORY:</b>	<b><i>A Near gale warning is in effect. Boaters, especially small craft, are urged to seek safe harbour and remain in port.</i></b>
<b>WINDS:</b>	Northeast to east at 20 to 25 knots with <b><i>gusts to near gale force</i></b> through tonight.
<b>LOCAL SEAS:</b>	3 to 5 feet nearshore waters, 6 to 8 feet offshore sheltered waters, and 9 to 13 feet in Atlantic exposed waters
<b>GULF STREAM:</b>	Seas 9 to 12 feet, occasionally to 15 feet.
<b>SWELLS:</b>	Large north to northeasterly swells over Atlantic-exposed waters
<b>WEATHER:</b>	50 to 70% chance of scattered showers with isolated thunderstorms through this evening, decreasing to 30 to 40% overnight.



<b>NORTHWEST BAHAMAS</b> (INCLUDING NEW PROVIDENCE, ANDROS, THE BERRY ISLANDS, ELEUTHERA & ADJACENT WATERS):	
<b>ADVISORY:</b>	<p><i><b>A Near Gale</b> warning is in effect for the portions of the Northwest Bahamas (Northern Andros, Berry Islands, Northern Eleuthera)</i></p> <p><i><b>A small craft advisory</b> is in effect for offshore sheltered and Atlantic-exposed waters. Boaters, especially small craft, are urged to seek safe harbour and remain in port.</i></p>
<b>WINDS:</b>	East-northeast to east-southeast at 15 knots this morning, becoming northeast to east at 15 to 20 knots by the afternoon hours across the northern islands of the Northwest Bahamas (Northern Andros, Berry Islands, Northern Eleuthera) and variable at 10 knots or less across the remaining areas) and Northeasterly at 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts across all areas by the evening hours
<b>LOCAL SEAS:</b>	2 to 4 feet nearshore waters, 5 to 7 feet offshore sheltered waters and Providence channel, and 8 to 12 feet in Atlantic exposed waters.
<b>SWELLS:</b>	Large north to northeasterly swells over Atlantic-exposed waters.
<b>WEATHER:</b>	40 to 60% chance of widely scattered showers with isolated thunderstorms through late afternoon, decreasing to 20 to 30% by this evening,

<b>CENTRAL BAHAMAS</b> (INCLUDING EXUMA, CAT ISLAND, LONG ISLAND, SAN SALVADOR, RUM CAY & ADJACENT WATERS):	
<b>ADVISORY:</b>	<p><i><b>A small craft advisory</b> in effect for Atlantic-exposed waters, while a small craft caution is in effect for sheltered waters. Boaters, especially small craft, remain in port along Atlantic exposures and not venture far from port elsewhere</i></p>
<b>WINDS:</b>	Easterly at 10 knots or less through the afternoon hours, becoming northeasterly at 10 to 15 knots by the evening hours.
<b>LOCAL SEAS:</b>	2 to 4 feet in nearshore waters, 4 to 6 feet offshore sheltered waters, and 6 to 9 feet in Atlantic exposed waters.
<b>SWELLS:</b>	Insert text data here, in this format.
<b>WEATHER:</b>	20% chance of showers and isolated thunderstorms through tonight.

<b>SOUTHEAST BAHAMAS</b> (INCLUDING INAGUA, ACKLINS, CROOKED ISLAND, MAYAGUANA, RAGGED ISLAND & ADJACENT WATERS):	
<b>ADVISORY:</b>	<p><i><b>A small craft advisory</b> in effect for Atlantic-exposed waters, while a small craft caution is in effect for sheltered waters. Boaters, especially small craft, remain in port along Atlantic exposures and not venture far from port elsewhere</i></p>
<b>WINDS:</b>	East to southeast at 10 knots or less, becoming variable at less than 10 knots by the evening hours.
<b>LOCAL SEAS:</b>	2 to 4 feet in nearshore waters, 4 to 6 feet offshore sheltered waters, and 6 to 8 feet in Atlantic exposed waters.
<b>SWELLS:</b>	Moderate to large northeast to easterly swells over Atlantic-exposed waters.
<b>WEATHER:</b>	20% chance of an isolated shower or two through tonight.

<b>MOONSET:</b>	<b>MOONRISE:</b>
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ISLAND TIDES:	NORTHERN (GRAND BAHAMA):	NORTHWEST (NEW PROVIDENCE):	CENTRAL (EXUMA):	SOUTHEAST (INAGUA):
<b>LOW TIDE:</b>	08:01 A.M.	07:59 A.M.	07:52 A.M.	08:21 A.M.
<b>HIGH TIDE:</b>	01:52 P.M.	01:43 P.M.	01:45 P.M.	01:59 P.M.

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

**EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR FRIDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2026.**

<b>ADVISORY:</b>	<i><b>A Near Gale Warning (28 to 33 knots) remains in effect for the Northern and Northwest Bahamas.</b></i> <i>A small craft advisory is in effect for Atlantic-exposed waters, while a small craft caution remains in effect for sheltered waters across the Central and Southeast Bahamas.</i> <i>Mariners, especially small craft operators in the Northern and Northwest Bahamas are urged to remain in port. Operators in the Central and Southeast Bahamas should not venture far from port.</i>
<b>WINDS:</b>	<i><b>Northern Bahamas:</b></i> Northeast to east at 20 to 25 knots with possible gusts to near gale <i><b>Northwest Bahamas:</b></i> Northeast to east at 20 to 25 knots with possible gusts to near gale (mainly across the northern islands of the Northwest Bahamas) during the morning hours, with winds Northeasterly at 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts across the other areas. <i><b>Central Bahamas:</b></i> Northeasterly at 10 to 15 knots, increasing 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts by nightfall. <i><b>Southeast Bahamas:</b></i> East to southeast at 10 knots or less ahead of the front, shifting northeasterly at 15 knots with higher gusts behind the front. Expect winds to become light and variable at times in the vicinity of the front.
<b>SEAS:</b>	<i><b>Northern &amp; Northwest Bahamas:</b></i> 3 to 5 feet nearshore waters, 5 to 7 feet offshore sheltered waters, and 8 to 11 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters. <i><b>Central &amp; Southeast Bahamas:</b></i> 3 feet or less nearshore waters, 4 to 6 feet offshore sheltered waters, and 6 to 8 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters.
<b>WEATHER:</b>	<i><b>Northern Bahamas:</b></i> 10 to 20% chance of shower <i><b>Northwest Bahamas:</b></i> 20 to 30% chance of showers. <i><b>Central and Southeast Bahamas:</b></i> 10 to 30% chance during the morning hours increasing to 20 to 40% chance by late evening.

**EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR SATURDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2026.**

<b>ADVISORY:</b>	<i><b>A Near Gale Warning (28 to 33 knots) will be in effect for the Northern, Northwest and Central Bahamas.</b></i> <i>A small craft advisory will be in effect for Atlantic-exposed waters, while a small craft caution will be in effect for sheltered waters across the Southeast Bahamas.</i> <i>Mariners, especially small craft operators across all area waters, are urged to remain in port.</i>
<b>WINDS:</b>	<i><b>Southeast Bahamas:</b></i> Northeasterly at 15 knots, increasing 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts by the evening hours. <i><b>Elsewhere:</b></i> Northeasterly at 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts, increasing 20 to 25 knots with <i><b>potential gusts to near gale-force</b></i> (mainly across the Northwest and Central Bahamas) by the afternoon hours.
<b>SEAS:</b>	<i><b>Northern, Northwest &amp; Central Bahamas:</b></i> 3 feet or less nearshore waters, 4 to 6 feet offshore sheltered waters, and 6 to 9 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters. <i><b>Southeast Bahamas:</b></i> 3 feet or less nearshore waters, 4 to 6 feet offshore sheltered waters, and 5 to 7 feet, subsiding to 4 to 6 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters Saturday night.
<b>WEATHER:</b>	<i><b>Southeast Bahamas:</b></i> 20 to 30% chance of showers or an isolated thunderstorm. <i><b>Elsewhere:</b></i> 10 to 20% chance of showers.

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