



BAHAMAS MARINE FORECAST

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

WARNINGS:

Severe Thunderstorm Risk: There is a *slight* to *moderate* risk for a few isolated strong to severe thunderstorms across all areas during the afternoon and evening hours. These storms could produce strong gusty winds, frequent lightning, heavy downpours, and waterspout activity. *Mariners should remain vigilant, stay updated on all severe weather warnings issued by the Bahamas Department of Meteorology, and be prepared to seek safe harbour should conditions worsen.*

Rip Currents: There is a *slight* risk of rip currents across all Atlantic-exposed waters. *Beachgoers and swimmers are advised to exercise caution when entering the water.*

Seas will remain generally slight as the wind regime stays weak across the area through tonight. Abundant low-level moisture interacting with troughing associated with a mid- to upper-level low centered near Jamaica will support widespread shallow showers and occasional thunderstorms across all areas. As a result, locally choppy to rough conditions may develop near showers and thunderstorms, where stronger gusts and abrupt wind shifts are possible. A stationary front meandering over Central Florida will maintain slight instability, allowing locally heavier showers and thunderstorms to persist despite the otherwise weak winds.

GENERAL SITUATION:

Marine Outlook: Seas will generally remain slight to moderate through mid-week, although conditions may become locally rough in and around showers and thunderstorms. Expect slightly higher seas in waters of the Northern Bahamas due to northerly swells from the front. Moisture trapped south of the boundary will support periods of showers and thunderstorms, with locally higher winds, gusty conditions, and choppy seas possible near heavier activity. Pre-frontal troughing will keep shower and thunderstorm activity slightly elevated across the northernmost islands, with conditions becoming more unsettled by early Friday, as pulses of moisture associated with a tropical wave pass south of the Bahamas.

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

- ADVISORY: *No advisory for seas. Expect gusty winds and higher seas in or near heavy showers and thunderstorms.*
- WINDS: Southeast to south at 10 knots or less, falling light and variable at times.
- LOCAL SEAS: 2 feet or less in nearshore and offshore sheltered waters as well as the Gulf Stream, and 3 feet or less in Atlantic-exposed waters.
- SWELLS: Slight easterly swells over Atlantic-exposed waters.
- WEATHER: 20 – 40% chance of showers with thunderstorms.

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

- ADVISORY: *No advisory for seas. Expect gusty winds and higher seas in or near heavy showers and thunderstorms.*
- WINDS: East-southeast to south-southeast at 10 knots or less, falling light and variable at times.
- LOCAL SEAS: 2 feet or less in nearshore and offshore sheltered waters, and 3 feet or less in Atlantic-exposed waters.
- SWELLS: Slight easterly swells over Atlantic-exposed waters.
- WEATHER: 20 – 40% chance of showers with thunderstorms.



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

ADVISORY: No advisory for seas. Expect gusty winds and higher seas in or near heavy showers and thunderstorms.

WINDS: East to southeast at 10 knots or less, falling light and variable at times.

LOCAL SEAS: 2 feet or less in nearshore and offshore sheltered waters, and 3 feet or less in Atlantic-exposed waters.

SWELLS: Slight northeast to easterly swells over Atlantic-exposed waters.

WEATHER: 20 – 40% chance of showers with thunderstorms.

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

ADVISORY: No advisory for seas. Expect gusty winds and higher seas in or near heavy showers and thunderstorms.

WINDS: East to southeast at 10 knots or less, falling light and variable at times.

LOCAL SEAS: 2 feet or less in nearshore and offshore sheltered waters, and 3 feet or less in Atlantic-exposed waters.

SWELLS: Slight northeast to easterly swells over Atlantic-exposed waters.

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

MOONSET: 4:26 PM

MOONRISE: 4:06 AM WED

ISLAND TIDES:	NORTHERN (GRAND BAHAMA):	NORTHWEST (NEW PROVIDENCE):	CENTRAL (EXUMA):	SOUTHEAST (INAGUA):
LOW TIDE:	11:00 A.M.	10:58 A.M.	10:51 A.M.	11:20 A.M.
HIGH TIDE:	5:18 P.M.	5:16 P.M.	5:09 P.M.	5:38 P.M.

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

TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK: Southwestern Gulf of Mexico (AL92): A rough of low pressure over the southwestern Gulf of Mexico has a **high**, or 80 percent chance of tropical cyclone development through the next 48 hours and during the next seven days. A tropical depression is likely to form within the next couple of days, as the system drifts east-northeastward.

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR WEDNESDAY 7TH OCTOBER 2026:

ADVISORY: A **small craft caution** is in effect for the Gulf Stream and Atlantic-exposed waters across the Northern Bahamas. Expect gusty winds, higher seas and reduced visibility in or near heavy showers and thunderstorms.

WINDS: Northern Bahamas: South to southwest at 10 knots or less.
Northwest and Central Bahamas: Southeast to south at 10 knots or less.
Southeast Bahamas: Southeast to south at 10 knots, shifting east to southeast at 10 to 15 knots by nightfall.

SEAS: Northern Bahamas: 2 feet or less in nearshore waters, 2 to 4 feet in offshore sheltered waters, and 3 to 5 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters.
Northwest Bahamas: 2 feet or less in nearshore and offshore sheltered waters, and 2 to 4 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters.
Central & Southeast Bahamas: 2 feet or less in nearshore and offshore sheltered waters, and 3 feet or less in Atlantic-exposed waters.
Gulf Stream: Seas 3 to 5 feet, occasionally to 6 feet.

WEATHER: Northern and Northwest Bahamas: 20 – 40% chance of showers with thunderstorms.
Central and Southeast Bahamas: 10 – 30% chance of showers.



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EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR THURSDAY 8TH OCTOBER 2026:

ADVISORY: A *small craft caution* is in effect for the **Gulf Stream and Atlantic-exposed waters across the Northern Bahamas. Expect gusty winds, higher seas and reduced visibility in or near heavy showers and thunderstorms.**

WINDS: **Northern and Northwest Bahamas:** South to southwest at 10 knots or less.
Central Bahamas: East to southeast at 10 knots, increasing 10 to 15 knots at night.
Southeast Bahamas: East to southeast Bahamas at 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts.
Northern Bahamas: 2 feet or less in nearshore waters, 2 to 4 feet in offshore sheltered waters, and 3 to 5 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters.

SEAS: **Northwest, Central and Southeast Bahamas:** 2 feet or less in nearshore and offshore sheltered waters, and 2 to 4 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters.
Gulf Stream: Seas 3 to 5 feet, occasionally to 6 feet.

WEATHER: **All areas:** 20 – 40% chance of showers with possible thunderstorms.

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