



BAHAMAS MARINE FORECAST

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

*A **Heat Advisory** remains in effect for the Central & Southeast Bahamas as well as the Turks and Caicos Islands.*

WARNINGS:

Severe Thunderstorm Risk: There is a **slight** to **moderate** risk for a few isolated strong to severe thunderstorms across portions of the Northern & Northwest Bahamas this afternoon. These storms can produce strong gusty winds, frequent lightning, heavy downpours, and waterspout activity. *Mariners are urged to remain updated on all severe weather warnings issued by the Bahamas Department of Meteorology, and should prepare to seek safe harbour once conditions worsen.*

Rip Currents: There is a **slight** to **moderate** risk of rip currents impacting the eastern shorelines of the Southeast Bahamas. *Beachgoers and swimmers are advised to exercise caution.*

GENERAL SITUATION:

Mid-level troughing near the Northern islands will help to draw tropical moisture across the area, supporting cloudy periods along with isolated showers and thunderstorms across the Northern & Northwest Bahamas today. Elsewhere, a ridge of high pressure dominates contributing to more stable weather despite a few spotty afternoon showers, mainly across the Central Bahamas. Moderate to locally fresh breezes with moderate seas prevail across the Central and Southeast Bahamas, while gentle to moderate winds and slight to moderate seas continue across the Northern and Northwest Bahamas.

Outlook: The aforementioned trough and associated moisture are expected to linger across the area, maintaining an elevated chance of showers and thunderstorms across the archipelago through the end of the workweek and possibly into the weekend, particularly across the northern half of the country. Boating conditions are expected to remain generally favorable, with winds ranging from moderate to locally fresh and seas remaining slight to moderate.

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

ADVISORY: None.
WINDS: Southeasterly at 10 to 15 knots, falling light and variable at times.
LOCAL SEAS: 3 feet or less nearshore building up to 4 feet in Atlantic waters.
GULF STREAM: South-southeast to south-southwest at 10 knots or less.
SWELLS: No significant swell activity.
WEATHER: 20 - 40% chance of widely scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms.

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

ADVISORY: None.
WINDS: East to southeast at 10 to 15 knots.
LOCAL SEAS: 2 – 4 feet over the ocean.
SWELLS: No significant swell activity.
WEATHER: 30 - 40% chance of widely scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms.

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

ADVISORY: Small craft caution for Atlantic exposed waters.
WINDS: East-southeast at 15 knots.
LOCAL SEAS: 2 – 4 feet nearshore, building up to 5 feet in offshore waters and Atlantic waters.
SWELLS: No significant swell activity.
WEATHER: 10 – 20 % chance of isolated showers or thunderstorms.



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

ADVISORY: *Small craft caution.*
WINDS: East-southeast at 15 to 20 knots.
LOCAL SEAS: 3 – 5 feet over the ocean.
SWELLS: Light to moderate east to southeasterly swell on Atlantic exposed waters.
WEATHER: 10 – 20 % chance of isolated showers.

MOONRISE:	MOONSET:
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ISLAND TIDES:	NORTHERN (GRAND BAHAMA):	NORTHWEST (NEW PROVIDENCE):	CENTRAL (EXUMA):	SOUTHEAST (INAGUA):
HIGH TIDE:	7:45 A.M.	7:15 AM	7:08 AM	7:37 A.M.
LOW TIDE:	1:44 P.M.	1:20 PM	1:22 P.M.	1:36 P.M.

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

TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK:

There is currently one area of interest being monitored for development:

Eastern Tropical Atlantic (AL96): An area of low pressure associated with a tropical wave, located a few hundred miles south-southwest of the Cabo Verde Islands, is producing showers and thunderstorms that are displaced to the southwest of its center. Environmental conditions remain somewhat favorable for development over the next couple of days, and a tropical depression is likely to form over the next day or two as the system moves westward to west-northwestward across the eastern and central tropical Atlantic. **Formation chance through 7 days...high...70 percent.**

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR THURSDAY 27TH AUGUST, 2026:

ADVISORY: Small craft caution for Atlantic exposed waters of the Central and Southeast Bahamas.

WINDS: **Northern & Northwest Bahamas:** East to southeast at 10 knots with slightly higher gusts at times across portions of the Northwest Bahamas.
Central & Southeast Bahamas: Easterly at 15 to 20 knots.

SEAS: **Southeast Bahamas:** 2 – 4 feet nearshore, building up to 5 - 6 feet in offshore and Atlantic waters.
Elsewhere: 3 feet or less nearshore, building up to 4 feet in offshore waters.

WEATHER: **All Areas:** 30 - 50% chance of showers with thunderstorms.

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR FRIDAY 28TH AUGUST, 2026:

ADVISORY: Small craft caution for Atlantic exposed waters of the Central and Southeast Bahamas.

WINDS: **Northern & Northwest Bahamas:** East to southeast at 10 to 15 knots.
Central Bahamas: Easterly at 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts.
Southeast Bahamas: Easterly at 15 knots with higher gusts.

SEAS: **Southeast Bahamas:** 2 – 4 feet nearshore, building up to 5 - 6 feet in offshore and Atlantic waters.
Elsewhere: 3 feet or less nearshore, building up to 4 -5 feet in offshore and Atlantic waters.

WEATHER: **All Areas:** 30 - 40% chance of showers with thunderstorms.





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