



BAHAMAS MARINE FORECAST

MARINE FORECASTS FOR THE BAHAMAS ISSUED BY THE BAHAMAS DEPARTMENT OF METEOROLOGY AT 6:00 P.M. EST WEDNESDAY, 21ST OCTOBER 2026, FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS. THE NEXT SCHEDULED FORECASTS WILL BE ISSUED AT 6:00 A.M. EST TOMORROW.

Large swells will persist on the waters of the Northern, Northwest and Central Bahamas, as well as the Atlantic waters in the Southeast Bahamas through Saturday. *Mariners, especially small craft operators, are advised to remain in port until marine conditions improve. Swimmers are advised to remain on shore until further notice.*

WARNINGS:

Rip Currents: There is a *moderate to high risk* of dangerous rip currents across ALL waters of the Northern and Northwest Bahamas. A *slight to moderate risk* exists elsewhere. *Beachgoers in the Northern and Northwest Bahamas should continue to exercise extreme caution and should refrain from entering the waters.*

GENERAL SITUATION:

Hazardous marine conditions continue to plague waters of the archipelago. A weakening frontal boundary coupled with a weak surface trough across the Central and Southeast Bahamas will keep shower chances elevated over those islands. Meanwhile, drier air over the Northern Bahamas is maintaining relatively stable conditions for the area. Brisk breezes are expected to persist mainly across the Northern and Northwest Bahamas. By the weekend, a surge of moisture is expected to increase thunderstorm activity. Winds are also expected to strengthen to gale force over the Northern and Northwest Bahamas. Mariners can expect hazardous boating conditions to persist until next week.

NORTHERN BAHAMAS

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

ADVISORY: There is a *small craft advisory* in effect for Atlantic waters and the Gulf Stream.
WINDS: North to northeast at 10 to 15 knots through tomorrow.
LOCAL SEAS: 2 to 4 feet in nearshore and open waters and 5 to 8 feet in Atlantic waters through tomorrow.
GULF STREAM: 6 to 9 feet through tomorrow.
SWELLS: Large northerly swells in Atlantic waters through tomorrow.
WEATHER: Slight chance of isolated showers through tomorrow.

NORTHWEST BAHAMAS

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

ADVISORY: There is a *small craft advisory* in effect for Atlantic waters.
There is a *small craft caution* in effect for open waters.
WINDS: North to northeast at 10 to 15 knots through tomorrow.
LOCAL SEAS: 2 to 4 feet in nearshore and open waters, 4 to 6 feet in the Northeast Providence Channel, 5 to 8 feet in Atlantic waters through tomorrow.
SWELLS: Large northerly swells in Atlantic waters through tomorrow.
WEATHER: Slight chance of isolated showers through tomorrow.

CENTRAL BAHAMAS

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

ADVISORY: There is a *small craft advisory* in effect for Atlantic waters.
There is a *small craft caution* in effect for open waters.
WINDS: Variable at 10 knots or less.
LOCAL SEAS: 3 feet or less in nearshore and sheltered waters, 3 to 5 feet in open waters, 5 to 7 feet in Atlantic waters through tomorrow.
SWELLS: Large northerly swells in Atlantic waters through tomorrow.
WEATHER: Slight chance of isolated showers through tomorrow.

SOUTHEAST BAHAMAS

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

ADVISORY: There is a *small craft advisory* in effect for Atlantic waters.
There is a *small craft caution* in effect for open waters.
WINDS: Variable at 10 knots or less.
LOCAL SEAS: 3 feet or less in nearshore and sheltered waters, 3 to 5 feet in open waters, 5 to 7 feet in Atlantic waters through tomorrow.
SWELLS: Large northerly swells in Atlantic waters through tomorrow.
WEATHER: Slight chance of isolated showers through tomorrow.



MOONSET:	MOONRISE:
3:37AM THU	4:21PM THU
MOON PHASE FIRST QUARTER	
FULL MOON- 26 TH OCTOBER 2026	

ISLAND TIDES:	NORTHERN (GRAND BAHAMA):	NORTHWEST (NEW PROVIDENCE):	CENTRAL (EXUMA):	SOUTHEAST (INAGUA):
LOW TIDE:	11:44 PM	11:14 PM	11:07 PM	11:36 PM
HIGH TIDE:	5:45 AM THU	5:21 AM THU	5:23 AM THU	5:37 AM THU

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

TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK:
1. Offshore of the East Coast of the United States (AL93): Updated: Shower and thunderstorm activity has become better organized in association with a storm-force low pressure area located a few hundred miles off the mid-Atlantic United States coast. <i>Formation chance through 48 hours is high at 70 percent.</i>
2. Subtropical Central Atlantic: A trough of low pressure located several hundred miles east-southeast of Bermuda is producing a large area of disorganized showers and thunderstorms. <i>Formation chance through 48 hours is low at 10 percent.</i>

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR FRIDAY, 23RD OCTOBER 2026:

ADVISORY:	There is a small craft advisory in effect for all Atlantic waters.
WINDS:	Northern and Northwest Bahamas: Northeasterly at 15 to 20 knots. Central Bahamas: Northeast to east at 10 knots or less, falling light and variable at times. Southeast Bahamas: East to southeast at 10 to 15 knots, falling light and variable at times.
SEAS:	All areas: 3 feet or less in nearshores sheltered waters, 3 to 5 feet in open waters, 5 to 7 feet in Atlantic waters.
PRECIPITATION:	Northern and Northwest Bahamas: Slight chance of showers with possible thunderstorms. Central and Southeast Bahamas: Chance of showers with thunderstorms.

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR SATURDAY, 24TH OCTOBER 2026:

ADVISORY:	There is a small craft advisory in effect for all Atlantic waters. There is a small craft caution in effect for open waters of the Northern Bahamas.
WINDS:	Northern Bahamas: Northeasterly at 15 to 20 knots, increasing 15 to 25 knots by nightfall. Northwest and Central Bahamas: Northeast to east at 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts. Southeast Bahamas: Southeast to south at 10 to 15 knots, falling light and variable at times.
SEAS:	Northern Bahamas: 2 to 4 feet in nearshore waters, 4 to 6 feet in open waters, 7 to 10 feet in Atlantic waters and the Gulf Stream. Elsewhere: 2 to 4 feet in nearshore and open waters, 5 to 7 feet in Atlantic waters.
PRECIPITATION:	Northern and Northwest Bahamas: Chance of showers with possible thunderstorms. Central and Southeast Bahamas: Showers with thunderstorms.

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