



BAHAMAS MARINE FORECAST

MARINE FORECASTS FOR THE BAHAMAS ISSUED BY THE BAHAMAS DEPARTMENT OF METEOROLOGY AT 06:00 P.M. EDT, **THURSDAY, 03RD JULY 2025**, FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS. THE NEXT SCHEDULED FORECASTS WILL BE ISSUED AT 06:00 A.M. EDT TOMORROW.

WARNINGS:

An **area of low pressure** is forecast to form off the east coast of northern Florida/southeast Georgia Friday or Saturday. While the area of low pressure is not expected to directly impact the Northern Bahamas, it could potentially support **strong breeze to near gale** wind gusts in the Atlantic waters north of Grand Bahama and Abaco, as well as the Gulf Stream waters late Friday through early Sunday. Therefore, mariners and boaters are strongly urged not to venture far from the port beginning Friday evening.

There is a **slight** threat of **isolated strong** to possibly **severe thunderstorms** across area waters (especially in the Northern Bahamas). These storms can produce strong gusty winds, heavy downpours, frequent lightning and possible waterspout activity; therefore, mariners and boaters are strongly urged to remain vigilant and prepare to seek a safe harbour.

There is a **high risk** of **rip currents** along the south and east-facing coastal waters in the **Southeast Bahamas**; therefore, beachgoers and sea bathers are urged to exercise extreme caution. A **moderate** risk of **rip currents** remains in place for east and south coastal waters in all remaining islands; therefore, sea bathers and beachgoers should exercise caution.

GENERAL SITUATION:

A stubborn mid-level trough resting between the Northern Bahamas and the east coast of Florida, coupled with an abundance of warm tropical moisture, supports showers and thunderstorms across area waters, **particularly in the Northern Bahamas**. Meanwhile, a weakening ridge of high pressure shifts farther east into the southwest Atlantic, allowing **an area of low pressure to possibly develop along the southeast coast of the US**. Hazardous marine conditions are possible in the Northern Bahamas beginning Friday night. Mostly favourable marine conditions elsewhere for the weekend. An upper-level trough near the Southeast Bahamas enhances the chance of showers and thunderstorms tonight and Friday.

NORTHERN BAHAMAS

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

ADVISORY:

Gusty winds, higher seas, and reduced visibility are likely to be near or in thunderstorms and heavy showers. A **small craft caution** comes into effect at 12 midnight on Friday night.

WINDS:

South to southwest 10 to 15 knots and a bit gusty in Atlantic-exposed waters tonight through midnight Friday; south to southwest 15 to 20 knots after midnight Friday and quite gusty.

LOCAL SEAS:

2 feet or less in near-shore sheltered waters, 2 to 4 feet in offshore sheltered waters, and 3 to 5 feet in Atlantic exposed waters. Seas build across ALL local waters on Friday night.

GULF STREAM:

Around 2 feet

SWELLS:

Slight east to southeast swell

WEATHER:

There is a **medium** chance (**50%-60%**) of scattered showers and widely scattered thunderstorms

NORTHWEST BAHAMAS

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

ADVISORY:

Gusty winds, higher seas, and reduced visibility are likely to be near or in thunderstorms and heavy showers.

WINDS:

Southeast to south, 10 to 15 knots tonight; Southerly, 10 to 15 knots on Friday

LOCAL SEAS:

2 feet or less in near-shore sheltered waters, 2 to 4 feet in offshore sheltered waters, and 3 to 5 feet in Atlantic exposed waters.

SWELLS:

Slight east to southeast swell (Northern, Northwest and Central Atlantic waters)

WEATHER:

There is a **medium** chance (**40%-50%**) of widely scattered showers and thunderstorms

CENTRAL BAHAMAS

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

ADVISORY:

Gusty winds, higher seas, and reduced visibility are likely to be near or in thunderstorms and heavy showers.

WINDS:

Southeasterly, 10 to 15 knots tonight and gusty in Atlantic waters; southerly, 10 to 15 knots Friday and remaining gusty in Atlantic waters; southeast to south 10 to 15 knots at night.

LOCAL SEAS:

1 to 3 feet in near-shore sheltered waters, 3 to 5 feet in offshore sheltered and Atlantic-exposed waters.

SWELLS:

Slight east to southeast swell

WEATHER:

A **low** to **medium** chance (**30%-40%**) of widely scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms

SOUTHEAST BAHAMAS

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

ADVISORY:

A **small craft caution** continues for Atlantic exposed waters tonight. During thunderstorms or heavy showers, gusty winds, higher seas and reduced visibility are possible.



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WINDS: East to southeast 15 knots tonight, but gusty in Atlantic waters; southeast 15 knots Friday and east to southeast 15 knots at night

LOCAL SEAS: 2 to 3 feet in near-shore sheltered waters, 3 to 5 feet in offshore sheltered waters, and 4 to 6 feet in Atlantic exposed waters tonight, decreasing to 3 to 5 feet on Friday.

SWELLS: No significant swell

WEATHER: A **low** to **medium** chance (**30%-40%**) of widely scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms

MOONSET:	MOONRISE
01:33 AM Fri.	02:54 P.M. Fri.
MOON PHASE First Quarter	
Full Moon 10 JULY @ 04:36 P.M.	

ISLAND TIDES:	NORTHERN (GRAND BAHAMA):	NORTHWEST (NEW PROVIDENCE):	CENTRAL (EXUMA):	SOUTHEAST (INAGUA):
LOW TIDE:	11:00 P.M.	10:30 P.M.	10:23 P.M.	10:52 P.M.
HIGH TIDE:	04:35 A.M. Fri.	04:11 A.M. Fri.	04:13 A.M. Fri.	04:27 A.M. Fri.

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

TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK:

Friday or Saturday, an area of low pressure is forecast to develop just off the southeast US coast (near the Florida/Georgia border). Should this materialize, there is a **low** chance (**30%**) of formation through **two** (2) days and a **medium** chance (**60%**) of formation through **seven** (7) days as the systems drift north or northeastward. Elsewhere, **tropical cyclone formation is not expected during the next seven (7) days.**

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR SATURDAY, 05TH JULY, 2025:

ADVISORY: **Near gale** (**28-33kt**) wind gusts are possible in the Atlantic waters north of Grand Bahama and Abaco, as well as the Gulf Stream waters. A **small craft caution** is in effect for the Northern Bahamas.

WINDS: **Northern** Bahamas: South to southwest 15 to 20 knots with gusts to **near gale** possible, mainly in the Gulf Stream and Atlantic waters. **Northwest** Bahamas: South to southwest 10 to 15 knots during the day; southeast to south 10 to 15 knots at night.

SEAS: **Central** Bahamas: Southeast to south 10 knots or less, falling light and variable at times during the day; east to southeast 10 to 15 knots at night. **Southeast** Bahamas: East to southeast 10 to 15 knots during the day, increasing to 15 knots at night.

SWELLS: **Northern:** 2 to 4 feet in near-shore sheltered waters, 4 to 6 feet in offshore sheltered and Atlantic exposed waters. **Northwest, Central and Southeast** Bahamas: 2 feet or less in near-shore sheltered waters, 2 to 4 feet in offshore sheltered waters, and 3 to 5 feet in Atlantic exposed waters. Around 2 feet in the Gulf Stream.

PRECIPITATION: Slight east to southeast swell (Northern, Northwest and Central Atlantic waters)

There is a **low** to **medium** chance (**30%-40%**) of widely scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms in all waters.

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR SUNDAY, 06TH JULY 2025:

ADVISORY: Gusty winds, higher seas, and reduced visibility are likely to be near or in thunderstorms and heavy showers.

WINDS: **Northern** Bahamas: South to southwest 10 to 15 knots through midnight and southeast to south 10 knots or less after midnight. **Northwest and Central** Bahamas: Southeast to south 10 knots or less during the day; East to southeast 10 to 15 knots at night. **Southeast** Bahamas: East to southeast 15 knots during the day and a bit gusty; easterly 15 knots at night

SEAS: **Northern and Southeast** Bahamas: 1 to 3 feet in near-shore sheltered waters, 2 to 4 feet in offshore sheltered waters, and 3 to 5 feet in Atlantic exposed waters.

SWELLS: **Northwest and Central** Bahamas: 2 feet or less in near-shore sheltered waters, 2 to 4 feet in offshore sheltered Atlantic exposed waters. Around 2 feet in the Gulf Stream.

PRECIPITATION: Slight east to southeast swell (Northern, Northwest and Central Atlantic waters)

There is a **low** chance (**20%-30%**) of isolated showers and thunderstorms in all waters.

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