



BAHAMAS MARINE FORECAST

MARINE FORECASTS FOR THE BAHAMAS ISSUED BY THE BAHAMAS DEPARTMENT OF METEOROLOGY AT 12:00 P.M. EDT, **FRIDAY, 17TH OCTOBER 2025**, FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS. THE NEXT SCHEDULED FORECASTS WILL BE ISSUED AT 6:00 P.M. EDT.

WARNINGS:

Hazardous marine conditions, including moderate north to northeast swell, high surf and rough seas, are expected to persist through the weekend. Mariners, especially small craft, are encouraged NOT to enter Atlantic-exposed waters.

There is a **high** risk of rip currents for the Atlantic-exposed coastal waters; therefore, beachgoers and sea bathers are encouraged not to enter these waters. A **moderate** risk of rip currents is in place for the east coastal waters not directly exposed to the Atlantic; therefore, beachgoers and swimmers are urged to **exercise extreme** caution.

There is a **marginal** threat of flooding in low-lying east and north coastal areas during high cycles. Motorists are urged to exercise caution.

GENERAL SITUATION:

A reinforcing **backdoor** front continues to tiptoe across the Central Bahamas, reaching the Southeast Bahamas by sunset. Brisk showers are along and ahead of the frontal boundary. The boundary stalls, becoming nearly stationary across the Southeast Bahamas on Saturday before lifting northward on Sunday. Meanwhile, an expansive high pressure continues building eastward across the eastern United States/western Atlantic. The pressure gradient tightens between the departing **backdoor** front and high pressure, leading to breezy to sometimes windy conditions across the northern half of the country this afternoon through tonight, and the rest of the country tonight into early Sunday.

NORTHERN BAHAMAS

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

ADVISORY:

A **small craft advisory** is in effect for the Atlantic-exposed waters, while a **small craft caution** is in effect for local waters.

WINDS:

Northeast, 15 to 20 knots during the day; northeast to east, 10 to 15 knots in Atlantic waters and 15 knots elsewhere.

LOCAL SEAS:

2 to 4 feet in the near-shore sheltered waters, 4 to 6 feet in offshore sheltered waters, and 6 to 9 feet in Atlantic exposed waters.

GULF STREAM:

6 to 8 feet this afternoon; 5 to 7 feet tonight

SWELLS:

Moderate north to northeast swell

WEATHER:

There is a **very low** chance (**less than 10%**) of isolated passing showers

NORTHWEST BAHAMAS

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

ADVISORY:

A **small craft advisory** is in effect for the Atlantic-exposed waters, while a **small craft caution** is in effect for local waters.

WINDS:

Northeast, 15 to 20 knots this afternoon; northeast to east, 10 to 15 knots in Atlantic waters and 15 knots elsewhere.

SEAS:

2 to 4 feet in the near-shore sheltered waters, 4 to 6 feet in offshore sheltered waters, and 6 to 9 feet in Atlantic exposed waters.

SWELLS:

Moderate north to northeast swell

PRECIPITATION:

There is a **very low** chance (**less than 10%**) of isolated passing showers

CENTRAL BAHAMAS

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

ADVISORY:

A **small craft advisory** is in effect for the Atlantic-exposed waters, while a **small craft caution** is in effect for local waters.

WINDS:

Northeast, 15 to 20 knots.

LOCAL SEAS:

2 to 4 feet in the near-shore sheltered waters, 4 to 6 feet in offshore sheltered waters and 5 to 8 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters

SWELLS:

Light to moderate north to northeast swell

WEATHER:

There is a **low** chance (**15%-25%**) of isolated passing showers

SOUTHEAST BAHAMAS

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

ADVISORY:

A **small craft caution** is in effect for the Atlantic-exposed waters

WINDS:

North to northeast, 10 knots or less this afternoon; northeast to east, 10 to 15 knots tonight

LOCAL SEAS:

2 feet or less in the near-shore sheltered waters, 2 to 4 feet offshore sheltered and 4 to 6 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters.

SWELLS:

Light north to northeast swell

WEATHER:

There is a **low** chance (**15%-25%**) of isolated passing showers



MOONSET:	MOONRISE:
04:36 P.M.	04:48 A.M. Sat.
MOON PHASE Third (Last) Quarter	
New Moon 21 OCTOBER @ 08:25 A.M.	

ISLAND TIDES:	NORTHERN (GRAND BAHAMA):	NORTHWEST (NEW PROVIDENCE):	CENTRAL (EXUMA):	SOUTHEAST (INAGUA):
HIGH TIDE:	06:20 P.M.	05:56 P.M.	05:58 P.M.	06:12 P.M.
LOW TIDE:	12:47 A.M. Sat.	12:17 A.M. Sat.	12:10 A.M. Sat.	12:39 A.M. Sat.

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

TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK:

The North Atlantic hurricane season runs from 01 June to 30 November. Most of the activity tends to occur between **mid-August and mid-October**. Early preparation is key!
*A large are of showers and thunderstorms in the central tropical Atlantic are associated with tropical wave some 1000 miles east of the Windward Islands. This system is being watched for gradual development and has a **low** chance (~30%) of formation through **seven (7) days** as it moves westward.*
Tropical cyclone formation is **NOT** expected during the next **seven (7) days**.

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR SATURDAY, 18TH OCTOBER 2025:

ADVISORY:	A small craft advisory is in effect for ALL Atlantic-exposed waters. A small craft caution continues for the local waters in the Central and Southeast Bahamas.
WINDS:	Northern Bahamas: Northeast to east, 10 to 15 knots during the day; east to southeast, 10 to 15 knots at night. Northwest Bahamas: Northeast to east, 10 to 15 knots during the day; Easterly, 10 to 15 knots at night. Central Bahamas: Northeast to east, 15 to 20 knots. Southeast Bahamas: Northeast to northeast, 15 to 20 knots during the day, easterly, 15 to 20 knots at night.
SEAS:	Northern and Northwest Bahamas: 1 to 3 feet in the near-shore sheltered waters, 3 to 5 feet in offshore sheltered waters, and 6 to 9 feet in Atlantic exposed waters.
SWELLS:	Central and Southeast Bahamas: 2 to 4 feet in the near-shore sheltered waters, 4 to 6 feet in offshore sheltered waters and 6 to 8 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters. Gulf Stream : 4 to 6 feet.
PRECIPITATION:	Moderate north to northeast swell There is a low chance (20%-30%) of isolated passing showers in the Central and Southeast Bahamas and a very low chance (less than 10%) elsewhere.

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR SUNDAY, 19TH OCTOBER 2025:

ADVISORY:	A small craft advisory continues for ALL Atlantic-exposed waters. A small craft caution remains in effect for the local waters in the Central and Southeast Bahamas.
WINDS:	Northern Bahamas: East to southeast, 10 to 15 knots. Northwest Bahamas: Easterly, 10 to 15 knots during the day; east to southeast, 10 to 15 knots at night. Central and Southeast Bahamas: Easterly, 10 to 15 knots.
SEAS:	Northern and Northwest Bahamas: 2 feet or less in the near-shore sheltered waters, 3 to 5 feet in offshore sheltered waters, and 6 to 9 feet in Atlantic exposed waters.
SWELLS:	Central and Southeast Bahamas: 2 to 3 feet in the near-shore sheltered waters, 4 to 6 feet in offshore sheltered waters and 6 to 9 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters. Gulf Stream : 3 to 5 feet.
PRECIPITATION:	Moderate north to northeast swell There is a low chance (20%-30%) of isolated passing showers in the Central and Southeast Bahamas, and the Great Bahama Bank, and a very low chance (less than 10%) elsewhere.

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