



BAHAMAS MARINE FORECAST

MARINE FORECASTS FOR THE BAHAMAS ISSUED BY THE BAHAMAS DEPARTMENT OF METEOROLOGY AT 12:00 P.M. EDT MONDAY OCTOBER 19, 2026, FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS. THE NEXT SCHEDULED FORECASTS WILL BE ISSUED AT 6:00 P.M. EDT.

*Moderate to 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 Tuesday. 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:

--Marine Conditions--
There is a **high risk** of rip currents on the northeastern coastal waters on all area waters of the Northern and Northwest Bahamas.
There is a **moderate risk** of rip currents on the northeastern coastal waters of the Atlantic waters of the Central and Southeast Bahamas.

-- Weather Advisory--
Northwest and Central Bahamas and upper-regions of the Southeast Bahamas:
Thunderstorms in the area can become strong to severe at times; waterspout activity is possible.

GENERAL SITUATION:

A stationary front, supported by upper level troughing in the vicinity of the Northwest and Central Bahamas will meander across these regions, generating unsettled weather through Friday. Meanwhile, drier air moves in over the Northern Bahamas, reducing the chances of convection through midweek. Fresh winds across the Northern and Northwest Bahamas will become gentle to moderate through midweek, before increasing once again this weekend as surface troughing over the Southeast Bahamas develops and high pressure builds from the north, tightening the pressure gradient.

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

ADVISORY: There is a **small craft advisory** in effect for all area waters. *Small craft should remain in port.*
WINDS: Northeast at 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts through the forecast period.
LOCAL SEAS: 5 to 7 feet on the sheltered waters and 10 to 13 feet on the Atlantic waters.
SWELLS: Large mixed swells on the Atlantic waters.
WEATHER: No significant weather.

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

ADVISORY: There is a **small craft advisory** in effect for all area waters. *Small craft should remain in port. Gusty winds, higher seas and reduced visibility can be experienced in the vicinity of showers and thunderstorms.*
WINDS: North-northeast at 15 to 20 knots with strong gusts expected on the waters of the Berry islands and northern Andros.
LOCAL SEAS: 5 to 7 feet on the sheltered waters and 8 to 12 feet on the Atlantic waters.
SWELLS: Moderate northerly swells on the Atlantic waters...
WEATHER: Widely scattered showers and thunderstorms through the forecast period.



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

ADVISORY: There is a **small craft advisory** in effect for all area waters. *Small craft should remain in port. Gusty winds, higher seas and reduced visibility can be experienced in the vicinity of showers and thunderstorms.*

WINDS: North-northeast at 10 to 15 knots tonight with occasional higher gusts.

LOCAL SEAS: 3 to 5 feet nearshore on the sheltered waters, 5 to 7 feet offshore on the sheltered waters and 7 to 11 feet on the Atlantic waters.

SWELLS: Moderate northerly swells on the Atlantic waters.

WEATHER: Widely scattered showers and thunderstorms through the forecast period.

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

ADVISORY: There is a **small craft advisory** in effect for the Atlantic waters. There is a **small craft caution** in effect for the sheltered waters. *Small craft should remain in port. Gusty winds, higher seas and reduced visibility can be experienced in the vicinity of showers and thunderstorms.*

WINDS: East-northeast at 10 knots with occasional higher gusts through the forecast period.

LOCAL SEAS: 3 to 5 feet nearshore on the sheltered waters, 4 to 6 feet offshore on the sheltered waters and 6 to 9 feet on the Atlantic waters.

SWELLS: Light to moderate northerly swells on the Atlantic waters.

WEATHER: Isolated showers and thunderstorms through the forecast period.

MOONRISE:	MOONSET:
2:41 PM	1:47 AM TUE
MOON PHASE	
FIRST QUARTER	
FULL MOON - OCTOBER 26TH	

ISLAND TIDES:	NORTHERN (GRAND BAHAMA):	NORTHWEST (NEW PROVIDENCE):	CENTRAL (EXUMA):	SOUTHEAST (INAGUA):
HIGH TIDE:	3:29 PM	3:05 PM	3:07 PM	3:21 PM
LOW TIDE:	10:11 PM	9:41 PM	9:34 PM	10:03 PM

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

TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK:

A non-tropical area of low pressure is generating storm-force winds off the southeastern coast of the United States. Should this system become detached from its associated cold front while being fueled by the Gulf Stream, there is a possibility for subtropical development by midweek. The system is expected to gradually move northeastward into the northern Atlantic through the end of the week where conditions will become less favorable for further development. Elsewhere, tropical cyclone formation is not expected during the next 7 days...



EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR TUESDAY OCTOBER 20, 2026:

*There is a small craft advisory in effect for all area waters of the island chain.
Small craft should refrain from venturing into the Atlantic waters of the island chain as well as the western waters.
Small craft should not venture too far from port on the sheltered waters of the island chain.*

ADVISORY:

*Northwest, Central and Southeast Bahamas:
Gusty winds, higher seas and reduced visibility can be experienced in the vicinity of showers and thunderstorms.*

Northern and Northwest Bahamas:
Northeast at 15 to 20 knots with occasional higher gusts.

WINDS:

Central Bahamas:
Northeast at 10 to 15 knots with occasional higher gusts.

Southeast Bahamas:
Northeast at 10 knots with occasional higher gusts.

Northern and Northwest Bahamas:
4 to 6 feet nearshore on the sheltered waters, 5 to 7 feet offshore on the sheltered waters and 8 to 12 feet on the Atlantic waters.

SEAS:

Central Bahamas:
3 to 5 feet nearshore on the sheltered waters, 5 to 7 feet offshore on the sheltered waters and 7 to 10 feet on the Atlantic waters.

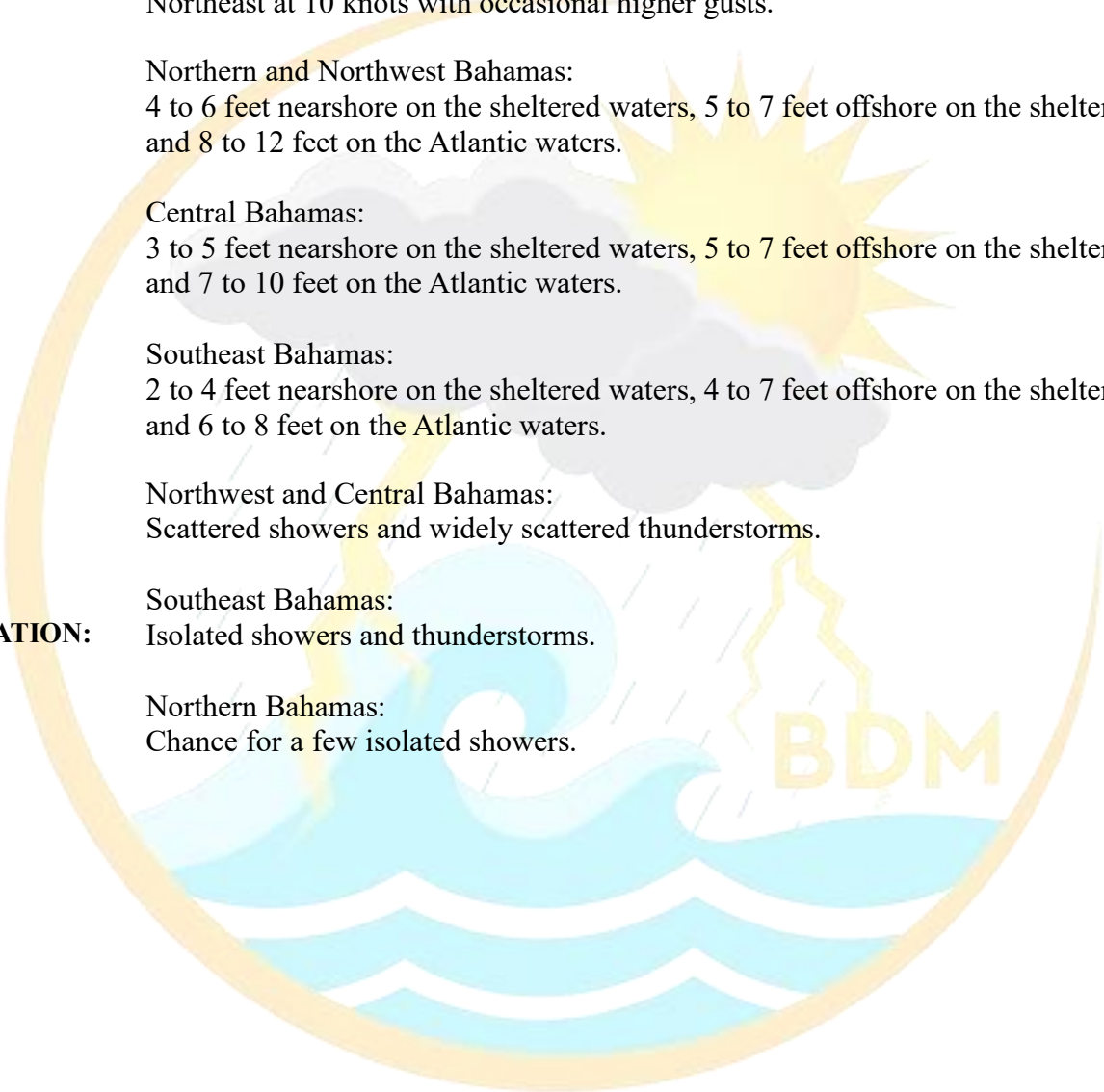
Southeast Bahamas:
2 to 4 feet nearshore on the sheltered waters, 4 to 7 feet offshore on the sheltered waters and 6 to 8 feet on the Atlantic waters.

Northwest and Central Bahamas:
Scattered showers and widely scattered thunderstorms.

PRECIPITATION:

Southeast Bahamas:
Isolated showers and thunderstorms.

Northern Bahamas:
Chance for a few isolated showers.





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EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 21, 2026:

*There is a **small craft advisory** in effect for all area waters of the Northern, Northwest and Central Bahamas.*

*There is a **small craft caution** in effect for all area waters of the Southeast Bahamas.
Small craft should not venture too far from port.*

ADVISORY:

Northwest, Central and Southeast Bahamas:

Gusty winds, higher seas and reduced visibility can be experienced in the vicinity of showers and thunderstorms.

Northern, Northwest and Central Bahamas:

Northeast at 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts, falling to 10 knots in the afternoon.

WINDS:

Southeast Bahamas:

East at 10 knots falling light and variable at times.

Northern and Northwest Bahamas:

4 to 6 feet nearshore on the sheltered waters, 5 to 8 feet offshore on the sheltered waters and 6 to 9 feet on the Atlantic waters.

Central Bahamas:

SEAS:

3 to 5 feet nearshore on the sheltered waters, 4 to 7 feet offshore on the sheltered waters and 6 to 8 feet on the Atlantic waters.

Southeast Bahamas:

2 to 4 feet nearshore on the sheltered waters and 4 to 6 feet offshore on the sheltered waters and on the Atlantic waters.

Northwest, Central and Southeast Bahamas:

Widely scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms.

PRECIPITATION:

Northern Bahamas:

Chance for a few isolated showers.

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