



## BAHAMAS MARINE FORECAST

MARINE FORECASTS FOR THE BAHAMAS ISSUED BY THE BAHAMAS DEPARTMENT OF METEOROLOGY AT 6:00 P.M. EDT FRIDAY APRIL 03, 2026, FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS. THE NEXT SCHEDULED FORECASTS WILL BE ISSUED AT 6:00 A.M. EDT TOMORROW.

There is a **NEAR-GALE WARNING** in effect for the entire island chain.

Near-gale Winds: 28 knots – 33 knots

Near-gale winds gusts are expected tonight through Saturday in the Northwest, Central and Southeast Bahamas.

Near-gale wind gusts will begin Saturday morning in the Northern Bahamas. Mariners, especially small craft mariners, are advised to seek safe harbour and remain in port.

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### WARNINGS:

There is a **GALE WATCH** in effect for the Central Bahamas.

Near-gale Winds: 28 knots – 33 knots

Near-gale winds gusts are possible across the area beginning at noon on Saturday through Sunday at noon.

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There is a high risk of rip currents for all east-facing coastal waters of the island chain. Swimmers are advised not to enter the waters.

High pressure will continue to steer fresh to strong east to southeast winds across the island chain this weekend before weakening over the area as it retreats eastward over the Atlantic waters ahead of a cold front expected late Monday. Winds and seas are expected to increase once again in the wake of the front on Tuesday.

### GENERAL SITUATION:

#### NORTHERN BAHAMAS

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

- ADVISORY:** There is a **near-gale warning** in effect. There is a **small craft advisory** in effect for all area waters. **Small craft operators should remain in port.**
- WINDS:** Easterly at 18 to 22 knots with near-gale wind gusts tonight through Saturday.
- LOCAL SEAS:** 4 to 6 feet nearshore on the sheltered waters, 5 to 8 feet offshore on the sheltered waters and 7 to 10 feet on the Atlantic waters through Saturday.
- SWELLS:** Moderate easterly wind waves on the Atlantic waters.
- WEATHER:** Isolated showers tonight. Isolated showers and thunderstorms expected on Saturday.

#### NORTHWEST BAHAMAS

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

- ADVISORY:** There is a **near-gale warning** in effect for the area. **Small craft operators should remain in port.** Gusty winds, higher seas and reduced visibility can be experienced in the vicinity of showers and thunderstorms.
- WINDS:** East at 20 to 25 knots with gusts to near-gale force tonight through Saturday.
- LOCAL SEAS:** 4 to 6 feet nearshore on the sheltered waters, 5 to 8 feet offshore on the sheltered waters and 7 to 10 feet on the Atlantic waters through Saturday.
- SWELLS:** Moderate easterly wind waves on the Atlantic waters.
- WEATHER:** Isolated showers tonight. Isolated showers and thunderstorms expected on Saturday.



**CENTRAL BAHAMAS**

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

**ADVISORY:** There is a gale watch in effect – winds could possibly gust to gale force on Saturday. There is a **near-gale warning** in effect for the area. **Small craft operators should remain in port.** Gusty winds, higher seas and reduced visibility can be experienced in the vicinity of showers and thunderstorms.

**WINDS:** Easterly at 20 to 25 knots with gusts to near-gale force tonight through Saturday; winds gusts could possibly reach gale force on Saturday.

**LOCAL SEAS:** 4 to 6 feet nearshore on the sheltered waters, 5 to 8 feet offshore on the sheltered waters and 8 to 11 feet on the Atlantic waters through Saturday.

**SWELLS:** Moderate easterly wind waves on the Atlantic waters.

**WEATHER:** Isolated showers and thunderstorms tonight. Widely scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms on Saturday.

**SOUTHEAST BAHAMAS**

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

**ADVISORY:** There is a **near-gale warning** in effect for the area. **Small craft operators should remain in port.** Gusty winds, higher seas and reduced visibility can be experienced in the vicinity of showers and thunderstorms.

**WINDS:** Easterly at 20 to 25 knots with gusts to near-gale force through Saturday.

**LOCAL SEAS:** 4 to 6 feet nearshore on the sheltered waters, 5 to 8 feet offshore on the sheltered waters and 8 to 11 feet on the Atlantic waters through Saturday.

**SWELLS:** Moderate easterly wind waves on the Atlantic waters.

**WEATHER:** Isolated showers and thunderstorms tonight. Widely scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms on Saturday.

<b>MOONRISE:</b>	<b>MOONSET:</b>
9:06 PM	7:37 AM SAT
<b>FULL MOON</b>	
<b>THIRD QUARTER - APRIL 10</b>	

<b>ISLAND TIDES:</b>	<b>NORTHERN (GRAND BAHAMA):</b>	<b>NORTHWEST (NEW PROVIDENCE):</b>	<b>CENTRAL (EXUMA):</b>	<b>SOUTHEAST (INAGUA):</b>
<b>HIGH TIDE:</b>	10:12 PM	9:48 PM	9:50 PM	10:04 PM
<b>LOW TIDE:</b>	4:42 AM SAT	4:12 AM SAT	4:05 AM SAT	4:34 AM SAT

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



**EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR SUNDAY APRIL 05, 2026:**

*There is a **near-gale warning** in effect for the Central Bahamas until Sunday at noon. A **small craft advisory** comes into immediate effect at noon. **Small craft should remain in port.***

**ADVISORY:** *There is a **small craft advisory** in effect for all area waters of the island chain. **Small craft should not venture too far from port.***

***All areas:***

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

**WINDS:** All areas: East at 15 to 25 knots with strong gusts; winds fall 15 to 20 knots Sunday night across the Northwest, Central and Southeast Bahamas, and 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts across the Northern Bahamas.

**SEAS:** All areas: 4 to 6 feet nearshore on the sheltered waters, 5 to 8 feet offshore on the sheltered waters and 7 to 10 feet on the Atlantic waters.  
Northern Bahamas: Isolated showers and thunderstorms.

**PRECIPITATION:** Northwest, Central and Southeast Bahamas: Widely scattered showers and thunderstorms.

**EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR MONDAY APRIL 06, 2026:**

*There is a **small craft advisory** in effect for the Atlantic waters of the island chain.*

**ADVISORY:** ***All areas:**  
Gusty winds, higher seas and reduced visibility can be experienced in the vicinity of showers and thunderstorms.*

Northern, Northwest and Central Bahamas: East-northeast at 10 to 15 knots with occasional higher gusts mainly over the Central Bahamas.

**WINDS:** Southeast Bahamas: Easterly at around 10 knots, falling light and variable in the afternoon.

Northern and Northwest Bahamas: 2 to 4 feet nearshore on the sheltered waters, 3 to 5 feet offshore on the sheltered waters and 5 to 8 feet on the Atlantic waters.

**SEAS:** Central and Southeast Bahamas: 2 to 4 feet nearshore on the sheltered waters, 3 to 5 feet offshore on the sheltered waters and 6 to 9 feet on the Atlantic waters.

Northern Bahamas: Isolated showers and thunderstorms. Shower chances increase overnight.

**PRECIPITATION:** Northwest, Central and Southeast Bahamas: Widely scattered showers and thunderstorms. Showers and thunderstorms decrease overnight.

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