



## BAHAMAS MARINE FORECAST

MARINE FORECASTS FOR THE BAHAMAS ISSUED BY THE BAHAMAS DEPARTMENT OF METEOROLOGY AT 12:00 P.M. EST TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16<sup>TH</sup>, 2025, FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS. THE NEXT SCHEDULED FORECASTS WILL BE ISSUED AT 6:00 P.M. EDT.

**THUNDERSTORM:**

NORTHWEST BAHAMAS: Low to moderate *risk*.  
NORTH, CENTRAL & SOUTHEAST BAHAMAS: Light risk  
***Hazardous associated with strong thunderstorms:***

- Reduced visibility, heavy downpours, strong gusty winds, occasional to frequent lightning strikes, hail and funnel cloud formation

**SWELLS:**

- NORTH & SOUTHEAST BAHAMAS- Moderate
- NORTHWEST & CENTRAL BAHAMAS- Light

**WARNINGS:**

**RIP CURRENT:**

NORTH AND SOUTHEAST BAHAMAS: moderate risk for *rip currents and rip tides, and under tow*.  
NORTHWEST AND CENTRAL BAHAMAS: low risk for *rip currents and rip tides, and under tow*.

**UV INDEX:** Moderate to high... burn time within 15 minutes, especially during peak UV radiation hours (10 am–4 pm).  
**HEAT INDEX:** Moderate in the range 102°F-111°F in this scope, prolonged exposure to direct sunshine can cause heat-related issues. Please limit outdoor activity and stay hydrated.

**GENERAL  
SITUATION:**

The surface ridge will expand across the Bahamas, leading to generally relaxed and stable weather conditions. Daytime heating may still trigger isolated thunderstorms, which could pose hazards.  
Seas within the island chain will be manageable for most activities. However, Atlantic waters will experience higher wave heights, prompting an advisory for small craft operators to exercise caution.  
**Weather hazards:**  
The increased potential for heavy thunderstorms and sudden weather changes requires vigilance. Reduced visibility, gusty winds, and hazardous marine conditions may occur.  
**Recommendations:**

- Stay updated with the latest local weather reports.
- Exercise caution if engaging in water activities.
- Postpone or modify plans if thunderstorms are approaching or forecasted.

**NORTHERN BAHAMAS**

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

**ADVISORY:** Small craft advisory for the northern Atlantic exposed...  
**WINDS:** North to northeast 10 to 15 knots becoming east overnight.  
**LOCAL SEAS:** Sheltered areas and open waters – Less than 2 feet; ; and the Atlantic exposed waters – 4 to 5 feet.  
**GULF STREAM:** 3 to 5 feet  
**SWELLS:** Light to moderate northeast swells for the Atlantic;  
**WEATHER:** Partly to mostly sunny with isolated showers and thunderstorms...  
**OUTLOOK:** Ridge across the Bahamas.



NORTHWEST BAHAMAS

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

**ADVISORY:** Small craft caution for the Atlantic exposed...

**WINDS:** Northeast 10 to 15 knots becoming east 12 to 18 knots overnight.

**LOCAL SEAS:** Sheltered areas and open waters – Less than 2 feet; ; and the Atlantic exposed waters – 3 to 4 feet.

**SWELLS:** Light to moderate northeast swells for the Atlantic;

**WEATHER:** Partly sunny to partly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms...

**OUTLOOK:** Ridge across the Bahamas.

CENTRAL BAHAMAS

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

**ADVISORY:** Small craft caution for the Atlantic waters...

**WINDS:** East 12 to 18 knots today and tonight becoming gusty at times...

**LOCAL SEAS:** Sheltered areas and open waters – Less than 2 feet; and the Atlantic exposed waters –2 to 3 feet.

**SWELLS:** Light northeast swells for the Atlantic;

**WEATHER:** Mixture of sun and clouds with the chance for isolated to scattered showers and thunderstorms...

**OUTLOOK:** Ridge across the Bahamas.

SOUTHEAST BAHAMAS

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

**ADVISORY:** Small craft caution inside of the wall and an advisory for the Atlantic exposed...

**WINDS:** East 12 to 18 knots today and tonight becoming gusty at times...

**LOCAL SEAS:** Sheltered areas – 2 to 3 feet, open waters- 3 to 4 feet; and the Atlantic exposed waters –4 to 5 feet.

**SWELLS:** Light to moderate easterly swells in the south Great Bank and moderate northeasterly swells for the Atlantic waters;

**WEATHER:** Partly to mostly sunny with the chance for isolated showers and possible thunderstorms...

**OUTLOOK:** Ridge across the Bahamas.

MOONSET:	MOONRISE:
4:06 PM	02:52 AM <small>WED</small>
Waning Crescent	
New Moon (Sun 21 <sup>st</sup> Sep 2025 @ 3:54pm) (Partial Solar Eclipse)	

ISLAND TIDES:	NORTHERN (GRAND BAHAMA):	NORTHWEST (NEW PROVIDENCE):	CENTRAL (EXUMA):	SOUTHEAST (INAGUA):
HIGH TIDE:	4:35 PM	4:26 PM	4:28 PM	4:42 PM
LOW TIDE:	11:03 PM	11:01 PM	10:54 PM	11:23 PM
HIGH TIDE:	05:02 AM <small>WED</small>	04:53 AM <small>WED</small>	04:55 AM <small>WED</small>	05:09 AM <small>WED</small>
LOW TIDE:	11:03 AM <small>WED</small>	11:01 AM <small>WED</small>	10:54 AM <small>WED</small>	11:23 AM <small>WED</small>

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



**TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK:**

**Hurricane Season: June 1 – November 30.**

**1. Central Tropical Atlantic (AL92):**

Showers and thunderstorms associated with a **broad low-pressure** area located about midway between the Windward Islands and the coast of west Africa have become better organized since yesterday. Environmental conditions are conducive for additional development, and a tropical depression or storm is likely to form in the next day or two as the system moves west-northwestward or northwestward at 10 to 15 mph over the central tropical Atlantic.

\* Formation chance through 48 hours...high...90 percent.

\* Formation chance through 7 days...high...90 percent.

**2. Eastern Tropical Atlantic:**

A **tropical wave** emerging off the west coast of Africa is producing an area of disorganized showers and thunderstorms. Some slow development of this system is possible towards the mid to latter part of this week as it moves westward at 15 to 20 mph, moving from the eastern to central portion of the tropical Atlantic.

\* Formation chance through 48 hours...low...near 0 percent.

\* Formation chance through 7 days...low...20 percent.

**Tropical Development:** No tropical cyclone formation expected in the Atlantic basin over the next seven (7) days.

**EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2025:**

**ADVISORY:** Southeast Bahamas: Small craft advisory for the Atlantic exposed waters  
North and Southeast Bahamas(open waters): Small craft caution

**WINDS:** North & Northwest Bahamas- East 10 to 15 knots.  
Central & Southeast Bahamas– East 12 to 18 knots.

**SEAS:** North & Northwest Bahamas- Gulf Stream- 3 to 4 feet, sheltered areas and open waters less than 2 feet; Atlantic exposed waters 3 to 4 feet.  
Central Bahamas- Sheltered areas and open waters less than 2 feet; Atlantic exposed waters 3 to 4 feet.  
Southeast Bahamas – Sheltered areas 2 to 3 feet; open waters -3 to 4 feet; Atlantic exposed waters up to 5 feet;

**PRECIPITATION:** Moderate risk for convection for the northern Bahamas...  
Low risk for convection for the southeast Bahamas...

**EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2025:**

**ADVISORY:** Southeast Bahamas: Small craft advisory for the Atlantic exposed waters  
North and Southeast Bahamas(open waters): Small craft caution

**WINDS:** North Bahamas- Northeast 10 to 15 knots  
Northwest Bahamas - Southeast 10 to 15 knots  
Central Bahamas- Southeast 12 to 18 knots  
Southeast Bahamas- East 15 to 20 knots.

**SEAS:** North & Northwest Bahamas- Sheltered areas – less than 2 feet; open waters- 3 to 4 feet; Atlantic exposed waters 4 to 5 feet.  
Central Bahamas- Sheltered areas – less than 2 feet; open waters- up to 3 feet; Atlantic exposed waters 4 to 5 feet.  
Southeast Bahamas- Sheltered areas – 1 to 3 feet; open waters- up to 3 feet; Atlantic exposed waters 4 to 6 feet.

**PRECIPITATION:** Moderate to high risk for convection for the North to Northwest Bahamas...  
Low to moderate risk for convection for the Central Bahamas...  
Low risk for convection for the Central Bahamas...

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