



BAHAMAS MARINE FORECAST

MARINE FORECASTS FOR THE BAHAMAS ISSUED BY THE BAHAMAS DEPARTMENT OF METEOROLOGY AT 6:00 P.M. EST SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH 2026, FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS. THE NEXT SCHEDULED FORECASTS WILL BE ISSUED AT 6:00 A.M. EDT TOMORROW.

SPECIAL
WARNING:

THUNDERSTORM:

Entire Bahamas: Low to moderate risk for isolated showers and thunderstorms.

RIP CURRENTS:

The Atlantic-exposed & Southern Great Bahama Bank

Southeast Bahamas: Moderate rip current risk — Mariners & swimmers should exercise caution.

AIR QUALITY: (Saharan Dust)

Entire Bahamas: Satisfactory- Air quality is acceptable, though sensitive individuals may experience minor issues.

TIDES: (Waxing Crescent Moon)

Mariners are asked to be vigilant, especially during the tide shifts, as shoals, dunes, and banks will be partially covered or fully exposed.

MARINE CONDITIONS:

Atlantic exposed, Open Waters, Nearshore & Sheltered:

WARNINGS:

- North to Central Bahamas: None...
- Southeast Bahamas: Small craft should exercise caution...

GENERAL
SITUATION:

A weak pressure gradient dominating the region will continue to generate light breezes and relaxed seas north of the Southeast Bahamas. The southern islands will experience higher winds and seas due to a strong pressure gradient. Thunderstorms are the primary marine hazard, bringing sudden wind gusts, heavier seas, lightning, and reduced visibility, creating dangerous conditions for boaters and mariners. The Bahamas Department of Meteorology will be monitoring the thunderstorm activity closely.

OUTLOOK

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Tuesday: A trough will move across the northern Bahamas, creating more atmospheric instability. This means a greater chance of showers and thunderstorms.

Wednesday: The instability continues, and sea conditions are expected to worsen as a weakening front moves through.

Overall: Tuesday should remain relatively manageable, but Wednesday looks rougher for marine conditions, especially with showers or thunderstorms around.

NORTHERN BAHAMAS

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

- ADVISORY: *Small craft should exercise caution due to showers and thunderstorms*
- WINDS: Light and variable tonight becoming northeast around 5 knots tomorrow.
- LOCAL SEAS: All areas- less than 2 feet; the Atlantic exposed waters- 2 to 3 feet.
- GULF STREAM: Less than 2 feet
- SWELLS: Light east-southeast for the Atlantic exposed waters
- WEATHER: Fair to partly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms.

NORTHWEST BAHAMAS

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

- ADVISORY: *Small craft should exercise caution due to showers and thunderstorms*
- WINDS: East near 10 knots tonight and northeast around 10 knots tomorrow.
- LOCAL SEAS: All areas- less than 2 feet; the Atlantic exposed waters- 2 to 3 feet.
- SWELLS: Light east-southeast for the Atlantic exposed waters
- WEATHER: Fair to partly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms.



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

ADVISORY: *Small craft should exercise caution due to showers and thunderstorms*
WINDS: East around 10 knots tonight and northeast tomorrow.
LOCAL SEAS: All areas- less than 2 feet; the Atlantic exposed waters- 2 to 3 feet.
SWELLS: Light east for the Atlantic exposed
WEATHER: Fair to partly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms.

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

ADVISORY: *Small craft should exercise caution. Outside of isolated showers and thunderstorms*
WINDS: East 10 to 15 knots tonight and tomorrow.
LOCAL SEAS: Sheltered area, open waters and all passages – less than 2 feet; and the Atlantic exposed waters – 3 feet.
SWELLS: Light east swells for the Atlantic exposed
WEATHER: Fair to partly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms.

MOONSET:	MOONRISE:
8:42 PM	10:09 AM MON
Waxing Crescent	
First Quarter Moon (Fri 18 th September 2026 @ 4:44 pm)	

ISLAND TIDES:	NORTHERN (GRAND BAHAMA):	NORTHWEST (NEW PROVIDENCE):	CENTRAL (EXUMA):	SOUTHEAST (INAGUA):
HIGH TIDE:	10:24 PM	10:15 PM	10:17 PM	10:31 PM
LOW TIDE:	04:28 AM MON	04:26 AM MON	04:19 AM MON	04:48 AM MON
HIGH TIDE:	10:50 AM MON	10:41 AM MON	10:43 AM MON	10:57 AM MON
LOW TIDE:	5:05 PM MON	5:03 PM MON	4:56 PM MON	5:25 PM MON

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

TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK: Hurricane Season: June 1 – November 30.

1. Central Subtropical Atlantic:
Disorganized showers and thunderstorms persist in association with a trough of low pressure over the central Subtropical Atlantic. Strong upper-level winds are making the current environment unfavorable for development. However, the system is expected to move into a more favorable environment for some gradual development by the middle to later portion of this week. The disturbance is forecast to move west-northwestward across the central part of the Subtropical Atlantic.
Elsewhere, the tropics is quiet and tropical cyclone formation is not expected during the next 7 days.

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH, 2026:

ADVISORY: Entire Bahamas - Showers and thunderstorms possible strong to severe.

WINDS: North & Northwest Bahamas- Northeast to east 10 knots or less throughout the day, becoming 10 to 15 knots overnight.
Central & Southeast Bahamas – East 10 to 15 knots throughout the day, and overnight.

SEAS: North to Central Bahamas – All areas less than 2 feet; Atlantic exposed waters– 2 to 3 feet
Southeast Bahamas – Sheltered areas & open waters - less than 2 feet, all passages – 2 to 3 feet; the Atlantic exposed waters– 2 to 4 feet

SWELLS: Entire Bahamas: Light easterly swells for the Atlantic waters.



EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH, 2026:

ADVISORY:	Near gale watch for the North Bahamas Entire Bahamas - Showers and thunderstorms possible strong to severe.
WINDS:	North & Northeast Bahamas- Northeast to east 10 knots or less throughout the day, becoming 10 to 15 knots overnight. Central & Southeast Bahamas – East 10 to 15 knots throughout the day and overnight.
SEAS:	North to Central Bahamas – All areas less than 2 feet; and Atlantic exposed waters– up to 2 feet. Southeast Bahamas – Sheltered areas – Less than 2 feet; open waters & all passages – 2 to 3 feet; the Atlantic exposed waters– up to 3 feet
SWELLS:	Entire Bahamas: Light easterly swells for the Atlantic waters.

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