



BAHAMAS MARINE FORECAST

MARINE FORECASTS FOR THE BAHAMAS ISSUED BY THE BAHAMAS DEPARTMENT OF METEOROLOGY AT 6:00 P.M. EST SUNDAY, AUGUST 23RD, 2026, FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS. THE NEXT SCHEDULED FORECASTS WILL BE ISSUED AT 6:00 A.M. EDT TOMORROW.

THUNDERSTORM:

North, Northwest & Southeast Bahamas: Moderate risk for showers and thunderstorms.
Central Bahamas: Low risk for showers and thunderstorms.

RIP CURRENTS:

The Atlantic-exposed & Southern Great Bahama Bank
Southeast Bahamas: Low rip current risk - Mariners & swimmers remain in port and onshore.

SEA SURFACE TEMPERATURE:

Northern Bahamas: 31°C (88°F)
Southeast Bahamas: 30°C (86°F)

SPECIAL
WARNING:

AIR QUALITY: (Saharan Dust)

North Bahamas: Satisfactory to moderate- Minor to moderate breathing discomfort for sensitive people due to long-term exposure.
Northwest & Southeast Bahamas: Good - Air quality poses little to no risk. Minor breathing discomfort to sensitive people due to long-term exposure.
Central Bahamas: Satisfactory - Minor breathing discomfort to sensitive people due to long-term exposure.

TIDES:

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

MARINE CONDITIONS:

Atlantic exposed:

- Southeast Bahamas: Small craft should exercise caution...
- Remaining islands: None

WARNINGS:

Open Waters, Nearshore & Sheltered:

- Southeast Bahamas: Small craft should exercise caution...
- Remaining islands: None

Nearshore & Sheltered:

- Entire Bahamas: None...

GENERAL
SITUATION:

A ridge of high pressure remains dominant over the northern islands and will support light winds and relatively calm seas for most of the country. A trough of low pressure is positioned east of the United States eastern seaboard. The southern end of that trough extends north of the North Bahamas, providing enough instability to develop some convection. Expect isolated showers and thunderstorms for the overnight hours.

OUTLOOK

Tuesday & Wednesday

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No significant changes in the forecast as the ridge remains across the North Bahamas. The pressure gradient over the Southeast Bahamas will be tight, increasing the wind speeds for this area.
Please continue to monitor all warnings provided by the Bahamas Department of Meteorology...

NORTHERN BAHAMAS

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

ADVISORY: None...possible isolated showers and thunderstorms
WINDS: Southeast 10 to 15 knots tonight becoming southeast to south 10 knots or less tomorrow.
LOCAL SEAS: All areas- less than 2 feet; the Atlantic exposed waters- 2 feet.
GULF STREAM: Less than 2 feet
SWELLS: Light east for the Atlantic exposed waters
WEATHER: Fair to partly cloudy with the chance for isolated showers and thunderstorms.



NORTHWEST BAHAMAS

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

ADVISORY: *None...possible isolated showers and thunderstorms*
WINDS: East 10 to 15 knots tonight and tomorrow.
LOCAL SEAS: All areas- less than 2 feet; the Atlantic exposed waters- 2 to 3 feet.
SWELLS: Light east for the Atlantic exposed waters
WEATHER: Fair to partly cloudy with the slight chance for isolates showers and thunderstorms.

CENTRAL BAHAMAS

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

ADVISORY: *None...possible isolated showers and thunderstorms*
WINDS: Northeast to east 10 to 15 knots tonight with higher gusts becoming east tomorrow.
LOCAL SEAS: All areas- less than 2 feet; Crooked Island Passage & the Atlantic exposed waters- 3 feet.
SWELLS: Light east for the Atlantic exposed
WEATHER: Fair to partly cloudy, breezy and dry.

SOUTHEAST BAHAMAS

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

ADVISORY: *Small craft should exercise caution.*
WINDS: East 15 knots tonight and tomorrow, becoming gusty at times...
LOCAL SEAS: Sheltered areas- 2 to 3 feet; open waters – 3 to 4 feet; and all passages – 3 feet and the Atlantic exposed waters – 3 to 4 feet.
SWELLS: Light east for the local; light to moderate east swells for the Atlantic exposed east swells and for Inagua’s southern waters moderate to large easterly swells
WEATHER: Fair to partly cloudy with the chance for isolated showers and thunderstorms.

MOONSET:	MOONRISE:
3:22 AM MON	4:49 PM
Waxing Gibbous	
Full Moon (Fri 28 th August 2026 @ 12:18 am)	

ISLAND TIDES:	NORTHERN (GRAND BAHAMA):	NORTHWEST (NEW PROVIDENCE):	CENTRAL (EXUMA):	SOUTHEAST (INAGUA):
HIGH TIDE:	5:40 PM	5:31 PM	5:33 PM	5:47 PM
LOW TIDE:	12:05 AM MON	12:03 AM MON	11:56 AM MON	12:25 AM MON
HIGH TIDE:	05:54 AM MON	05:45 AM MON	05:47 AM MON	06:01 AM MON
LOW TIDE:	11:51 AM MON	11:49 AM MON	11:42 AM MON	12:11 PM MON

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

TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK: Hurricane Season: June 1 – November 30.
1. Northeastern Atlantic: A non-tropical area of low pressure located a couple of hundred miles west of the coast of Portugal is producing limited shower activity. This low is no longer anticipated to acquire any subtropical characteristics before moving over Portugal and Spain early tomorrow.
2. Central Subtropical Atlantic (AL95): Satellite images indicate that showers and thunderstorms show some signs of organization associated with an area of low pressure located about 400 miles southeast of Bermuda. Further development of the low is possible, and this system



could become a short-lived tropical depression or storm during the next couple of days while it moves northward and north-northeastward, well northeast of Bermuda.

3. Eastern Tropical Atlantic:

A **tropical wave** is expected to move off the west coast of Africa on Monday, and an area of low pressure could form in association with the wave early this week. Environmental conditions are forecast to be marginally conducive for development, and a tropical depression could form by the middle to latter portions of the week while the system moves generally westward at 15 to 20 mph across the eastern and central tropical 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, AUGUST 25TH, 2026:

ADVISORY:	None; aside from the isolated showers and thunderstorms possible strong to minimal severe.
WINDS:	North Bahamas- East to southeast 10 knots or less throughout the day and overnight. Northwest & Central Bahamas – East around 10 knots throughout the day and east overnight. Southeast Bahamas – East 10 to 15 knots throughout the day becoming 15 knots overnight.
SEAS:	North to Central Bahamas – All areas less than 2 feet; Atlantic exposed waters– 2 to 3 feet Southeast Bahamas – Sheltered areas- less than 2 feet, all passages - 3 feet; open waters & the Atlantic exposed waters– 3 to 4 feet; south of Inagua- 3 to 5 feet
SWELLS:	North to Central Bahamas: Light east swells for the Atlantic waters. Southeast Bahamas: Light to moderate east for open waters & the Atlantic waters.

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26TH, 2026:

ADVISORY:	None; aside from the isolated showers and thunderstorms possible strong to severe.
WINDS:	North & Northwest Bahamas- East to southeast 10 knots or less throughout the day becoming 10 to 15 knots overnight. Central & Southeast Bahamas – East 10 to 15 knots throughout the day becoming around 15 knots overnight.
SEAS:	North to Central Bahamas – All areas less than 2 feet; Atlantic exposed waters– 2 to 3 feet Southeast Bahamas – Sheltered areas- less than 3 feet, all passages – 3 to 4 feet; open waters & the Atlantic exposed waters– 4 feet; south of Inagua- 4 to 6 feet
SWELLS:	North to Central Bahamas: Light east swells for the Atlantic waters. Southeast Bahamas: Moderate east for open waters & the Atlantic waters.

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