



BAHAMAS MARINE FORECAST

MARINE FORECASTS FOR THE BAHAMAS ISSUED BY THE BAHAMAS DEPARTMENT OF METEOROLOGY AT 6:00 P.M. EST TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23RD , 2025, FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS. THE NEXT SCHEDULED FORECASTS WILL BE ISSUED AT 6:00 A.M. EDT TOMORROW.

SWELLS:

ENTIRE BAHAMAS - Dangerous to life-threatening for the Atlantic-exposed areas.

RIP CURRENT:

ENTIRE BAHAMAS: Strong and dangerous rip currents and rip tides, and under tow risk.

WARNINGS: COASTAL FLOODING & EROSION:

ENTIRE BAHAMAS: High to moderate risk for Atlantic exposures.

NEAR GALE WARNING:

-Northwest, Central & Southeast Bahamas in effect

A tight pressure gradient continues to drive strong and gusty breezes across the country. High pressure to the north is interacting with the stationary tail end of a central Atlantic frontal boundary drifting eastward. As a result, rough seas will persist along beaches exposed to this swell, creating hazardous marine and coastal conditions. As the front gradually moves away and the ridge shifts closer to the Bahamas, the Wind Warning for the North Bahamas will be discontinued tonight. However, a Near Gale Warning will remain in effect for the remaining islands.

Marine & Beach Conditions

GENERAL

SITUATION:

- Small craft operators, especially inexperienced boaters, should remain in port.
- Beach-goers and swimmers are asked to refrain from entering the waters.
- Life-threatening surf conditions :
 - Large, crashing waves will continue...
 - Beach erosion is likely for the Atlantic-exposed coastal areas.
 - Swimming and beach activities are strongly discouraged, especially near inlets, jetties, and exposed shorelines that are vulnerable to Atlantic swells.

OUTLOOK

Wednesday & Thursday:

High pressure will continue to be the dominant feature as the pressure gradient across the country slackens. The winds and gusty conditions that induced the wind advisory will fall below the warning criteria.

NORTHERN BAHAMAS

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

ADVISORY:	Small craft advisory is in effect for the Atlantic.
WINDS:	Northeast 10 to 15 knots becoming gusty at times...
LOCAL SEAS:	Shelter areas- less than 2 feet; open waters and Northwest Providence Channel - 3 feet; and the Atlantic exposed waters – 6 to 8 feet.
GULF STREAM:	3 to 5 feet
SWELLS:	Moderate to large east-northeasterly swells for the Atlantic.
WEATHER:	Fair to partly cloudy and breezy with the slight chance for sprinkles.
OUTLOOK:	Tight pressure gradient over the area with high pressure to the north of the area.

NORTHWEST BAHAMAS

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

ADVISORY:	Small craft should not venture into the Atlantic.
WINDS:	Northeast 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts...
LOCAL SEAS:	Shelter areas and open waters -1 to 3 feet; Northeast Providence Channel- 4 to 6 feet and the Atlantic exposed waters – 6 to 9 feet.
SWELLS:	Large east-northeasterly swells for the Atlantic.
WEATHER:	Fair to partly cloudy and breezy with the slight chance for sprinkles
OUTLOOK:	Tight pressure gradient over the area with high pressure to the north of the area.



CENTRAL BAHAMAS	
(INCLUDING EXUMA, CAT ISLAND, LONG ISLAND, SAN SALVADOR, RUM CAY & ADJACENT WATERS):	
ADVISORY:	Small craft caution is in effect for the Atlantic.
WINDS:	Northeast 12 to 22 knots with higher gusts...
LOCAL SEAS:	Sheltered areas-less than 2 feet; open waters – 1 to 3 feet; Exuma Sound 3 to 5 feet; Crooked Island Passage- 6 to 8 feet and the Atlantic exposed waters – 8 to 10 feet.
SWELLS:	Large and dangerous east-northeasterly swells for the Atlantic.
WEATHER:	Partly to mostly cloudy and windy with isolated showers.
OUTLOOK:	Stationary front near the Southeast Bahamas and the Turks Caicos islands.

SOUTHEAST BAHAMAS	
(INCLUDING INAGUA, ACKLINS, CROOKED ISLAND, MAYAGUANA, RAGGED ISLAND & ADJACENT WATERS):	
ADVISORY:	Small craft advisory is in effect for the Atlantic.
WINDS:	Northeast 15 to 25 knots with higher gusts...
LOCAL SEAS:	Shelter area - up to 3 feet; Mayaguana & Caicos passage- 7 to 9 feet; and the Atlantic exposed waters – 9 to 11 feet.
SWELLS:	Dangerous east-northeasterly swells for the Atlantic, moderate and large east-northeasterly for the open waters.
WEATHER:	Partly to mostly cloudy and windy with isolated showers.
OUTLOOK:	Stationary front near the area, east of the Turks Caicos islands.

MOONSET:	MOONRISE:
10:39 PM	11:20 AM <small>WED</small>
Waxing Crescent	
First Quarter Moon (Sun 27 th Dec 2025 @ 2:10 pm)	

ISLAND TIDES:	NORTHERN (GRAND BAHAMA):	NORTHWEST (NEW PROVIDENCE):	CENTRAL (EXUMA):	SOUTHEAST (INAGUA):
HIGH TIDE:	10:58 PM	10:49 PM	10:51 PM	11:05 PM
LOW TIDE:	04:51 AM <small>WED</small>	04:49 AM <small>WED</small>	04:42 AM <small>WED</small>	05:11 AM <small>WED</small>
HIGH TIDE:	11:13 AM <small>WED</small>	11:04 AM <small>WED</small>	11:06 AM <small>WED</small>	11:20 AM <small>WED</small>
LOW TIDE:	5:37 PM <small>WED</small>	5:35 PM <small>WED</small>	5:28 PM <small>WED</small>	5:57 PM <small>WED</small>

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

TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK: Hurricane Season: June 1 – November 30.
Tropical Development: No tropical cyclone formation expected in the Atlantic basin over the next seven (7) days.



BAHMET 23/7C

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24TH, 2025:

ADVISORY: **North Bahamas:** Small craft caution for the Atlantic...
Northwest Bahamas: Small craft advisory for the Atlantic.
Central & Southeast Bahamas: Small craft should remain in port ...

WINDS: **North Bahamas-** Northeast 10 to 15 knots.
Northwest Bahamas- Northeast 15 to 20 knots.
Central & Southeast Bahamas- Northeast 15 to 25 knots with higher gusts.

SEAS: **North Bahamas** - Gulf Stream, open waters & Northwest Providence Channel- 2 to 3 feet;
Atlantic exposed waters– up to 5 feet
Northwest Bahamas - Open waters – 2 to 3 feet; Northeast Providence Channel- 3 to 5 feet;
Atlantic exposed waters– 5 to 7 feet
Central Bahamas – Open waters – 1 to 3 feet; Crooked Island passage – 5 to 7 feet; Atlantic
exposed waters– 6 to 8 feet.
Southeast Bahamas – Open waters – 5 to 7 feet; All channels – 6 to 8 feet and the Atlantic
waters – up to 9 feet.

PRECIPITATION: Low risk for showers for the North & Northwest Bahamas.
Low to moderate risk for showers for the Central & Southeast Bahamas.

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25TH, 2025:

ADVISORY: **Northern Bahamas:** Small craft caution for the Atlantic waters.
Southern Bahamas: Small advisory for the Atlantic waters

WINDS: **North & Northwest Bahamas-** Northwest to north 10 knots or less.
Central Bahamas- Northeast 12 to 18 knots with higher gusts.
Southeast Bahamas- Northeast 15 to 22 knots with higher gusts.

SEAS: **North & Northwest Bahamas** - Open waters & Northwest Province Channel - less than 2 feet;
Gulf Stream - 2 to 3 feet; Northeast Providence Channel- 2 to 4 feet and the Atlantic exposed
waters– 4 to 5 feet
Central Bahamas – Open waters – 1 to 3 feet; Crooked Island passage – 3 to 5 feet; Atlantic
exposed waters– 4 to 6 feet.
Southeast Bahamas – Open waters – 3 to 5 feet; All channels – 4 to 6 feet and the Atlantic
waters – 5 to 7 feet.

PRECIPITATION: Low risk for showers for the entire Bahamas.

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