

BYC Cruise to Maine 2021

Long-range Weather Briefing

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National Hurricane Center

- “Tropical cyclone activity is not expected during the next 48 hours”

(anywhere in the North Atlantic, i.e. west of Africa, north of South America, and east of North America)

NWS - Block Island Sound

- Thurs. night – Fri. morning; showers,
- Fri. W winds 10-15 kts, gust to 20 kts, seas 2-4 ft.
- Sat. and Sat. night, W winds 10-15 kts, gust to 20 kts, seas 2-3 ft.
- Sun. and Sun. night SW winds 5-10 kts, gusts to 20 kts seas 2-4 ft.
- ECMWF forecast doesn't materially differ from the above.
- Seawater temperature 70 degrees near Buzzards Bay Tower

NWS – E of Gloucester – N of Provincetown

- Sat. W winds 10 to 15 kt with gusts up to 20 kt. Seas 3 to 5 ft
- Sat. night SW winds around 10 kt. Seas 2 to 3 ft
- Sun. and Sun. night S winds 10 to 15 kt with gusts up to 20 kt. Seas 2 to 4 ft. A chance of showers.
- ECMWF Sun. light W, shifting to S, becoming SSE in the afternoon and building to around 15 kt with gusts to 25 kt
- ECMWF Sun. night SE wind diminishing to 10 kts or less
- ECMWF Mon. SSE 10 to 15 kt, shifting to SSW in the PM, gusts < 20 kt
- Seawater temperature 68 degrees near Jefferys Ledge

NWS – SE of Portland – S of Rockland

- Sunday - SW winds 5 to 10 kt. Seas 2 to 3 ft, building to 3 to 5 ft in the afternoon. A chance of showers in the afternoon.
- Sunday night - S winds 10 to 15 kt. Seas 3 to 5 ft. A chance of showers.
- ECMWF Sun. night S wind 10-15 kt, gusts 15 to 20kt.
- ECMWF Mon. SE to S wind 10 or less, becoming SW 8-12 kts later in the afternoon. Gusts up to 15 kts.
- Seawater temperature 60 degrees near Monhegan

Take-aways

- Sun. PM rain inland (New Hampshire), moving NE
- Generally favorable wind direction, strength not bad
- Seawater temp will make night watches feel cool to cold
- Tuesday winds Portland to Rockland light and variable
- Play with your radar before Sunday night (dark, more wind, waves)
- Boston traffic lanes not far from P'town (likely daylight)
- Fishing fleet near Jeffery's Ledge (probably dark)
- Portland traffic lanes (2) definitely dark, not to busy
- Rockland night time temps are 57-58 degrees Thurs. thru Sunday