Storm-Force Possible

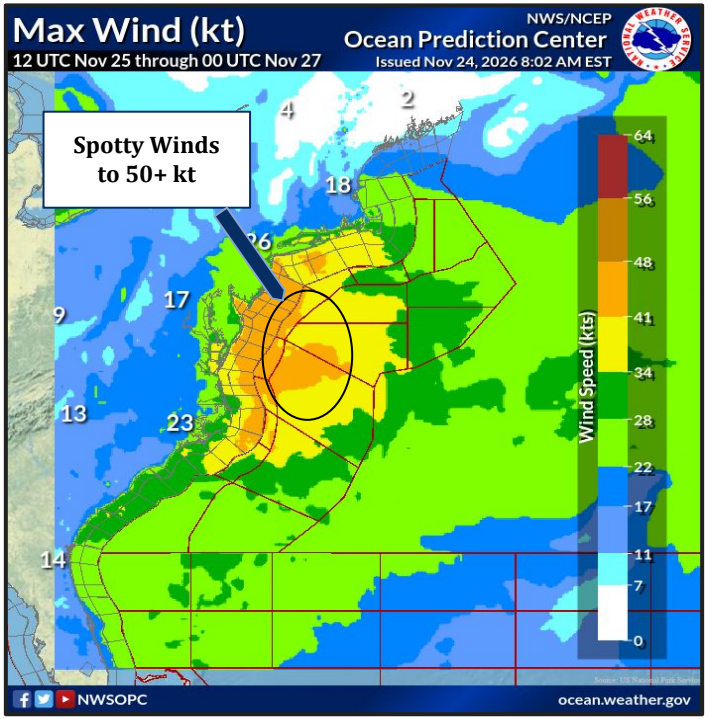
Thursday - Thursday Night (11/26)

November 24, 2026
1300 UTC

CALL TO ACTION: Vessels planning to be in the area should execute avoidance plans.

KEY MESSAGES:

- Low pressure will gradually broaden and strengthen over the southeast U.S. and off of the southeast U.S. coast Wednesday and Wednesday night, moving north through the end of the week.
- Between strong high pressure to the north and the developing low pressure center, areas of gales develop tonight offshore of the Carolina coast.
- The gales should gradually shift north from late Wednesday through Friday.
- **Some areas of sustained winds to storm-force are possible Thursday and Thursday night, with the greatest chance for any storm-force sustained winds being off of the mid-Atlantic coast.**
- In colder air behind a cold front, more widespread gales develop Friday, mainly from offshore of North Carolina north to offshore of New Jersey. Gales then continue over most areas from offshore of North Carolina north Friday night through much of Saturday night, before the gales move well off into the north Atlantic Sunday.



Maximum Sustained Wind Speed Forecast (kt) Valid 12 UTC November 25 through 00 UTC November 27

Outlook: East Coast N of 31N to 65W

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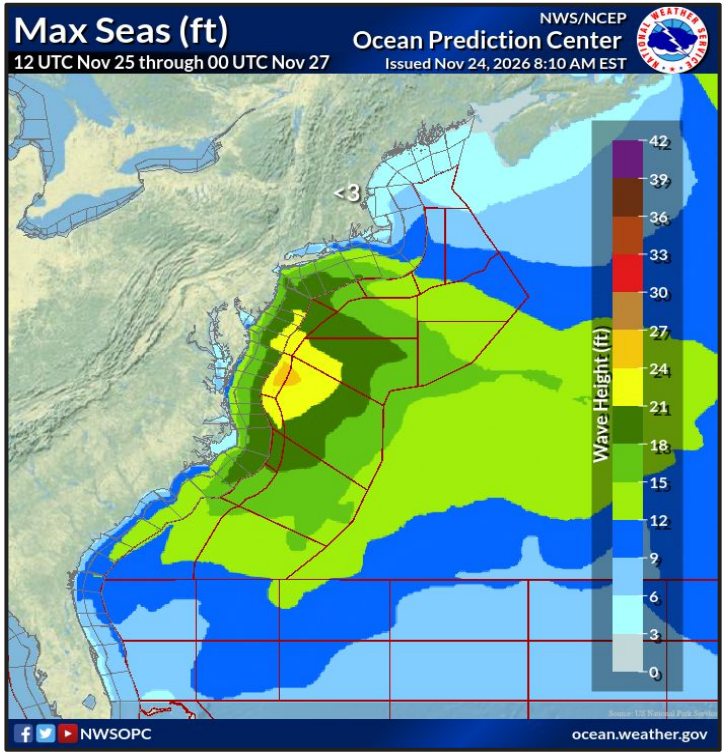
- In the gales tonight and Wednesday, seas should be from around 12 to around 15 feet.
- 12-foot seas will become widespread off of the east coast Wednesday night and early Thursday as low pressure broadens and moves north.
- Seas are expected to be around 25 feet in and near the strongest sustained winds. Winds and seas will be locally higher in and near any thunderstorms.
- Widespread 12-foot and greater seas will persist, especially from offshore of North Carolina northward, through Friday night, then gradually diminish from west to east, moving well out into the north Atlantic by Sunday night.
- This is a medium confidence forecast. Mariners should monitor later forecasts and have avoidance plans in place depending on the vessel and route, preparing for strong winds and rough seas. Coastal interests should monitor the latest information with respect to dangerous surf and coastal flooding, heeding advice from local officials.
- Keep abreast of the latest in the tropics and high seas marine weather information at hurricanes.gov and ocean.weather.gov. The next briefing update will be issued on Wednesday, November 25 by 12 pm EST or 1700 UTC.



Maximum Significant Wave Height Forecast (ft) Valid 12 UTC November 25 through 00 UTC November 27

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