

# REPUBLIC OF KENYA

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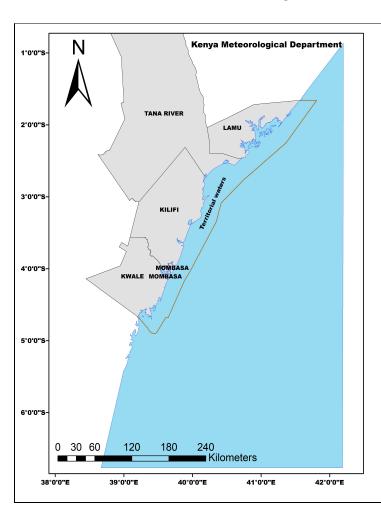
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# DAILY MARINE NEAR SHORE FORECAST FOR KENYAN COAST

Issued at: 1500 EAT on 3rd August, 2025

Valid: 0000 EAT on 4th August, 2025 to 0000 EAT on 5th August, 2025



# **GENERAL OUTLOOK**

# Morning sea state:

 Breezy to strong S winds (11-31knots) with moderate to very choppy seas. SE to SSE waves of 8-9ft (2.4-2.7m) with moderate period waves of (9sec) are expected in Kwale, Mombasa, Kilifi and Lamu.

# Afternoon sea state:

Breezy to strong S to SSE winds (13-29knots) with moderate to choppy seas. SE to SSE waves of 7-10feet (2.1-3.0m) with moderate period waves of (9sec) are expected in Kwale, Mombasa, Kilifi and Lamu.

# Visibility:

 Moderate visibility (9-10 km) expected in Kwale, Mombasa, Kilifi and Lamu.

### **COASTAL COUNTIES MARINE NEAR SHORE FORECAST**

#### i. KWALE

- Morning Winds: S 21 to 27 knots.
- Morning Waves: SE 8 feet at 9 seconds.
- Morning sea state: Strong S winds with very choppy seas. Small Craft Advisory. Moderate short period waves.
- Afternoon Winds: SSE 17 to 23 knots.
- Afternoon Waves: SE 7 feet at 9 seconds.
- Afternoon sea state: Moderate to strong SSE winds with choppy seas. Moderate short period waves.
- Sunrise; 6.31AM and sunset; 6:26PM
- Visibility: Moderate (9-10 km)
- High Tide: 12:30PM; 2.65m
- Low Tide: 5:05AM;1.51m, 7:40PM;1.4m

#### ii. MOMBASA

- Morning Winds: S 20 to 27 knots.
- Morning Waves: SE 8 feet at 9 seconds.
- Morning sea state: Strong S winds with very choppy seas. Small Craft Advisory. Moderate short period waves.
- Afternoon Winds: SSE 20 to 25 knots.
- Afternoon Waves: SE8 feet at 9 seconds.
- Afternoon sea state: Strong SSE winds with very choppy seas. Small Craft Advisory. Moderate short period waves.
- Sunrise; 6:29AM and sunset; 6:25PM
- Visibility: Moderate (9-10 km)
- High Tide: 12:17PM; 2.5m
- Low Tide: 5:07AM; 1.41m, 7:27PM;1.34m

#### iii. KILIFI

- Morning Winds: S 24 to 31 knots.
- Morning Waves: SE9 feet at 9 seconds.
- Morning sea state: Strong S winds with very choppy seas. Small Craft Advisory. Moderate short period waves.
- Afternoon Winds: S 25 to 29 knots.
- Afternoon Waves: SSE 10 feet at9 seconds.
- Afternoon sea state: Strong S winds with very choppy seas. Small Craft Advisory. Moderate short period waves.
- Sunrise; 6.27AM and sunset; 6:25PM
- Visibility: Moderate (9-10km)
- High Tide: 12:13PM; 2.25m
- Low Tide: 4:52AM; 1.29m, 7:32PM;1.15m

# iv. LAMU

- Morning Winds: S 11 to 21 knots.
- Morning Waves: SE8 feet at 9 seconds.
- Morning sea state: Breezy S winds with moderate choppy seas. Moderate short period waves.
- Afternoon Winds: S 13 to 24 knots.
- Afternoon Waves: SSE 8 feet at 9 seconds.
- Afternoon sea state: Breezy S winds with moderate choppy seas. Moderate short period waves.
- Sunrise; 6:21AM and Sunset; 6:23PM
- Visibility: Moderate (9-10km)
- High Tide: 12:13PM; 2.18m, 11:17PM; 1.6m
- Low Tide: 4:50AM; 1.22m, 7:37PM;1.09m

# Advisory

- Moderate to rough sea conditions are expected with a significant wave height of 2.1-3.0m in Kwale, Mombasa, Kilifi and Lamu. Small boats and crafts are advised not to venture into deep sea in Kwale, Mombasa and Kilifi.
- Gentle to strong breeze of (11-31knots) expected in Kwale, Mombasa Kilifi and Lamu throughout the forecast period. Small boats and crafts are advised not to venture into deep sea in Kwale, Mombasa and Kilifi.

# **KEY ON SEA STATE**

WAVE HEIGHT RANGE	DESCRIPTION	IMPACT
(Meters)		
$0.6 - 1.0 \text{ m} \ (\approx 1.8 - 3.0 \text{ ft})$	Slight	<b>Conditions suitable for Marine activities</b>
$1.0 - 1.9 \text{ m}. (\approx 3.0 - 5.7 \text{ ft})$	Slight - Moderate	
$2.0 - 2.9 \text{ m} \ (\approx 6.0 - 8.7 \text{ ft})$	Moderate-Rough	Caution on operating marine activities
$3.0 - 4.0 \text{ m} \ (\approx 9.0 - 12.0 \text{ ft})$	Rough	Warning in place!!!!
$4.1 - 5.5 \text{ m} \ (\approx 12.3 - 16.5 \text{ ft})$	Very Rough	Warning in place and marine activities
		on hold

# **KEY ON SEA STATE**

WIND	RANGE	DESCRIPTIONS	IMPACT
	< 1 – 7 Knots	Calm to Light breeze	1 – 6 knots, the Ocean is relatively calm with very little disturbance. Suitable for Marine operations
	7 – 21 Knots	Gentle breeze to Fresh breeze	7-17 knots, small boats are likely to be filled with water sprays and become unstable. Caution in carrying out marine activities
	22 - ≥34 Knots	Strong breeze to Extremely Strong breeze	More than 21 knots, the ocean state is very much disturbed and the prevailing conditions are dangerous for marine operations. Warning in place!!!!!

In concurrence with outputs from relevant marine data platforms, acknowledgement is fully accorded to: ESSO- Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS), mercator-ocean.fr, COPERNICUS Marine Environment Monitoring Service (CMEMS) and other related sources.

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