

OAHU

Beach Hazard Ratings – ALWAYS USED GUARDED BEACHES

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NORTH SHORE

WAVES - Breaking Face Height Forecast – N, NW

WINDS - Offshore sign goes to RED at 15 kt, BLACK at 25 kt

Location	Breaker Face Height ft	0-1 "0-1"	1.1-3.0 "1 to 4"	3.1-4.0 "3 to 5"	4.1-5.0 "4 to 6"	5.1-6.0 "5 to 7"	6.1-7.0 "6 to 8"	7.1-8.0 "7 to 9"	8.1-9.0	9.1-15.0	>15.1
North Shore Haleiwa to V-land	Beach and nearshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				
	Offshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				
North Shore Sunset Guard Stand	Beach and nearshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				
	Offshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				
North Shore Alii Guard Stand	Beach and nearshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				
	Offshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				

WEST SHORE

WAVES - Breaking Face Height Forecast – N, NW, W

WINDS - Offshore sign goes to RED at 15 kt, BLACK at 25 kt

Location	Breaker Face Height ft	0-1 "0-1"	1.1-3.0 "1 to 4"	3.1-4.0 "3 to 5"	4.1-5.0 "4 to 6"	5.1-6.0 "5 to 7"	6.1-7.0 "6 to 8"	7.1-8.0 "7 to 9"	8.1-9.0	9.1-15.0	>15.1
West Shore	Beach and nearshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				
Tracks to Yokohama	Offshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				
West Shore Pokai Bay	Beach and nearshore	Caution					High Hazard		Extreme Hazard		
	Offshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				

SOUTH SHORE

WAVES - Breaking Face Height Forecast – S, SE, SW

WINDS - Offshore sign goes to RED at 15 kt, BLACK at 25 kt

Location	Breaker Face Height ft	0-1 "0-1"	1.1-3.0 "1 to 4"	3.1-4.0 "3 to 5"	4.1-5.0 "4 to 6"	5.1-6.0 "5 to 7"	6.1-7.0 "6 to 8"	7.1-8.0 "7 to 9"	8.1-9.0	9.1-15.0	>15.1
Ala Moana	Beach and nearshore	Caution (0-15.0)									High Hazard
	Offshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				
Royal Hawaiian to Tonggs	Beach and nearshore	Caution		High Hazard					Extreme Hazard		
	Offshore	Caution		High Hazard					Extreme Hazard		
Diamond Head	Beach and nearshore	Caution		High Hazard					Extreme Hazard		
	Offshore	Caution		High Hazard					Extreme Hazard		
Portlock Point	Rocky Shoreline	High Hazard				Extreme Hazard					

SOUTHEAST SHORE

WAVES - Breaking Face Height Forecast – NE, E, SE, S or Kaiwi Channel Forecast <http://www.prh.noaa.gov/hnl/pages/CWF.php>

WINDS - Offshore sign goes to RED at 15 kt, BLACK at 25 kt

Location	Breaker Face Height ft	0-1 "0-1"	1.1-3.0 "1 to 4"	3.1-4.0 "3 to 5"	4.1-5.0 "4 to 6"	5.1-6.0 "5 to 7"	6.1-7.0 "6 to 8"	7.1-8.0 "7 to 9"	8.1-9.0	9.1-15.0	>15.1
Hanauma Bay	Beach and nearshore	Caution							High Hazard	Extreme Hazard	
	Offshore	Caution			High Hazard						
Sandy Beach	Beach and nearshore	Caution	High Hazard			Extreme Hazard					
	Offshore	Caution			High Hazard			Extreme Hazard			
Makapuu Beach	Beach and nearshore	Caution		High Hazard		Extreme Hazard					
	Offshore	Caution			High Hazard			Extreme Hazard			

EAST SHORE

Breaking Face Height Forecast – E, NE

WINDS - Offshore sign goes to RED at 15 kt, BLACK at 25 kt

Location	Breaker Face Height ft	0-1 "0-1"	1.1-3.0 "1 to 4"	3.1-4.0 "3 to 5"	4.1-5.0 "4 to 6"	5.1-6.0 "5 to 7"	6.1-7.0 "6 to 8"	7.1-8.0 "7 to 9"	8.1-9.0	9.1-15.0	>15.1	
East Shore Waimanalo, Lanikai, Kailua,	Beach and nearshore	Caution				High Hazard			Extreme Hazard			
	Offshore	Caution		High Hazard								
East Shore Kailua Beach Park	Beach and nearshore	Caution						High Hazard		Extreme Hazard		
	Offshore	Caution			High Hazard							
East Shore Kualoa to Laie	Beach and nearshore	Caution			High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				
	Offshore	Caution			High Hazard					Extreme Hazard		

OAHU - Although all beaches are hazardous, in the absence of storm conditions or unusually high swell, generally safe beaches include:

- Ala Moana Beach Park
- Kailua Beach Park
- Waimanalo Beach Park
- Hanauma Bay
- Kaimana Beach, Waikiki
- Ft. DeRussy Beach, Waikiki
- Pokai Bay

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MAUI

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KIHEI SHORE

WAVES - Breaking Face Height Forecast – S, SW or Maalaea Bay <http://www.prh.noaa.gov/hnl/pages/CWF.php>

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Location	Breaker Face Height ft	0-1 "0-1"	1.1-3.0 "1 to 4"	3.1-4.0 "3 to 5"	4.1-5.0 "4 to 6"	5.1-6.0 "5 to 7"	6.1-7.0 "6 to 8"	7.1-8.0 "7 to 9"	8.1-9.0	9.1-15.0	>15.1
Kamaole 1 (caution)	Beach and nearshore	Caution			High Hazard			Extreme Hazard			
	Offshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				
Kamaole 2 (highly hazardous)	Beach and nearshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				
	Offshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				
Kamaole 3 (hazardous)	Beach and nearshore	Caution			High Hazard			Extreme Hazard			
	Offshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				
Makena (Big Beach) (highly hazardous)	Beach and nearshore	Caution	High Hazard			Extreme Hazard					
	Offshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				

WEST SHORE

WAVES - Breaking Face Height Forecast – N, S or Pailolo Channel <http://www.prh.noaa.gov/hnl/pages/CWF.php>

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HanaKao Beach Park	Beach and nearshore	Caution			High Hazard			Extreme Hazard			
	Offshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				
Kaanapali Beach	Beach and nearshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				
	Offshore	Caution			High Hazard			Extreme Hazard			

NORTH SHORE

WAVES - Breaking Face Height Forecast – N, NE, E

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D.T.Fleming Beach Park	Beach and nearshore	Caution		High Hazard		Extreme Hazard					
	Offshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				
Kanaha Beach Park	Beach and nearshore	Caution			High Hazard			Extreme Hazard			
	Offshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				
Baldwin Beach Park	Beach and nearshore	Caution			High Hazard			Extreme Hazard			
	Offshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				
Hookipa Beach Park	Beach and nearshore	Caution			High Hazard			Extreme Hazard			
	Offshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				

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Kamaole I Beach Park

Hanakaoo Beach Park

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KAUAI

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		"0-1"	"1 to 4"	"3 to 5"	"4 to 6"	"5 to 7"	"6 to 8"	"7 to 9"			
Ke'e Beach	Beach and nearshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				
	Offshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				

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		"0-1"	"1 to 4"	"3 to 5"	"4 to 6"	"5 to 7"	"6 to 8"	"7 to 9"			
Haena Beach	Beach and nearshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				
	Offshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				

NORTH SHORE

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		"0-1"	"1 to 4"	"3 to 5"	"4 to 6"	"5 to 7"	"6 to 8"	"7 to 9"			
Pine Trees (Hanalei)	Beach and nearshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				
	Offshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				
Pavillion (Hanalei)	Beach and nearshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				
	Offshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				

EAST SHORE

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		"0-1"	"1 to 4"	"3 to 5"	"4 to 6"	"5 to 7"	"6 to 8"	"7 to 9"			
Kealia	Beach and nearshore	Caution			High Hazard		Extreme Hazard				
	Offshore	Caution			High Hazard		Extreme Hazard				
Wailua	Beach and nearshore	Caution			High Hazard		Extreme Hazard				
	Offshore	Caution			High Hazard		Extreme Hazard				
Lydgate Pond	Beach and nearshore	Caution				High Hazard		Extreme Hazard			
Lydgate Beach	Beach and nearshore	Caution			High Hazard		Extreme Hazard				
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Poipu Beach Park	Beach and nearshore	Caution						High Hazard		Extreme Hazard		
	Offshore	Caution			High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				
Salt Pond	Beach and nearshore	Caution					High Hazard		Extreme Hazard			
	Offshore	Caution			High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				
Kekaha	Beach and nearshore	Caution				High Hazard		Extreme Hazard				
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- Poipu Beach Park
- Lydgate Beach Park

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HAWAII ISLAND

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Spencer Beach	Beach and nearshore	Caution (0-15.0)									High Hazard
	Offshore	Caution					High Hazard				
Hapuna Beach	Beach and nearshore	Caution		High Hazard			Extreme Hazard				
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White Sands Beach	Beach and nearshore	Caution			High Hazard			Extreme Hazard			
	Offshore	Caution		High Hazard		Extreme Hazard					
Kahaluu Beach	Beach and nearshore	Caution					High Hazard		Extreme Hazard		
	Offshore	Caution		High Hazard		Extreme Hazard					

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Honolii Beach	Beach and nearshore	Caution				High Hazard		Extreme Hazard			
	Offshore	Caution		High Hazard				Extreme Hazard			
Onekahakaha Beach	Beach and nearshore	Caution (0-15.0)									High Hazard
	Offshore	Caution					High Hazard			Extreme Hazard	
Carlsmith Beach	Beach and nearshore	Caution					High Hazard		Extreme Hazard		
	Offshore	Caution			High Hazard			Extreme Hazard			
Leleiwi Beach	Beach and nearshore	Caution			High Hazard			Extreme Hazard			
	Offshore	Caution		High Hazard				Extreme Hazard			
Richardson Beach	Beach and nearshore	Caution				High Hazard			Extreme Hazard		
	Offshore	Caution		High Hazard				Extreme Hazard			

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Ahalahui Beach (water quality problems)	Beach and nearshore	Caution							High Hazard		Extreme Hazard
	Offshore	Caution					High Hazard		Extreme Hazard		

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- Kahaluu Beach Park
- Onekahakaha Beach Park
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