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**Weather Bulletin**

**Issued at:** 7am

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2020**

**Present Weather:** Cloudy

**Winds:** A fresh breeze of 23mph from the ENE

**Temperature:** 26°C / 79°F

**Humidity:** 75%

**Sea Level Pressure:** 1020.0mbs or 30.12"

**Sunrise:** Tom 6:43 am

**Sunset:** Today 5:54 pm

**Weather Forecast Valid until 8am Tomorrow**

**Winds: East-northeast at 18 to 27mph gusting high during showers, as well as over open waters and elevated areas.**

**Seas: 2.4 to 3.7m or 8 to 12ft. A firm warning remains in place for small craft operators against dangerous sea conditions. Hence small craft operators are urged to stay in port!**

**Weather Forecast for St. Kitts & Nevis:** Today will be partly cloudy and breezy with a 60 percent or a moderate chance of showers. Tonight will be partly cloudy and breezy with a 60 percent or a moderate chance of late night to early morning showers.

**Eastern Caribbean Forecast:** Across the Eastern Caribbean from the B.V.I. southwards to T&T we can expect partly cloudy and windy conditions with a moderate chance of showers as a fresh to brisk trade wind flow generated by a strong Atlantic high pressure system transports pockets of low level moisture over and around the Islands occasionally.

**END**

## **Urgent – Marine Weather Message**

### **Small Craft Warning**

**Antigua and Barbuda Meteorological Services**

**8:25 PM Thursday 9 January 2020**

**Small craft warning is in effect for the waters of Antigua and Barbuda, St. Kitts and Nevis and the rest of the Leeward Islands and the British Virgin Islands.**

**Hazardous seas, due to strong winds resulting from a very tight pressure gradient, are expected to be an extreme threat to the life and property of mariners.**

**Winds: East-northeast at 30 to 44 km/h (16 to 24 knots, 18 to 28 mph), gusting to gale-force or around 65km/h (35 knots, 40 mph).**

**Waves/seas: 2 to over 4 metres or 7 to 14 feet, occasionally reaching over 5 metres or 18 feet. Dominant wave period is 8 to 11 seconds.**

**Locations (to be) affected: Mainly open waters, especially on the Atlantic, eastern or windward side of the islands.**

**Timing: Until Wednesday.**

**Impacts (possible/likely/expected): Loss of life; injuries; sea search and rescue disruptions; disruptions to sea transportation; scarcity of sea food; damage or loss of boats and fishing equipment; disruptions to marine recreation and businesses and economic losses.**

**Precautionary/preparedness actions: A small craft warning means that wind speeds, in this case, of 41km/h or higher (22 knots or higher) and or wind waves and or wind swells of 9 feet or greater are expected to produce hazardous wave conditions to small crafts.**

**Small craft operators should stay in port and safeguard their vessels.**

**Please continue to monitor.**

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