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High Risk of Rip Currents and Small Craft Advisory Remain in Effect; Wind Advisory in Effect

The National Weather Service (NWS) Guam Weather Forecast Office has the following advisories in effect:

A high risk of rip currents remains in effect for Guam, Rota, Tinian, and Saipan through late Monday night along east facing reefs. Rip currents can sweep even the best swimmers away from the shore into deeper water. If caught in a rip current, do not swim against the current. Swim in a direction following the shoreline, face the shore and call or wave for help.

A **small craft advisory** is in effect for the coastal waters of Guam, Rota, Tinian, and Saipan until 6 p.m. Monday. East winds of 15 to 20 knots, with gusts to 25 knots, and seas of 7 to 10 feet are expected. Inexperienced mariners, especially those operating smaller vessels, should avoid boating in hazardous conditions.

An **airport wind advisory** is in effect for the Guam International Airport until 9:15 p.m. this evening. Winds of 15 to 20 knots, with gusts to 25 knots, are possible especially in heavier showers. Practice caution while traveling this evening.

The Offices of Guam Homeland Security and Civil Defense (GHS/OCD) remind the community to avoid hazardous seas and dangerous rip currents. Inexperienced swimmers should remain out of the water while the advisories are in effect.

Visit the following links for the latest advisory information:

- NWS Website: https://www.weather.gov/gum/
- NWS Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/NWSGuam/
- GHS/OCD Website: https://ghs.guam.gov/
- GHS/OCD Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/GHSOCD/

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