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Short Term Forecast Issued, Heavy Rain Expected

The National Weather Service (NWS), Weather Forecast Office Guam issued a **short term forecast** for the coastal waters of Guam, Rota, Tinian, and Saipan. Through 1:30 a.m. early Thursday morning, an area of moderate to heavy showers and isolated thunderstorms is slowly moving across the western waters of the Marianas.

Boaters can expect visibility down to a quarter of a mile with wind gusts to 20 knots in heavy showers. If thunder is heard or lightning is seen, boaters are advised to get below deck and avoid touching metal parts. For those near the shores, return to harbor until weather has improved.

A **thunderstorm advisory** is in effect for the Guam International Airport until 6:30 a.m. Thursday morning. Thunderstorms are expected within 20 nautical miles of the airport. Be alert and take precautions as required.

The Offices of Guam Homeland Security and Civil Defense (GHS/OCD) advise the community to practice extreme caution while traveling in rainy conditions, driving below the speed limit and allowing enough braking distance between vehicles.

Visit the following links for the latest information:

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