

KAUAI OCEAN REPORT

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SAFETY TIPS



- ◆ **SWIM AT LIFEGUARDED BEACHES** - ask lifeguards for safety and swimming tips.
- ◆ **CONDITIONS CONSTANTLY CHANGE** - daily and seasonal changes must be monitored closely.
- ◆ **WAVES COME IN SETS** - it can look calm for up to 20 minutes between dangerous sets of huge waves.
- ◆ **HAZARDS CAN EXIST IN ANY COASTAL AREA**, not just in the water. Be careful on wet sand and rocks.
- ◆ **DO NOT FIGHT A RIP CURRENT** - if caught in a current keep calm, float, breathe, don't panic, and wait for help. Go **WITH** the current and conserve energy.
- ◆ Use the **BUDDY SYSTEM** - never swim alone
- ◆ **WHEN IN DOUBT - DON'T GO OUT!** Know your limits!

HIGH SURF WARNING



HIGH SURF ADVISORY FOR NORTH & WEST FACING SHORES. Watch out for powerful surf & currents today. Always use caution & consult lifeguards before entering the water - WHEN IN DOUBT DON'T GO OUT!

OCEAN REPORT DISCUSSION

New NW swell rose yesterday and is currently in the 8-12' range. Much lighter winds for the next couple days. Calmest swimming / snorkeling on South facing shores. Generally sunny. Always use caution - esp. when unfamiliar & help is a long way away. Recommended lifeguarded beaches: Hanalei Pavilion, Kealia, Lydgate, Poipu, Salt Pond.

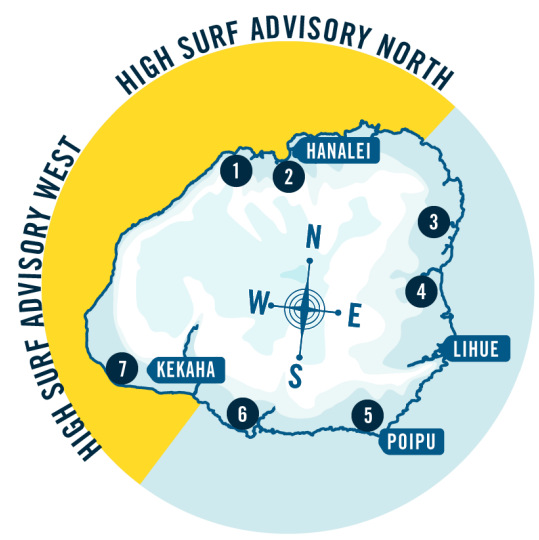
Outlook to Wed Feb 8: today's NW swell will slowly decline over the weekend, then warning-level NW swell Mon-Tues.

FORECAST SURF HEIGHTS

North	12 to 16 ft
West	8 to 12 ft
South	1 to 3 ft
East	2 to 4 ft

SURF ADVISORY MAP

Lifeguard tower locations correspond to those shown on the surf observations table.



LIFEGUARD OBSERVATIONS

STATION	SURF	WIND	VISIBILITY
1 Haena	6-12 ft	5-15 kt	good
2 Hanalei	4-7 ft	5-15 kt	good
3 Kealia	2-6 ft	5-15 kt	fair
4 Lydgate	2-4 ft	5-15 kt	fair
5 Poipu	1-2 ft	5-15 kt	good
6 Salt Pond ...	FL-2 ft	5-15 kt	good
7 Kekaha	1-2 ft	5-15 kt	fair

Lifeguards report on ocean conditions daily at 9AM. Please consult lifeguards on location for advice on current conditions and trends.

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