

## BAHAMAS, THE

### SUMMARY OF CLAIMS

TYPE	DATE	SOURCE	LIMITS	NOTES
TERRITORIAL SEA	Dec 1993	<a href="#">Archipelagic Waters and Maritime Jurisdiction Act, No. 37</a>	12nm	Extended territorial sea from 3nm to 12nm. Repealed colonial legislation, UK Territorial Waters Jurisdiction Act of 1878, as it applied to The Bahamas. Authorizes but does not establish new territorial sea baselines.
	Dec 2008	Archipelagic Waters and Maritime Jurisdiction (Archipelagic Baselines) Order, 2008		Establishes <a href="#">geographical coordinates</a> of points for drawing the archipelagic baselines which constitute the outer limits of the archipelagic waters and the inner limits of the territorial sea.  Go to <a href="#">State Department LIS page</a> and click on <a href="#">LIS</a> No. 128 for texts of 1993 and 2008 laws, U.S. analysis, and map.
ARCHIPELAGIC, STRAIGHT BASELINES, & HISTORIC CLAIMS	Dec 1993	<a href="#">Archipelagic Waters and Maritime Jurisdiction Act, No. 37</a>		Authorizes but does not establish new archipelagic baselines. Authorizes but does not establish archipelagic sea lanes.
	Dec 2008	Archipelagic Waters and Maritime Jurisdiction (Archipelagic Baselines) Order, 2008		Establishes <a href="#">geographical coordinates</a> of points for drawing the archipelagic baselines which constitute the outer limits of the archipelagic waters and the inner limits of the territorial sea.  Go to <a href="#">State Department LIS page</a> and click on <a href="#">LIS</a> No. 128 for texts of 1993 and 2008 laws, U.S. analysis, and map.
CONTINENTAL SHELF	Jun 1977	<a href="#">Fisheries Resources (Jurisdiction and Conservation) Act, No. 13</a>	1958 DEF	
FISHING ZONE/EEZ	Jun 1977	<a href="#">Fisheries Resources (Jurisdiction and Conservation) Act, No. 13</a>	12nm	Exclusive fishery zone.
	Dec 1993	<a href="#">Archipelagic Waters and Maritime Jurisdiction Act, No. 37</a>	200nm	Declared EEZ (subsumes Fisheries Resources Act of 1977 exclusive fishing zone).
	Dec 2008	Archipelagic Waters and Maritime Jurisdiction (Archipelagic Baselines) Order, 2008		Establishes <a href="#">geographical coordinates</a> for the baselines from which the EEZ shall be measured.  Go to <a href="#">State Department LIS page</a> and click on <a href="#">LIS</a> No. 128 for texts of 1993 and 2008 laws, U.S. analysis, and map.
MARITIME BOUNDARIES	Dec 1993	<a href="#">Archipelagic Waters and Maritime Jurisdiction Act, No. 37</a>		In absence of agreements with bordering States, territorial sea and EEZ boundaries will not extend beyond the median line.
	Mar 2012	<a href="#">Agreement with Cuba</a>		Maritime boundary agreement with Cuba EIF; signed October 2011.

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<b>LOS CONVENTION</b>	Dec 1982			Signed Convention.
	Jul 1983			Ratified Convention.
	Jul 1994			Signed Part XI Agreement.
	Jul 1995			Bound by Part XI Agreement.