

BAHAMAS, THE

SUMMARY OF CLAIMS

TYPE	DATE	SOURCE	LIMITS	NOTES
TERRITORIAL SEA	Dec 1993	Archipelagic Waters and Maritime Jurisdiction Act, No. 37	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 Repealed colonial legislation, UK Territorial Waters Jurisdiction Act of 1878, as it applied to The Bahamas.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 geographical coordinates of points for drawing the archipelagic baselines which constitute the outer limits of the archipelagic waters and the inner limits of the territorial sea.
ARCHIPELAGIC, STRAIGHT BASELINES, & HISTORIC CLAIMS	Dec 1993	Archipelagic Waters and Maritime Jurisdiction Act, No. 37		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 geographical coordinates of points for drawing the archipelagic baselines which constitute the outer limits of the archipelagic waters and the inner limits of the territorial sea.
CONTINENTAL SHELF	Jun 1977	Fisheries Resources Act	1958 DEF	
FISHING ZONE/EEZ	Dec 1993	Archipelagic Waters and Maritime Jurisdiction Act, No. 37	200nm	Declared EEZ (subsumes Fisheries Resources Act of 1977 exclusive fishing zone).
	Dec 2008	Archipelagic Waters and Maritime Jurisdiction (Archipelagic Baselines) Order, 2008		Establishes geographical coordinates for the baselines from which the EEZ shall be measured.
MARITIME BOUNDARIES	Dec 1993	Archipelagic Waters and Maritime Jurisdiction Act, No. 37		In absence of agreements with bordering States, territorial sea and EEZ boundaries will not extend beyond the median line.
LOS CONVENTION	Dec 1982			Signed Convention.
	Jul 1983			Ratified Convention.
	Jul 1994			Signed Part XI Agreement.
	Jul 1995			Bound by Part XI Agreement.