

OVERVIEW:

- Strong to locally damaging northwest wind gusts develop tonight into Friday.
- Gusts 45-50 mph in lower elevations, but gusts to 60 mph expected in the eastern slopes of the Berkshires and central MA.

TIMING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gusts increase 6-8 PM tonight. Peak of the wind gusts midnight to 5 PM Friday in the higher elevations, and peak gusts in lower elevations around 5 AM to 5 PM Friday.
HAZARDS & IMPACTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Downed trees and powerlines, possible anywhere but particularly in the high terrain. Possible damage to structures. Hazardous conditions for mariners.
NWS ALERTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High Wind Warning: 7 PM Thurs to 7 PM Fri for the east slopes of the Berkshires and central MA Wind Advisory: 7 PM Thurs to 7 PM Fri for the rest of Southern New England.
FORECAST CHALLENGES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strong gusts may linger into Saturday which may prompt an extension of wind headlines. Might wet ground from recent rain and snowmelt lead to more trees/power lines downed?
POST-EVENT OUTLOOK	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dry weather expected Friday night. Another possible round of gusty winds on Sat, but may not be as strong as tonight/Fri.
NEXT BRIEFING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By 6 AM Friday.

Forecast Maximum Wind Gusts

Valid: 7 PM Thu Mar 6th, 2025 to 7 PM Fri Mar 7th, 2025

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