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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore  
for the period 0600 UTC Wednesday 02 May to 0600 UTC Thursday 03 May 2012

#### General Situation

High pressure over Scotland will decline, bringing all but the far north under the influence of a northeasterly airstream.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate in north.

Fog patches later.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming north 5 or 6.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later in north.

Fog patches, then rain for a time, then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or less.

Slight.

Fog patches later.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less, becoming north 5 or 6 later.

Slight, occasionally moderate later near Rattray Head.

Fog patches at first, rain for a time, then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast 3 or 4.

Slight.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Rain later.

Moderate or good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

North 3 or 4, veering northeast 4 or 5.

Slight becoming moderate.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 4 or 5, backing north 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northwesterly 3 or 4, veering northeasterly 4 or 5.  
Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.  
Fog patches at first, occasional rain or showers.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northeasterly 4 or 5, decreasing 3 later.  
Slight or moderate.  
Rain or thundery showers, fog patches.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northwesterly 3 or 4.  
Smooth or slight.  
Fog patches, occasional rain or showers later.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northwesterly 3 or 4.  
Smooth or slight.  
Rain or thundery showers, fog patches.  
Moderate, occasionally very poor at first, becoming moderate or good later.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less.  
Smooth or slight.  
Fog patches, occasional rain.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less.  
Smooth or slight.  
Occasional rain or showers later.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

Easterly or northeasterly 3 or 4, increasing 5 for a time in southwest, becoming variable 3 or less for a time in east.  
Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.  
Fog patches, occasional rain later.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4.  
Smooth or slight.  
Occasional rain.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4.  
Smooth or slight.  
Fog patches, occasional rain later.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less.  
Smooth or slight.  
Occasional rain.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northeast, becoming variable, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 4 or 5 at first in north, otherwise variable 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or less for a time, then northwesterly 4 or 5 later near Mull of Galloway.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast, occasionally 5 later in north.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or northeast, backing north or northwest for a time, 3 or 4, decreasing 3 or less for a time.

Smooth or slight.

Rain later.

Good, locy moderate later.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

Easterly or northeasterly 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming northwesterly 5 or 6 later in northeast.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate later.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain at first.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming northwesterly 5 or 6 later in North Channel.  
Smooth or slight, becoming moderate later in North Channel.  
Mainly fair.  
Moderate or good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point

24 hour forecast:

Easterly 4 at first in far south, otherwise variable 3 or less, becoming northerly 4 or 5 later in north.  
Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.  
Occasional rain at first, fog patches later.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming north or northwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 later.  
Slight or moderate.  
Fog patches at first, then rain for a time.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

The Minch

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming northerly 4 or 5 later in south.  
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate later in far north.  
Fog patches later.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest 3 or 4, veering northeast 5 to 7 later.  
Smooth or slight, becoming moderate.  
Fog patches, then rain for a time.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming northerly 4 or 5 later in south.  
Slight or moderate.  
Fog patches later.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest 3 or 4, veering northeast 5 to 7 later.  
Moderate, becoming rough later in north.  
Fog patches, then rain for a time.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland

Valid Wednesday 02 May 2012 at 0600 UTC until Wednesday 02 May 2012 at 1800 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Weak trough over northeastern waters at first with high pressure soon building across, sinking south by Thursday.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil

Westerly or northwest 3, occasionally 4 in far north and west.  
Slight or moderate.  
Mainly fair, occasional light rain in north at first.  
Good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1800 UTC on Wednesday 02 May until 0600 UTC on

Thursday 03 May:

Northwest 3 backing westerly 4 occasionally 5 later in north and west.

Slight or moderate.

Fair at first then light rain or drizzle.

Good becoming occasionally moderate.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

East to northeast 2 to 4, becoming variable 1 to 3 during the evening.

Slight.

Fog or mist patches in the north by midday risk of light rain overnight in the north.

Good becoming locally moderate, and poor or very poor in fog.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 1 to 3 becoming northeast 2 or 3 during the afternoon, .

Smooth or slight.

Risk of mist and fog patches.

Moderate to good, locally poor or very poor in fog.

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