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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1200 UTC Thursday 02 April to 1200 UTC Friday 03 April 2020

General Situation

Gale force northwesterly winds currently affecting northern areas will gradually ease during the remainder of Thursday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 7 to severe gale 9 decreasing 4 to 6, becoming variable 3 at times later.

Slight or moderate in Moray Firth, otherwise mainly rough or very rough, but occasionally high at first to the west and north of Orkney.

Squally sleet and snow showers, occasionally thundery.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 2 to 4, occasionally northwesterly 5 at first, becoming southwesterly 5 to 7 later.

Slight or moderate in Moray Firth, otherwise moderate or rough.

Snow showers then rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first, and becoming poor at times later.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first in north, backing westerly 4 to 6.

Rough at first near Rattray Head, otherwise slight or moderate.

Squally wintry showers, occasionally thundery in north.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 to 6 becoming variable 2 to 4, then southwest 4 to 6 later.

Slight or moderate.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 5 to 7 backing west 4 to 6.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough for a time.

Showers, occasionally wintry.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West backing south or southwest, 3 to 5, becoming variable 2 for a time at first.

Slight or moderate.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 4 to 6, occasionally 3 later.

Slight becoming moderate, then becoming rough for a time in north.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 3 to 5 becoming variable 2 to 4, then south or southwest 3 or 4 later.
Slight or moderate.
Showers then fair.
Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly veering northwesterly, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north, decreasing 3 at times in south.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate in north.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or northwesterly 3 to 5 becoming variable 2 to 4 then southwesterly 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate in north, smooth or slight in south.

Showers then fair.

Good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly 3 or 4 increasing 5 or 6, then veering northwesterly 3 to 5, becoming variable 3 or less later.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate for a time.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less becoming southerly or southwesterly 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Showers then fair.

Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

West veering northwest 3 to 5, then becoming variable 3 or less later.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate for a time.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less, increasing 4 at times, becoming southerly or southeasterly 3 or 4 later, occasionally 5 later in west.

Smooth or slight.

Showers then fair.

Good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 3 to 5, occasionally variable 2 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate for a time in west.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable becoming southwest 2 to 4, then backing south or southeast 4 or 5 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate in west.

Showers then fair.

Good.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 4 to 6 veering northwest 3 to 5, becoming variable 2 to 4 later.
Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight later.
Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 2 to 4, becoming south or southeast 4 to 6 later.
Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate later near pembrokeshire.
Showers then fair.
Good.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West 4 to 6 veering northwest 3 to 5, then backing west 2 to 4 later.
Slight or moderate, becoming slight later.
Occasional rain or showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West 2 to 4 backing southwest 4 or 5, then south 5 or 6 later.
Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate later.
Showers then fair.
Good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or northwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.
Slight or moderate, becoming slight later.
Rain or showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West backing southwest, then south later, 3 to 5.
Slight, becoming slight or moderate later in northwest.
Showers.
Good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or northwest 4 to 6, backing west or southwest 3 or 4 later.
Moderate, becoming slight later.
Rain or drizzle then mainly fair.
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 3 to 5.
Slight, becoming slight or moderate later.
Occasional rain then mainly fair.
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northwesterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first in north, backing westerly 3 to 5.
Rough until later in far north, otherwise mainly light or moderate, but
occasionally smooth later in southeast.
Showers, perhaps wintry later.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West backing southwest 3 or 4, occasionally 2 at first, then backing south 4 or
5 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth at first in east.
Showers, wintry at first.
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 5 to 7 backing westerly 3 to 5.

Rough at first near the Mull of Kintyre, otherwise mainly slight or moderate, but occasionally smooth in Firth of Clyde.

Showers, perhaps wintry later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly backing southerly or southwesterly, 3 to 5, occasionally 2 at first.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in Firth of Clyde.

Showers, wintry at first.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 6 or 7 decreasing 4 or 5, then backing west 3 or 4 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first near islay and Tiree, becoming slight or moderate later.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 3 or 4 backing southwest 4 or 5, then south 4 to 6 later.

Slight or moderate.

Wintry showers then occasional rain.

Good, occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, backing west 4 or 5 later.

Very rough at first in far north, otherwise moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate in central areas.

Squally wintry showers, perhaps thundery in north.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Cyclonic mainly west 3 to 5 becoming south or southwest 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough in far northeast, otherwise slight or moderate.

Wintry showers then rain.

Good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, backing westerly 4 or 5 later, then becoming cyclonic 3 later in far north.

Very rough or high becoming rough or very rough, then moderate or rough later.

Squally wintry showers, perhaps thundery in north.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Cyclonic mainly west 3 to 5 becoming south or southwest 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough.

Wintry showers then rain.

Good, occasionally poor.

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

Valid Thursday 02 Apr 2020 at 1200 UTC until Friday 03 Apr 2020 at 0000 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Deep low in the Norwegian Sea moves east into Scandinavia with a very strong, unstable and cold northwesterly airstream becoming established over Shetland waters.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle at time of issue: Severe gale force 9 veering northwesterly and increasing storm force 10 soon (issues 01/2205z)

Northwest 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 at first, decreasing 6 to gale 8 later

High at first, otherwise rough or very rough, but moderate in well sheltered eastern waters

Wintry showers, thundery at times

Good, occasionally poor

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0000 UTC on Friday 03 Apr until 1200 UTC on Friday 03 Apr:

Northwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first

Rough or very rough, moderate in well sheltered eastern waters

Wintry showers

Good, occasionally poor

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 2 to 4, increasing 4 to 5 by late afternoon, decreasing 3 to 4 around midnight, becoming variable 1 to 3 towards midday.

Slight, perhaps occasionally moderate overnight.

Risk of light showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 1 to 3 becoming southeast by midnight, increasing 2 to 4 by dawn.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

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