

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Monday 08 Mar 2021 until 23:59 on Tuesday 09 Mar 2021

Forecast Issued on Sunday 07 Mar 2021 at 16:08 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for the change to more unsettled conditions. Medium for cloud amounts.

Headline for Monday 08 Mar 2021: Outbreaks of rain and summit sleet or snow at first. Becoming drier and brighter.

Mountain weather hazards on Monday 08 Mar 2021

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Heavy Snow

No Likelihood

Storm force winds

No Likelihood

Gales

No Likelihood

Severe chill effect

No Likelihood

Poor visibility

Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight

No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
							
Sleet	Sleet	Sleet	Fog	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Mist
Precipitation probability							
80%	70%	50%	40%	30%	30%	30%	40%

Forecast for Monday 08 Mar 2021

Weather: Cloudy with outbreaks of rain and drizzle with sleet and snow over the highest summits overnight and early morning. Much of this dying out during the morning with bright spells developing in the afternoon. The best of the brightness from Torridon northwards with extensive cloud and patchy rain possible persisting over Skye and into Knoydart.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Nil to 30% in the south, becoming 70% in the north in the afternoon.

Visibility: Mostly good or very good lower down, but moderate or poor in rain and drizzle. Poor or very poor at times at height, extensive cloud base 600 to 900m, patches to 300m possible early and later in the day. Cloud becoming more broken in the north in the afternoon, bases near or above the summits.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	26/30 W	23/28 W	20/24 W	13/16 W	7/9 SW	9/12 SW	14/18 S	17/21 S	19/24 S
900	25/30 W	22/27 W	19/23 W	12/15 W	6/9 SW	9/12 SW	14/19 S	17/21 S	18/22 S
600	16/22 W	15/19 W	13/17 W	9/12 NW	6/9 SW	8/11 SW	10/14 S	11/16 S	12/17 S
300	5/22 W	5/21 W	5/19 W	3/12 W	2/7 SW	4/10 SW	4/13 S	3/12 S	4/14 S
Glen	8/17 W	6/14 W	5/12 W	2/6 W	2/5 SW	4/8 S	3/9 S	6/12 SE	6/13 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	1/-6	1/-6	1/-5	0/-5	1/-2	1/-2	1/-4	1/-4	1/-5
900	2/-5	2/-5	1/-4	1/-4	2/-1	2/-2	2/-3	2/-4	2/-4
600	4/-1	3/-1	3/-1	3/-0	4/2	5/2	4/1	4/0	4/-0
300	5/4	5/3	5/3	5/4	7/6	8/6	6/4	5/4	5/4
Glen	7/5	7/5	7/5	7/7	8/8	9/8	8/7	8/6	7/6
Freezing Level*	1200m	1100m	1100m	1000m	1100m	1100m	1200m	1300m	1200m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Chilly over the summits with temperatures around freezing.

Forecast for Tuesday 09 Mar 2021

Weather: Rather cloudy with patchy light rain and drizzle, although drier in the north with the cloud lifting and breaking in the afternoon. Heavy rain and summit snow in the evening. Severe southerly gales also developing.

Maximum wind: South or SW 15 to 25mph, increasing 40 gusts 60mph in the evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 30%, but 70% in the north in the afternoon.

Visibility: Moderate or poor in rain and drizzle, but mostly good or very good lower down. Poor or very poor at times at height, extensive cloud, base 600m or less early and later in the day. Rising near or above the summits in the north during the afternoon, breaking at times.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 2 Celsius rising to 10 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 3 Celsius
Freezing level: Near or above the highest summits