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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0000 UTC Tuesday 04 December to 0000 UTC Wednesday 05 December
2012

General Situation

A front, lying across northeast Scotland, will move slowly southwestwards across Scotland during Tuesday. A complex low will also move southeastwards, across England and Wales, with a cold northerly airflow spreading to all areas of the United Kingdom by midday on Wednesday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic 4 or 5 at first in Moray Firth, otherwise east 5 to 7, backing north later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in north.

Wintry showers, rain or sleet at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first, decreasing 3 or 4, then backing west or southwest later.

Mainly moderate in Moray Firth, otherwise rough or very rough.

Snow showers, fair later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest, veering east, 5 or 6, then backing northwest later.

Moderate or rough.

Rain or sleet, then wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest 5 to 7, then backing west 3 or 4 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough for a time near Rattray Head.

Snow showers, fair later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 5 or 6, veering east 4, then backing north later.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain, wintry showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7, then backing west 3 or 4 later.

Moderate or rough.

Snow showers then fair.

Good, occasionally poor.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 5 or 6, veering northeast 3 or 4 later.

Moderate or rough.

Fair then showers, becoming wintry later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast, backing northwest, 3 or 4, increasing 6 or 7, then decreasing 4 or 5

later.
Moderate or rough.
Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:
Westerly or northwesterly 5 or 6, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.
Moderate, occasionally rough in north.
Fair then showers.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable, becoming northwesterly, 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7.
Moderate, becoming rough in northeast.
Showers, becoming wintry.
Good, occasionally moderate.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:
Westerly or northwesterly 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4.
Moderate or rough.
Showers later.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly, veering northerly or northwesterly, 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 in east.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate later.
Showers.
Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:
West or northwest 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4.
Moderate or rough.
Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West, veering north or northwest, 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 for a time.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate later.
Showers.
Good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:
Westerly or northwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later in far west.
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough or high in west.
Squally showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or northwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first in far west, veering northerly 5 or 6, then decreasing 3 or 4 later.
Moderate or rough in east, but very rough or high at first in west.
Showers, squally at first.
Good.

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

24 hour forecast:
West or northwest 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 for a time later near Lands End.
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough later in west.
Squally showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest, veering north, 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4, then backing west later.

Rough or very rough, becoming moderate or rough later.

Showers, squally at first.

Good.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 5 to 7, veering north 5 or 6 later.

Moderate or rough.

Showers, squally for a time.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 5 or 6, backing west 3 or 4 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate later.

Showers.

Good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 5 to 7, veering northeast 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, but rough for a time in south.

Showers, squally for a time.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast, backing northwest, 4 or 5, backing west 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 5 to 7, veering north or northeast 4 or 5 later.

Moderate, occasionally rough.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northeast 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 5 to 7, veering north 5 or 6 later.

Moderate in east, rough, occasionally very rough for a time in north.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4, then backing southwest 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate in east, moderate or rough in north.

Showers.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 5 to 7, veering north 5 or 6 later.

Slight or moderate, but rough for a time.
Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4, then backing southwest 4 or 5 later.
Slight or moderate.
Showers.
Good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northwest, veering north, 5 or 6.
Rough or very rough.
Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North 5 or 6 decreasing 3 or 4, then backing southwest 4 or 5 later.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first in far west.
Showers at first.
Good.

The Minch - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West 3 or 4, veering north or northeast 5 to 7.
Slight or moderate, but rough or very rough in far north and far south.
Showers, becoming wintry in north.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North or northeast 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4, then backing south or southwest 5 or 6 later.
Moderate or rough, but mainly slight near skye.
Wintry showers, rain later.
Good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West 3 or 4, veering north or northeast 5 to 7.
Very rough, becoming rough later.
Showers, becoming wintry in north.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North or northeast 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4, then backing south or southwest 5 or 6 later.
Rough, occasionally very rough at first in north, becoming moderate later.
Wintry showers, rain later.
Good, occasionally poor.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Tuesday 04 Dec 2012 at 0000 UTC until Tuesday 04 Dec 2012 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

An easterly flow over Shetland will gradually back as a complex area of low pressure over northern UK and the North Sea moves away south.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Southeasterly gale force 8 expected soon.

East or northeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6, backing north or northeast 4 or 5.
Moderate or rough.
Wintry showers.
Good becoming moderate or poor in showers.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Tuesday 04 Dec until 0000 UTC on Wednesday 05 Dec:

North or northeast 4 or 5 increasing 6 or 7, locally gale 8 at times later.
Moderate or rough becoming rough or very rough.
Wintry showers.
Good, becoming moderate or poor in showers.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 5 or 6 with gusts to 40kt, locally 7, backing west for a time late Tuesday evening.
Rather rough to rough.
Squally rain or hail showers with a risk of thunder.
Moderate to poor in showers, otherwise good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 or 6 with gusts to 40kt, locally 7 at first, veering northerly around dawn, decreasing 4 in the evening.
Rather rough to rough, moderating in the evening.
Squally rain or hail showers with a risk of thunder, becoming isolated by midday and dying out in the afternoon.
Good, locally moderate to poor in showers.

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