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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0600 UTC Wednesday 03 August to 0600 UTC Thursday 04 August 2011

General Situation

The British Isles will remain under a slack airflow today with generally light winds bringing the threat of fog in places, especially in the northeast. However, tonight and tomorrow an area of locally very heavy rain will move in from the southwest.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less becoming east or southeast 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate at first near Orkney.

Showers, fog banks.

Moderate, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly or southeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in north, becoming variable later.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in north.

Rain or showers, fog banks.

Moderate, occasionally very poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, occasionally 4 later near Rattray Head.

Smooth or slight.

Showers, fog banks.

Moderate or poor, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable mainly east, becoming west later, 2 or 3, increasing 4 at times.

Smooth or slight.

Showers then rain, fog banks.

Moderate to very poor, becoming mainly good later.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming southeast 3 or 4 later.

Smooth or slight.

Showers, fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast, veering west later, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Rain for a time with fog banks, fair later.

Moderate to very poor, becoming good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming south or southeast 3 or 4 later.

Smooth or slight.

Showers, becoming fair later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast, veering west or southwest later, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Rain for a time.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less becoming southerly or southeasterly 3 or 4, veering southwesterly later.

Smooth or slight.

Showers then fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, backing southeasterly 5 or 6 for a time.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.

Rain for a time.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less becoming southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 near headlands, backing southerly later.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight occasionally moderate later.

Showers then fair.

Moderate or poor, becoming good for a time.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southeasterly 3 or 4 increasing 5 or 6, then veering westerly or southwesterly 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Rain then fair.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less becoming southwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5 near headlands, backing south later.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight occasionally moderate later.

Rain later.

Moderate or good, becoming moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast veering west 4 or 5, occasionally 3 later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain then fair.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

Variable 2 or 3 becoming southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, veering northwesterly 3 or 4 later in west.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.

Fair then rain, fog patches later.

Good, becoming moderate or poor, occasionally very poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly 4 at first in east, otherwise westerly or northwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 near headlands.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough near headlands in west.

Rain with fog patches then fair.

Moderate or poor, occasionally very poor, becoming good.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

Westerly backing southerly or southeasterly 3 or 4, increasing 5 for a time, veering westerly or northwesterly later in west.

Slight, occasionally moderate later in west.
Rain or showers.
Moderate or good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southerly or southeasterly at first in east, otherwise westerly or northwesterly, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in Bristol Channel.
Slight becoming moderate, occasionally rough in Bristol Channel.
Rain with fog patches, then fair.
Moderate, occasionally very poor, becoming good.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel
24 hour forecast:
Southwesterly backing southeasterly, but becoming variable later, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in west.
Smooth or slight, becoming slight occasionally moderate later.
Rain later.
Good, becoming moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable becoming southwest, veering northwest later, 3 or 4.
Slight, occasionally moderate.
Rain with fog patches, then mainly fair.
Moderate, occasionally very poor, becoming good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway
24 hour forecast:
Variable 3 or less, becoming east or southeast 3 or 4 later.
Smooth or slight.
Rain later.
Good, becoming moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
East or southeast veering west 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.
Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.
Rain with fog patches, then showers.
Moderate, occasionally very poor, becoming good.

Isle of Man
24 hour forecast:
South or southeast 2 or 3, increasing 4 or 5 later.
Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate later.
Mainly fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southeast veering west 3 or 4.
Mainly slight.
Occasional rain with fog patches, becoming fair later.
Moderate or poor, occasionally very poor, becoming good later.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough
24 hour forecast:
Variable 2 or 3 becoming southeast 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.
Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate later.
Rain later, fog patches for a time in east.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor in east.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
East or southeast veering west or northwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.
Slight, occasionally moderate.
Rain with fog patches, then showers.
Moderate, occasionally very poor, becoming good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less becoming east or southeast 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate in North Channel later.

Rain later, fog patches for a time.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or southeast 3 or 4 becoming variable 2 or 3, then becoming west or northwest 4 or 5 later.

Slight, occasionally moderate except in Firth of Clyde.

Rain with fog patches, then showers.

Moderate, occasionally very poor, becoming good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less becoming easterly or southeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later in south.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or southeast 3 or 4 becoming variable 2 or 3, then becoming west or northwest 4 or 5.

Slight, occasionally moderate.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

The Minch

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming east or northeast 3 or 4 later.

Smooth or slight.

Showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or northeast 2 or 3 backing west or northwest 4 or 5.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight occasionally moderate later.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming east or northeast 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or northeast 2 or 3 backing west or northwest 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

Valid Wednesday 03 Aug 2011 at 0600 UTC until Wednesday 03 Aug 2011 at 1800 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Complex low pressure continues to affect the UK with a series of fronts moving

across Shetland waters.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil.

Southeasterly 3, occasionally 4 in east, backing easterly 2 or 3 in southwest.
Slight or moderate.

Misty with rain or showers and fog patches.

Moderate, occasionally poor or very poor.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1800 UTC on Wednesday 03 Aug until 0600 UTC on
Thursday 04 Aug:

Southeasterly 3 or 4, backing easterly 2 or 3 in west for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Misty with fog patches and occasional showers.

Moderate, occasionally poor or very poor.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

West to northwest 2 to 4 becoming locally variable 1 to 3 in the southeast late
afternoon and then generally south 4 to 5 overnight.

Slight becoming moderate, locally rather rough by morning.

Risk of fog patches, especially later rain, locally heavy, spreading from the
west during the evening.

Mainly good, becoming moderate perhaps very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 4 to 5, perhaps locally 6, veering west to northwest Thursday afternoon
and decreasing 3 to 4 by morning.

Mainly moderate, locally rather rough.

Rain or drizzle, locally heavy, risk of fog patches, clearing Thursday
afternoon.

Moderate to poor, perhaps locally very poor, becoming good.

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