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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1200 UTC Tuesday 04 December to 1200 UTC Wednesday 05 December
2012

General Situation

A front lying across northern Scotland will move southwards as a complex low near western Scotland moves southeastwards. A cold northerly airflow will then spread southwards across all areas.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

In inner Moray Firth, northeasterly backing northerly or northwesterly, 3 or 4, otherwise northerly or northeasterly 4 or 5 increasing 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4 later except in southeast and far northeast.

Moderate or rough.

Squally wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in far northeast and far southeast at first, backing southerly or southwesterly 5 to 7.

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

Wintry showers, rain or sleet later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Easterly or northeasterly backing northerly or northwesterly, 4 or 5, increasing 5 to 7 except in firths of Tay and Forth.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or sleet, then squally wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest backing south 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time.

Moderate or rough.

Wintry showers, then rain or sleet later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable becoming northeast then backing north or northwest, 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7 later.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or sleet, then squally wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North backing southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time.

Moderate or rough.

Wintry showers, fair later.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4 or 5 veering northeast 3 or 4, backing northwest 5 to 7 later.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or sleet, wintry showers later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest 5 to 7 backing southwest 4 or 5.
Moderate or rough.
Wintry showers then fair.
Good, occasionally poor at first.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northwesterly 5 to 7, veering northerly 3 or 4 for a time.
Slight or moderate in south, moderate or rough in north.
Occasional rain or showers, wintry later.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest 5 to 7 backing southwest 4 or 5.
Slight or moderate in south, moderate or rough in north.
Squally wintry showers, fair later.
Good, occasionally poor at first.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly or northwesterly 5 to 7 becoming variable 3 or 4, then northerly 5 or 6 later.
Mainly slight near shore, otherwise moderate or rough.
Showers, squally at first.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North or northwest 5 to 7 backing southwest 4 or 5.
Slight near shore otherwise moderate, occasionally rough at first.
Showers then fair.
Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or northwest 5 to 7 becoming variable 3 or 4, then north 5 or 6 later.
Mainly slight near shore, otherwise moderate or rough.
Showers, squally at first.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North 5 or 6 backing southwest 4 or 5.
Slight near shore otherwise moderate, occasionally rough at first.
Showers then fair.
Good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly or northwesterly, veering northerly later, 5 to 7, decreasing 4 or 5 for a time in far east, but mainly 7 or gale 8 in far west.
Mainly slight near shore east of the Lizard, otherwise moderate or rough, but rough or very rough in far west.
Squally showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North 5 or 6 backing southwest 4 or 5.
Slight or moderate, but rough in far west at first.
Showers, squally at first.
Good.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly or northwesterly, veering northerly later, but becoming variable for a

time east of Ilfracombe and the Gower, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in far west, but mainly 4 or 5 in far east.
Slight in sheltered east otherwise moderate or rough, but rough or very rough in far southwest.
Squally showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North 4 or 5 backing southwest 5 or 6.
Slight in east, moderate or rough in west.
Showers, squally at first.
Good.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West veering north 5 to 7.
Moderate or rough.
Showers, squally at first.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North 4 or 5 backing southwest 5 to 7.
Moderate or rough, becoming mainly slight for a time.
Showers then fair, rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northwest, veering north or northeast, 5 or 6, decreasing 4 for a time.
Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.
Showers then fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North 4 or 5 backing southwest 5 to 7.
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough.
Showers, rain later.
Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Isle of Man - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West 5 or 6 veering north or northeast 4 or 5, backing northwest 5 or 6 later.
Mainly moderate.
Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest 5 or 6 backing west 3 or 4, then southwest 6 or 7 later.
Moderate becoming slight, then moderate or rough later.
Showers, rain later.
Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or southwest veering northeast, then backing north or northwest, 4 or 5, occasionally 6.
Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.
Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North backing southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7 later.
Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.
Showers then rain.

Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest veering northeast, then backing north or northwest, 4 or 5, occasionally 6.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North backing southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7 later.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Showers then rain.

Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable becoming north or northeast, 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 for a time.

Slight or moderate in shelter, otherwise rough or very rough.

Wintry showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 3 or 4 backing west or southwest 5 to 7.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Wintry showers, rain or sleet later.

Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northeasterly 5 to 7, but 3 or 4 in south at first, and becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4 becoming west or southwest 5 to 7.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Wintry showers, rain or sleet later.

Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northeasterly 5 to 7, but 3 or 4 in south at first, and becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Rough or very rough.

Wintry showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4 becoming west or southwest 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough.

Wintry showers, rain or sleet later.

Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

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

Valid Tuesday 04 Dec 2012 at 1200 UTC until Wednesday 05 Dec 2012 at 0000 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A cold north or northeasterly flow over Shetland will strengthen, as a complex low moves south across the East Shetland Basin this evening and over central North Sea on Wednesday.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil

North or northeast 5 to 7, occasionally 4 at first in south.

Moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Good, but moderate or poor at times.

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

North or northeast backing northwest, 5 to 7, perhaps increasing gale 8 for a time in east and north.

Rough.

Wintry showers, mainly fair later in east.

Good, but moderate or poor at times.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 5 to 6 , occasionally 7 with gusts to 40kt, backing west for a time around midnight, veering north by midday.

Rough, perhaps locally very rough overnight.

Squally rain or hail showers with a risk of thunder.

Good, locally moderate in showers.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 5 to 6 with gusts to 40kt, decreasing 4 to 5 by evening and 3 to 4 overnight, becoming variable around dawn then southwest 4 later.

Rough to rather rough, decreasing moderate overnight and slight in the morning with swell.

Squally rain or hail showers with a risk of thunder soon dying out risk of a shower later Thursday morning.

Good, locally moderate in showers.

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