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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1200 UTC Tuesday 03 March to 1200 UTC Wednesday 04 March 2020

General Situation

A brisk showery northwesterly airstream will weaken as a ridge of high pressure moves eastwards, this bringing quieter conditions than of late. However, a new area of low pressure will move eastwards across England and Wales during Wednesday and Thursday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or northwesterly, backing southwesterly later, 5 or 6, becoming variable 3 or 4 for a time.

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

Showers, wintry in north.

Good, occasionally moderate in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight in east, moderate or rough in north.

Showers.

Good.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West backing southwest later, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 for a time.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough near Rattray Head, but becoming smooth at times south of Aberdeen.

Showers at first.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.

Slight or moderate at first in north, otherwise smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 3 or 4, veering northwest 4 or 5 for a time.

Moderate.

Showers at first.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest becoming variable, mainly southeast, 3 or 4.

Moderate, becoming slight.

Occasional rain in south.

Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 3 or 4, veering west 4 or 5 for a time.

Moderate, becoming slight or moderate.

Showers at first.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 3 or 4, backing southeast, then northeast later, 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 4 or 5, veering northwesterly 5 or 6, then variable 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.

Showers at first.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming cyclonic 5 or 6 for a time.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.

Occasional rain.

Good, occasionally moderate.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or northwesterly, backing southerly later, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth later near shore.

Showers at first, occasional rain later.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly becoming cyclonic, then southwesterly 5 or 6, veering northwesterly 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 4 or 5, decreasing 3, backing southeast 5 or 6 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth later near shore.

Occasional rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast 5 to 7, veering southwest 4 or 5, then veering northwest 5 or 6 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate for a time.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4 or 5, backing west 3, then backing southeast 5 or 6, then veering southwest later.

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

Showers then fair, rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest veering northwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.

Rough in far west, otherwise slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4 or 5, backing southwest 3 or 4, then backing southeast 5 to 7, then becoming cyclonic later.

Slight in far east, otherwise moderate, occasionally rough.

Showers then fair, rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Cyclonic becoming north or northwest 5 to 7.
Slight in far east, otherwise moderate or rough.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northwest 5 or 6, becoming variable 3 or 4, then southeast 5 or 6 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough first in south.
Showers then fair, rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southeast backing north 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far south.
Occasional rain, showers later.
Moderate, occasionally poor, becoming good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northwest 5 or 6, becoming variable then south later, 3 or 4.
Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.
Showers early and later.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
South 3 or 4, backing east 4 or 5, then becoming variable 3 or 4 later.
Smooth or slight.
Occasional rain, mainly fair later.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Isle of Man - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or northwest 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 backing south 3 or less, then southeast 4 or 5 later.
Moderate, becoming smooth or slight.
Rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
East or southeast, backing north or northeast, then northwest later, 4 or 5, decreasing 3 at times later.
Mainly slight.
Rain, showers later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northwest 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4, then backing south later.
Moderate or rough at first in north, otherwise slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight in southeast.
Showers, fair for a time.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable, mainly south or southwest 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight in southeast, otherwise slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later in north.
Occasional rain then showers.
Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in North Channel, decreasing 3 or 4, then backing southerly later.

Rough at first near Mull of Kintyre, otherwise slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight, except in North Channel.

Showers, fair for a time.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable, mainly southerly or southwesterly 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight, but slight or moderate in North Channel, occasionally rough later near Mull of Kintyre.

Occasional rain then showers.

Good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 5 to 7, backing west 3 or 4, then southwest 4 or 5 later.

Rough or very rough, becoming moderate or rough.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest veering west for a time, 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight in shelter.

Showers.

Good.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or northwesterly, backing southwesterly later, 5 to 7, but mainly 4 at first in north, decreasing 4 for a time later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight at times in central areas.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first in north.

Slight or moderate, but rough in far north and in far south.

Showers.

Good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or northwesterly, backing southwesterly later, 5 to 7, but mainly 4 at first in north, decreasing 4 for a time later.

Rough or very rough, becoming moderate or rough.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first in north.

Moderate or rough.

Showers.

Good.

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

Valid Tuesday 03 Mar 2020 at 1200 UTC until Wednesday 04 Mar 2020 at 0000 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Trough of low pressure will move northeastwards across Shetland Waters during Tuesday

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle at time of issue: Nil

Southeast 5 or 6 veering west or southwest 3 or 4
Moderate or rough, but very rough in northwest at first
Rain or showers
Good, occasionally poor

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0000 UTC on Wednesday 04 Mar until 1200 UTC on Wednesday 04 Mar:

Westerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in west
Moderate or rough, becoming slight in shelter just east of Shetland
Showers
Mainly good

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4 to 5, backing west to southwest 3 to 4 by midnight, then southerly by dawn, increasing 5 to 6 Wednesday morning.
Slight to moderate with a low to moderate swell, decreasing smooth or slight for a time overnight, occasionally rather rough in the north later.
Scattered showers dying out during the afternoon occasional rain and drizzle spreading from the west by dawn.
Good, occasionally moderate, becoming locally poor during the morning.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly 5 to 6, perhaps locally 7 mid-channel, veering southwest 4 to 6 during the afternoon, then west overnight and northwest 5 to 7 Thursday morning.
Slight to moderate with a low swell, occasionally rather rough in the north, increasing rather rough to rough later.
Occasional rain and drizzle soon clearing to isolated showers by early afternoon.
Good, occasionally moderate.

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