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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0000 UTC Thursday 02 February to 0000 UTC Friday 03 February
2012

General Situation

High pressure will develop across the United Kingdom continuing to bring a very cold fresh to strong easterly airflow across southern coastal areas, while many other parts will have light winds throughout Thursday and Friday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times in north and west.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later in north and northwest.

Sleet at first in north.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later in north.

Smooth or slight, but moderate, occasionally rough at first in north and northwest.

Fair.

Good.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 3 or less, increasing 4 at times in south.

Moderate becoming slight.

Snow showers at first.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly, backing southerly later, 3 or 4.

Slight becoming smooth.

Fair.

Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Variable, becoming west, 3 or less.

Moderate becoming slight.

Snow showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West, backing south later, 3 or 4.

Slight becoming smooth.

Fair.

Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Easterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first in south, becoming variable 3 or less.

Moderate becoming slight.

Snow showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less, becoming west or northwest 4.

Slight becoming smooth.

Fair.

Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Easterly or northeasterly 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4, becoming variable 2 or less later in north.

Moderate or rough, becoming mainly slight.

Snow showers in north.

Good, occasionally poor in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable becoming northwesterly 3 or 4, increasing 5 later in east.

Smooth or slight.

Snow showers at first, snow later in east.

Good, occasionally poor at first and later.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first in east, decreasing 4 later close to shore.

Moderate becoming slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or less, then northwesterly 4 or 5.

Smooth or slight.

Snow showers in east.

Good, occasionally poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 5 or 6, decreasing 4 at times close to shore.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

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

Slight becoming smooth.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Easterly or northeasterly 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first in south.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth in east.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

East or northeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first in Bristol Channel.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth later in north.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or southeast 3 or 4, veering west or southwest 4 or 5.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel
24 hour forecast:
Easterly or southeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first in north.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southerly or southeasterly 3 or 4, increasing 5.
Smooth, becoming slight or moderate.
Fair.
Good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway
24 hour forecast:
Easterly or southeasterly, veering southerly, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first in south.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southerly 3 or less, veering southwesterly 4 or 5.
Smooth or slight.
Rain later in northwest.
Moderate or good.

Isle of Man
24 hour forecast:
Southeast veering south 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
South or southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate later in south.
Fair.
Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough
24 hour forecast:
Southerly or southeasterly, veering southwesterly later, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first in east.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5.
Smooth or slight.
Rain for a time.
Moderate or good.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel
24 hour forecast:
Southeasterly, veering southerly or southwesterly, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first in North Channel.

Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5.
Smooth or slight.
Rain later.
Moderate or good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southeasterly 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times in west.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough northwest of Tiree.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly 4 or 5, increasing 6 for a time in north.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in northwest.
Rain for a time.
Moderate or good.

The Minch

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 4 or 5.
Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later in far south.
Rain then showers.
Moderate or good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 later in far west.
Moderate or rough.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly 5 or 6, decreasing 4 at times later.
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough for a time in west.
Rain then showers.
Moderate or good.

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

Valid Thursday 02 Feb 2012 at 0000 UTC until Thursday 02 Feb 2012 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A ridge of high pressure continues to extend from Scandinavia over the North Sea to the British Isles. A weak frontal trough covers Shetland at first.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil

Southwest 4 or 5.
Moderate or rough.

Rain or sleet at times.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Thursday 02 Feb until 0000 UTC on Friday 03 Feb:

Southwest veering west 4 or 5.
Moderate or rough, but slight just east of Shetland.
Rain dying out.
Moderate or good.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 5 to 6, locally 7 in the north and west of the area overnight, decreasing mainly 4 by midnight.

Moderate to rather rough in the south, rough in the north, becoming slight to moderate later.

Fair or fine, becoming rather cloudy at times in the north and west.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 3 to 4 veering east decreasing 2 or 3 by early afternoon, becoming variable 1 to 3 then northwest in the evening.

Slight to moderate becoming smooth or slight.

Isolated wintry showers in the north of the area.

Good except in showers.

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