

AND NOW THE SHIPPING FORECAST ISSUED BY THE MET OFFICE,  
ON BEHALF OF THE MARITIME AND COASTGUARD AGENCY, AT 0015  
UTC ON FRIDAY 02 JANUARY 2015 FOR THE PERIOD 0000 UTC  
FRIDAY 02 JANUARY TO 0000 UTC SATURDAY 03 JANUARY 2015

THERE ARE WARNINGS OF GALES IN ALL AREAS EXCEPT BISCAY  
TRAFALGAR AND FITZROY

THE GENERAL SYNOPSIS AT 1800

LOW FAIR ISLE 989 EXPECTED FINLAND 958 BY 1800 FRIDAY.  
NEW HIGH EXPECTED SOUTHWEST FITZROY 1039 BY SAME TIME

THE AREA FORECASTS FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS

VIKING NORTH UTSIRE

WESTERLY 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9, OCCASIONALLY STORM 10 LATER.  
ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH, BECOMING VERY ROUGH OR HIGH. SQUALLY  
SHOWERS. GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

SOUTH UTSIRE FORTIES CROMARTY FORTH TYNE DOGGER FISHER  
GERMAN BIGHT

WESTERLY OR SOUTHWESTERLY 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9,  
OCCASIONALLY STORM 10. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH, BECOMING  
HIGH, EXCEPT IN CROMARTY, FORTH AND TYNE. RAIN OR SQUALLY  
SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

HUMBER THAMES

SOUTHWEST VEERING WEST 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9. ROUGH OR VERY  
ROUGH. RAIN THEN FAIR. MODERATE OR POOR, BECOMING GOOD

DOVER

SOUTHWEST 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9, VEERING NORTHWEST 5 OR 6.  
MODERATE OR ROUGH. RAIN THEN FAIR. MODERATE OR POOR,  
BECOMING GOOD

WIGHT PORTLAND

SOUTHWEST 6 TO GALE 8, VEERING NORTHWEST 4 OR 5, BECOMING  
VARIABLE 3 OR 4 LATER. ROUGH. RAIN THEN FAIR. MODERATE OR  
POOR, BECOMING GOOD

PLYMOUTH

SOUTHWEST 6 TO GALE 8, VEERING NORTHWEST 5, THEN BACKING  
SOUTH 5 OR 6 LATER. ROUGH. RAIN THEN FAIR. MODERATE OR  
POOR, BECOMING GOOD

NORTH BISCAY

SOUTHWESTERLY 5 TO 7 BECOMING VARIABLE 4, THEN SOUTHERLY  
5 OR 6 LATER. MODERATE OR ROUGH. OCCASIONAL RAIN.  
MODERATE OR GOOD

SOUTH BISCAY

VARIABLE 4. SLIGHT OR MODERATE IN SOUTH, MODERATE OR  
ROUGH IN NORTH. OCCASIONAL RAIN IN NORTH. MODERATE OR  
GOOD

TRAFALGAR

NORTHEASTERLY 4 OR 5, OCCASIONALLY 6 IN SOUTHEAST. SLIGHT  
OR MODERATE. FAIR. GOOD

SOUTH FITZROY

VARIABLE 4. SLIGHT OR MODERATE IN SOUTH, MODERATE OR  
ROUGH IN NORTH. OCCASIONAL RAIN IN NORTH. MODERATE OR  
GOOD

NORTH FITZROY SOLE

SOUTHWESTERLY VEERING NORTHWESTERLY 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8 AT FIRST IN EAST SOLE, BECOMING VARIABLE 4, THEN CYCLONIC 5 TO 7, PERHAPS GALE 8 LATER. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. RAIN. MODERATE OR POOR, OCCASIONALLY GOOD

LUNDY FASTNET

WEST BACKING SOUTH LATER, 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8 AT FIRST, DECREASING 4 FOR A TIME. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. RAIN THEN FAIR. MAINLY GOOD

IRISH SEA

WEST 6 TO GALE 8, BACKING SOUTHWEST 5 TO 7. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH, BECOMING MODERATE OR ROUGH. SHOWERS. GOOD

SHANNON

WEST BECOMING CYCLONIC LATER, 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8. VERY ROUGH OR HIGH. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR LATER

ROCKALL MALIN

WEST 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9. VERY ROUGH OR HIGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

HEBRIDES BAILEY FAIR ISLE FAEROES SOUTHEAST ICELAND

MAINLY WESTERLY 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9, OCCASIONALLY STORM 10. HIGH OR VERY HIGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR POOR, OCCASIONALLY GOOD