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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0600 UTC Thursday 04 August to 0600 UTC Friday 05 August 2011

General Situation

Eastern parts will initially remain under a slack airflow with generally light winds bringing fog in places. However, an active front is moving in from the west bringing rain, stronger winds and eventually clearer conditions to all parts by Friday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

East or southeast, veering west later, 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 later.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate at first northwest of Orkney.

Rain or showers, fog banks.

Poor or very poor, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Smooth or slight in Moray Firth, otherwise slight occasionally moderate.

Rain and fog banks at first in east, becoming mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first in east.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

Southeast veering southwest later, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Rain or showers, fog banks, fair later.

Poor or very poor, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 4 or 5, decreasing 3 later.

Slight, occasionally moderate near Rattray Head at first.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Southeast veering west later, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Rain or showers, fog patches at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 later.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Southeasterly veering westerly later, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Rain or showers, fair later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor for a time.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or less later.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Southerly veering southwesterly 4 or 5.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in south.

Rain or showers, fair later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor for a time.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or less later.

Mainly slight, occasionally moderate in south.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Southerly veering southwesterly 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers, becoming mainly fair later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, decreasing 3 later.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

South veering west 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers, fog patches at first, becoming mainly fair later.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5, decreasing 3 later.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

Southwest veering west 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers, fog patches at first, becoming mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5, decreasing 3 later.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest veering northwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers, fog patches at first, becoming mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 4 or 5, decreasing 3 later.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest veering northwest, 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers, becoming mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 4 or 5, backing south 3 or 4.

Slight, occasionally moderate in south at first.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

South veering west, 4 or 5.

Smooth or slight.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5, backing south 2 or 3.

Mainly slight.

Showers.

Moderate or good.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

South veering west, 4 or 5, decreasing 3 for a time.

Slight.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5, backing south 2 or 3.

Slight.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast becoming cyclonic, then west later, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 for a time.

Slight, occasionally moderate in north.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5, backing south 3 or 4.

Slight, occasionally moderate in north.

Showers.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southeast becoming cyclonic, then west later, 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5, backing south 3 or 4.
Slight or moderate.
Showers.
Moderate or good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point

24 hour forecast:
East becoming cyclonic, then west later, 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times later.
Slight or moderate.
Rain then showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5, backing south 3 or 4.
Slight or moderate.
Showers.
Moderate or good.

The Minch

24 hour forecast:
East becoming cyclonic then west 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight.
Rain then showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West, backing south later, 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight.
Showers.
Moderate or good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:
Easterly becoming cyclonic then westerly, 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 later in north.
Slight or moderate.
Rain then showers, fog patches for a time in north.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor for a time in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5, backing south 3 or 4 later.
Slight or moderate.
Showers.
Moderate or good.

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

Valid Thursday 04 Aug 2011 at 0600 UTC until Thursday 04 Aug 2011 at 1800 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Complex low pressure affecting the British Isles will continue to feed a moist, mainly southeasterly airstream across Shetland waters.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil

Southeast 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.
Mainly slight.
Occasional rain, fog becoming more patchy.
Moderate or poor, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1800 UTC on Thursday 04 Aug until 0600 UTC on Friday

05 Aug:

East or southeast 4 or 5 increasing occasionally 6, but variable 2 or 3 in south later.

Slight building mostly moderate.

Rain and fog patches.

Moderate occasionally poor or very poor.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South to southwest 5 to 6, decreasing 4 to 5 this morning, veering west this afternoon and decreasing 2 to 3 by Friday morning.

Moderate, locally rather rough at first, decreasing slight by Friday morning.

Rain or drizzle, locally heavy with a risk of fog patches, clearing by mid-afternoon.

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

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West to northwest 2 to 3.

Moderate becoming slight.

Risk of a shower.

Mainly good.

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