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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore  
for the period 1200 UTC Saturday 04 January to 1200 UTC Sunday 05 January 2014

#### General Situation

A complex area of low pressure over the United Kingdom will move away northeastwards as a very large and intense low in the Atlantic moves east towards the United Kingdom then northeastwards to the west of Scotland on Tuesday, filling slowly.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 to 7 becoming cyclonic 4 or 5.

Mainly slight in inner Moray Firth, otherwise moderate or rough.

Rain or showers, fair later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Cyclonic 4 or 5 becoming southeast 7 to severe gale 9.

Moderate or rough, becoming very rough for a time in far northeast.

Rain then showers.

Good, becoming moderate or poor for a time.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic 4 or 5 becoming west 5 to 7, backing southwest later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers, fair later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 to 7 backing south or southeast 6 to gale 8.

Moderate or rough.

Rain then showers.

Good, becoming moderate or poor for a time.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic 4 or 5 becoming west 5 to 7, backing southwest later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers, fair later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 to 7 backing south or southeast 6 to gale 8.

Moderate or rough.

Rain then showers.

Good, becoming moderate or poor for a time.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southeast veering west or southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers, fair later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.

Slight near shore in south, otherwise moderate or rough.

Rain then showers.

Good, becoming moderate or poor for a time.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly veering southwesterly 5 to 7, decreasing 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or squally showers, fair later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Fair then rain.

Good, becoming moderate or poor.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly veering westerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5 for a time later.

Moderate or rough.

Rain or squally thundery showers then fair.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5 increasing 6 to gale 8.

Rough.

Fair then rain.

Good, becoming moderate or poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest, backing south later, 5 to 7, decreasing 4 or 5 for a time.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Rain or squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.

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

Rain then squally showers.

Moderate occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest, backing south later, 4 or 5, occasionally 6, increasing 6 to gale 8 later.

Rough or very rough.

Squally showers, rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 6 to gale 8.

Rough or very rough, becoming very rough or high in west.

Rain then squally showers.

Moderate occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Mainly westerly or southwesterly, backing southerly or southeasterly later, 4 or 5, occasionally 6, increasing 6 to gale 8 in west later.

Slight or moderate in east, rough or very rough in west.

Showers, rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 6 to gale 8.  
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough or high in west.  
Rain then squally showers.  
Moderate occasionally poor.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
West or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6, backing southeast 6 to gale 8 later.  
Moderate or rough.  
Showers, rain later.  
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Southeast veering south or southwest 7 to severe gale 9.  
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough or high except in shelter.  
Rain then squally showers.  
Moderate occasionally poor.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Mainly south or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6, backing southeast 5 to 7 later.  
Slight or moderate.  
Rain or showers.  
Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Southeast veering south or southwest 6 to gale 8.  
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough.  
Rain then squally showers.  
Moderate occasionally poor.

Isle of Man - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
West 4 or 5 decreasing 3 or 4 for a time, backing south or southeast 6 or 7 later.  
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later.  
Showers, rain later.  
Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
South or southeast veering south or southwest 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 later.  
Moderate or rough.  
Rain then showers.  
Moderate or poor, becoming mainly good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Cyclonic 4, occasionally 5, becoming southeast 6 to gale 8 later.  
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later except in shelter.  
Rain or showers.  
Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Southeast veering south or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.  
Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.  
Rain then squally showers.  
Moderate occasionally poor.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Cyclonic 4 occasionally 5, becoming southeasterly 6 to gale 8 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later except in shelter.  
Rain or showers.  
Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Southeasterly veering southerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.  
Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.  
Rain then squally showers.  
Moderate occasionally poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Variable 3 or 4 becoming southeasterly 5 to 7 later.  
Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough, but rough or very rough in far northwest.  
Rain or showers.  
Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
South or southeast, veering southwest for a time, 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9.  
Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough, but rough or very rough in far northwest.  
Rain then squally showers.  
Moderate occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north at first, decreasing 3 or 4, backing southeasterly 5 to 7 later.  
Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.  
Rain or showers.  
Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
South or southeast, veering southwest for a time, 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9.  
Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.  
Rain then squally showers.  
Moderate occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north at first, decreasing 3 or 4, backing southeasterly 5 to 7 later.  
Rough or very rough.  
Rain or showers.  
Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
South or southeast, veering southwest for a time, 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9.  
Rough or very rough, becoming very rough or high in south.  
Rain then squally showers.  
Moderate occasionally poor.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland  
Valid Saturday 04 Jan 2014 at 1200 UTC until Sunday 05 Jan 2014 at 0000 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation  
Complex series of troughs of low pressure expected to continue tracking across

Shetland waters.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Southwesterly gale force 8.

Southwest 5 to 7 backing south 5 or 6 then east or southeast 4 later.  
Rough or very rough becoming occasionally moderate in east.  
Squally showers, mainly fair later.  
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0000 UTC on Sunday 05 Jan until 1200 UTC on Sunday 05 Jan:

East or southeast 4 becoming cyclonic 4 or 5, but 6 or 7 at times in north and east.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in west and north.

Fair at first then rain or showers.

Good becoming moderate, perhaps poor, for a time.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West to southwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7, veering northwest for a time after midnight, backing south after dawn on Sunday.

Rather rough to rough, perhaps locally very rough.

Occasional squally rain or hail showers, locally with thunder, dying out after midnight rain spreading in from the west after dawn.

Good, moderate to poor in showers and rain.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 6 or 7, soon increasing 7 to gale 8, veering southwest early evening and decreasing 5 to 7 by dawn.

Rather rough to rough in the south, rough to very rough in the north.

Rain, locally heavy, clearing overnight with squally rain or hail showers developing, risk of thunder.

Good, locally moderate to poor in rain and showers.

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