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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore from 1200 to 1200 UTC

General Situation

An area of high pressure will remain slow moving over the eastern Atlantic during Tuesday with a cool mainly north to northwesterly airflow across the British Isles.

From Cape Wrath to Ratray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 4 or 5, becoming variable then southeast 2 or 3, occasionally 4.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable becoming northerly, 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Ratray Head to Berwick on Tweed

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest veering east or southeast, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in north.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 2 or 3, occasionally 4.

Slight, becoming moderate later.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Berwick on Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest, veering east later, 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or northeast 3 or 4.

Slight becoming moderate.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Variable mainly north or northwest 2 or 3, occasionally 4.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.

Showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northeast 2 or 3, occasionally 4.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain in north.

Moderate or good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

North or northwest 4 or 5 becoming variable 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far south at first.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4 becoming northeast 4 or 5.

Mainly slight.

Mainly fair.

Good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northeasterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in east at first, decreasing 3 or 4, becoming variable 2 or 3 later.

Slight or moderate becoming smooth or slight, but occasionally rough in east at first.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in east.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

Mainly northerly, 4 or 5 decreasing 2 or 3, occasionally 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northeast 2 or 3 increasing 4 or 5.

Smooth.

Fair, rain later.

Good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast 4 or 5 backing northwest 3 or 4.

Moderate in west, otherwise smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest, veering northeast, 2 or 3 occasionally 4.

Moderate in west, otherwise smooth or slight.

Occasional rain.

Good, occasionally moderate in west.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

Northerly backing northwesterly, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in west at first.

Smooth or slight in east, moderate in west.

Fair, occasional rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest veering northeast, 3 or 4.

Moderate, becoming slight in east.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

St Davids Head to Great Ormes Head, including St Georges Channel
24 hour forecast:

North or northwest 4 or 5, decreasing 3 or 4.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest veering north or northeast, 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Great Ormes Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:
Northwest 4 or 5 decreasing 2 or 3, occasionally 4.
Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.
Occasional rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest, veering east or northeast, 2 or 3 occasionally 4.
Smooth.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:
Northwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in south and west, backing westerly or northwesterly 3 or 4 later.
Slight, occasionally moderate at first.
Occasional rain or drizzle later.
Good, becoming moderate occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 3 or 4 increasing 4 or 5.
Slight.
Occasional rain or drizzle at first.
Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:
Northwest 4 or 5, occasionally 3 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in southeast.
Occasional rain.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5.
Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.
Rain or drizzle, fair in north later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:
Northwest 4 or 5, occasionally 3 later.
Smooth with shelter, otherwise slight or moderate.
Occasional rain.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North or northwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5.
Smooth with shelter, otherwise slight or moderate.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point
24 hour forecast:
Northwest 4 or 5, decreasing 3 or 4.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North or northwest 4 or 5.
Slight or moderate.
Rain or drizzle, becoming fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath including the Outer Hebrides
24 hour forecast:
West 4 or 5 veering northwest 3 or 4.
Moderate.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest 3 or 4 veering north 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.
Moderate.
Rain or drizzle, becoming fair.
Moderate or good.

The Minch
24 hour forecast:
West 4 or 5 veering northwest 3 or 4.
Smooth with shelter otherwise slight, occasionally moderate in both far north and far south.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest 3 or 4 veering north 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.
Smooth with shelter otherwise slight, occasionally moderate in both far north and far south.
Rain or drizzle, becoming fair.
Moderate or good.

The Channel Islands - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
North to northeast 4 or 5, locally 6, decreasing 4 tonight and 3 or 4 during tomorrow morning.
Moderate to rather rough, becoming slight to moderate.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North to northwest 3 or 4.
Slight to moderate.
Risk of a shower.
Good.

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

Valid Tuesday 04 May 2010 at 1200 UTC until Wednesday 05 May 2010 at 0000 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Ridge of high pressure covers the area, but weak troughs will continue to affect western waters, whilst a shallow low is expected to develop to the Northeast later Wednesday.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil

Mainly southeasterly 3 or 4, but northwesterly 3 at first in southwest.

Moderate.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0000 UTC on Wednesday 05 May until 1200 UTC on Wednesday 05 May:

Southeasterly veering southerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less for a time in east.

Moderate.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good.

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