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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore  
for the period 1800 UTC Thursday 02 August to 1800 UTC Friday 03 August 2012

#### General Situation

A deep but slowly filling Atlantic low to the west of Ireland, will gradually edge southeastwards to lie over southwestern Britain over the weekend.

#### Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

Variable or cyclonic 3 or less.

Smooth or slight.

Rain or showers, fog patches, especially in north.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable, mainly northeast, 3 or 4.

Slight.

Showers, fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

#### Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

Variable, mainly south, 3 or 4, decreasing 2 for a time.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain in north at first, otherwise mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable, mainly east, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Showers, fog patches developing, mainly in north.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor in north.

#### Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Variable, mainly south, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable, mainly southeast, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

#### Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 for a time.

Smooth or slight.

Showers, occasionally thundery.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.

Smooth or slight.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

#### Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later in south.

Slight, occasionally moderate in south.

Showers, occasionally thundery.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5.

Slight, occasionally moderate in south.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later in east.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, decreasing 3 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 or 5.

Moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 4 or 5.

Moderate.

Showers.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 for a time west of Start Point.

Moderate or rough.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first in west.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough for a time in far west.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 later in far southwest.

Moderate or rough.

Showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first in southwest, decreasing 3 at times later.

Moderate in east, rough in west, occasionally very rough in far southwest.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later in south.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in south.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly 4 or 5, becoming cyclonic 3 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first in south.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

Mainly southerly or southeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in west.

Mainly slight.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeasterly, backing northeasterly later, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in west.

Slight.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

South or southeast 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast backing northeast, 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

Southeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in North Channel.

Mainly slight.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast, backing northeast later, 3 or 4.

Mainly slight.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in North Channel.

Slight.

Showers.

Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast, backing northeast later, 3 or 4.

Smooth in shelter, otherwise slight.

Showers.  
Good, occasionally moderate.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point  
24 hour forecast:  
Southeast backing east, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.  
Slight or moderate.  
Showers.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
East, backing north or northeast later, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in shelter later.  
Showers.  
Good, occasionally moderate.

The Minch  
24 hour forecast:  
Variable, 3 or 4, decreasing 2 for a time.  
Slight.  
Occasional and fog patches rain in north, otherwise showers.  
Good, occasionally very poor in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Variable, becoming north or northeast, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.  
Slight.  
Rain or showers, fog patches in north.  
Moderate, occasionally very poor in far north, otherwise good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath  
24 hour forecast:  
Variable, 3 or 4, decreasing 2 for a time.  
Slight or moderate.  
Occasional and fog patches rain in north, otherwise showers.  
Good, occasionally very poor in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Variable, becoming north or northeast, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.  
Slight or moderate.  
Rain or showers, fog patches in north.  
Moderate, occasionally very poor in far north, otherwise good.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland  
Valid Thursday 02 Aug 2012 at 1800 UTC until Friday 03 Aug 2012 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation  
A depression to the west of the British Isles will drift slowly east,  
maintaining the northeasterly airflow over Shetland.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil

Northeast 3 or 4, but 5 in the northwest.  
Slight or moderate.  
Occasional rain or drizzle with fog banks.  
Poor or very poor, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Friday 03 Aug until 1800 UTC on Friday 03 Aug:  
Northeast 3 or 4, but 5 at first in the northwest.  
Slight or moderate.

Rain dying out.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 or 5, decreasing 3 or 4 in the south late Friday morning, locally variable 1 to 3.

Moderate to rather rough in the north and slight to moderate in the south.

Isolated showers.

Good, locally moderate in showers.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest to south 3 or 4, increasing 4 or 5 by midnight, decreasing 3 at times in the south in the afternoon.

Slight to moderate with swell, locally rather rough in the north.

Isolated showers.

Good, locally moderate in showers.

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