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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore  
for the period 1800 UTC Sunday 01 April to 1800 UTC Monday 02 April 2012

#### General Situation

High pressure over the eastern north Atlantic will decline as a developing area of low pressure and its associated waving cold front moves southeastwards across the United Kingdom.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times later.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in north.  
Occasional rain with snow later in north.  
Moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 5 to 7, occasionally 4 at first.  
Moderate or rough.  
Occasional rain or snow, then snow showers.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

Variable, becoming east or northeast 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later towards Rattray Head.  
Occasional rain.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or northeast 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7.  
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough.  
Occasional rain turning to snow, snow showers later.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming east 4 or 5 later.  
Mainly moderate.  
Mainly fair then occasional rain.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East 4 or 5, backing northeast 5 to 7.  
Moderate becoming rough.  
Occasional rain turning to snow, snow showers later.  
Good, occasionally poor, becoming very poor at times later.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Variable, mainly west 3 or 4.  
Slight or moderate.  
Mainly fair, occasional rain later.  
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming northeast 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.  
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later.  
Occasional rain, turning to sleet or snow later.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Variable, mainly westerly or southwesterly 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, veering northeasterly 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later in north.

Smooth or slight, but moderate in north.

Mainly fair, rain or showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable, becoming mainly southwesterly, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair, rain or showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable, becoming west or southwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair, rain or showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

Variable, becoming northwest later, 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 3 or 4, veering north 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate in far west.

Mainly fair, then rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

Variable, becoming northwest later, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate at first in southwest.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 3 or 4, veering north 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.

Fair then rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Showers later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming northwest 4 or 5, then veering north 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.

Rain or showers, turning wintry later.

Moderate or good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Showers later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 3 or 4, veering north 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.

Rain or showers, turning wintry.

Moderate or good.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 3 or 4.

Slight.

Mainly fair.

Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 3 or 4, veering northeast 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7.

Slight becoming moderate.

Rain for a time.

Moderate or good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fair then showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 3 or 4, backing west 4 or 5, then veering north or northeast 5 to 7.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.

Occasional rain then wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fair then showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly 3 or 4, backing westerly 4 or 5, then veering northerly or northeasterly 5 to 7.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.

Occasional rain then wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in north.

Smooth in shelter, otherwise slight or moderate.

Fair then occasional rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly 4 or 5, veering northeasterly 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate, becoming rough in west.

Occasional rain then wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly veering northeasterly, but becoming cyclonic later in south, 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 later.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in north.

Occasional rain with snow later in far north.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first.

Slight or moderate, becoming rough in north.

Occasional rain or snow, then snow showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly veering northeasterly, but becoming cyclonic later in south, 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 later.

Moderate, occasionally rough later.

Occasional rain with snow later in far north.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first.

Rough.

Occasional rain or snow, then snow showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

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

Valid Sunday 01 Apr 2012 at 1800 UTC until Monday 02 Apr 2012 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Ridge of high pressure builds to the west of Shetland while lows head south over Norway with fronts over East Shetland Basin.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil

Northerly or northwesterly 4 or 5 but 6 at first in east.

Rough but moderate close to lee of southeast Shetland, occasionally very rough later in northeast.

Mainly fair but wintry showers soon.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Monday 02 Apr until 1800 UTC on Monday 02 Apr:

Northerly or northwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north and east.

Rough but moderate close to lee of southeast Shetland, occasionally very rough later in northeast.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally moderate or poor.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

East to northeast 4, locally 5 at first, decreasing 2 to 3 by dawn tomorrow, backing north and increasing 2 to 4 in the evening.

Moderate becoming slight.

Fair or fine.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 2 to 4, becoming variable then northwest later.

Slight.

Fair becoming cloudy with rain later on Tuesday.

Good, becoming moderate in rain.

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