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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore  
for the period 0000 UTC Tuesday 03 May to 0000 UTC Wednesday 04 May 2016

#### General Situation

An area of high pressure near the Azores will move northeastwards close to southern England, and will bring quieter conditions to the southeastern half of the United Kingdom. However, low pressure moving northwards towards Iceland will keep northwestern areas unsettled and at times windy.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly backing southerly or southwesterly later, 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times later in east.

Slight or moderate in east, moderate or rough in north, becoming very rough for a time in far north.

Showers, thundery at first.

Good, occasional moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in northwest, but mainly 4 at first in east.

Slight or moderate in east, moderate or rough in north.

Occasional rain in north.

Good, occasionally moderate in north.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 or 6, backing southwest 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.

Showers, fair later.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 4, increasing 5 or 6.

Smooth or slight becoming slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

West 4 or 5, backing southwest 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.

Showers for a time.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 3 or 4, backing south 4 or 5.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.

Showers for a time.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable, mainly southwest 3, becoming south 4 or 5.

Smooth or slight becoming slight or moderate later.  
Fair.  
Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or northwesterly 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less later.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less, becoming southerly 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or northwesterly 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less later.

Slight, occasionally moderate until later.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less, becoming southerly or southeasterly 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

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

Slight occasionally moderate until later.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less, becoming south or southeast 3 or 4.

Smooth in shelter, otherwise slight.

Fair.

Good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough until later in far west, becoming smooth in shelter.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable, mainly south or southeast, 3 or 4.

Smooth in shelter, otherwise slight or moderate, occasionally rough later in far west.

Fair.

Good.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4 or 5, backing southwest 3 or 4 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Fair.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Southwest 3 or 4, backing south 4 or 5.  
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later.  
Fair.  
Good.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
West 5 or 6, backing southwest 4 or 5 later.  
Slight or moderate.  
Mainly fair.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
South or southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.  
Slight or moderate.  
Fair.  
Good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
West backing southwest later, 5 or 6, decreasing 4 for a time.  
Slight or moderate.  
Showers, fair later.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
South or southwest 5 or 6.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough for a time in north.  
Occasional drizzle in north.  
Good, occasionally moderate in north.

Isle of Man - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
West or southwest backing south or southwest later, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.  
Slight or moderate.  
Showers.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
South or southwest 4 or 5, increasing 5 or 6.  
Moderate occasionally slight at first.  
Mainly fair.  
Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
West backing south later, 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time.  
Slight or moderate in east, moderate or rough in north.  
Showers, fair later.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
South or southwest 5 to 7.  
Slight or moderate early and later in east, otherwise moderate or rough.  
Fair then occasional drizzle.  
Good, occasionally moderate.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly backing southerly later, 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time.  
Slight or moderate.  
Showers, fair later.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 to 7.  
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough for a time.  
Fair then occasional drizzle.  
Good, occasionally moderate.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West backing south later, 5 to 7.  
Rough or very rough, becoming moderate or rough later.  
Showers, fair later.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.  
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough in northwest.  
Fair then occasional rain or drizzle.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West backing south later, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first.  
Slight or moderate in central areas, otherwise moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in far south.  
Showers, thundery at first.  
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 6 to gale 8.  
Slight or moderate at first in central areas, otherwise moderate or rough and very rough at times in far south.  
Occasional rain or drizzle.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West backing south later, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first.  
Rough or very rough, occasionally high for a time in west.  
Showers, thundery at first.  
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 6 to gale 8.  
Rough or very rough, becoming very rough or high later.  
Occasional rain or drizzle.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

Valid Tuesday 03 May 2016 at 0000 UTC until Tuesday 03 May 2016 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Low pressure centred close to Iceland on Tuesday. Another low will deepen northeast towards Iceland on Wednesday.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil at time of issue.

Southwest 5 or 6.  
Moderate or rough.  
Showers.  
Good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Tuesday 03 May until 0000 UTC on Wednesday 04 May:  
Southwest 5 or 6.  
Moderate or rough.  
Showers dying out.  
Good.

Channel Islands  
24 hour forecast:  
Northwest 4 to 5, decreasing 3 to 4 by dawn, further decreasing 2 to 3 in the afternoon, occasionally 4, and backing west jersey northwards, becoming variable late evening.  
Slight to moderate, becoming mainly slight by mid morning.  
Fair or fine.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Variable 1 to 3, becoming south to southeast 2 to 4 by dawn, backing southeast to east in the afternoon.  
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate, with a decreasing swell.  
Fair or fine risk of mist patches near brittany coasts around dawn.  
Good, perhaps locally moderate around dawn.

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