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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0000 UTC Saturday 05 May to 0000 UTC Sunday 06 May 2012

General Situation

Pressure will remain low to the south and the east of the United Kingdom and high to the northwest. A cool northerly or northeasterly airflow will affect most areas.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough, but mainly slight in Moray Firth.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 in northeast for a time, becoming variable 3 or less in south later.

Mainly slight in Moray Firth, otherwise moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north and east at first, becoming variable 3 or 4.

Moderate or rough, but mainly slight in Firth of Forth.

Wintry showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or northwesterly 4 or 5 in far north, otherwise variable 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Wintry showers at first.

Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North 5 or 6, becoming variable 3 or 4.

Rough becoming moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable becoming mainly south or southeast, 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 5 or 6 decreasing 3 or 4.

Moderate or rough.

Showers, then fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast becoming variable then southeast, 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 in north.

Slight in Thames estuary otherwise moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or showers, mainly in south.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor in south.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly or northeasterly 3 or 4, but 5 in south at first.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or showers in south at first, otherwise mainly fair.

Good, occasionally moderate or poor in south.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 5 to 7, but mainly 4 near shore in west at first, and occasionally gale 8 in east for a time.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later in east.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly or northeasterly 5 to 7 decreasing 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in east.

Slight or moderate, but rough at first in east.

Occasional rain or showers, mainly fair later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 4 or 5 increasing 5 to 7, decreasing 4 in west later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 4 or 5, but 6 or 7 in east at first, veering easterly or southeasterly 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain then mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 4 or 5 increasing 5 to 7 for a time, becoming variable 3 or 4 at times in west later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain, becoming mainly fair later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly or northeasterly veering southeasterly, 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 in west later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain in far west later.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Easterly or northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west at first, and with sea breezes for a time this afternoon.

Smooth or slight in east, slight or moderate in west.

Occasional rain then mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly or southeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in north, increasing 5 or 6 in west later.

Smooth or slight in east, slight or moderate in west.

Occasional rain in far west later.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 near southern headlands at first, easterly 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly veering southeasterly, 3 or 4, becoming variable for a time in north, increasing 4 or 5 later, occasionally in far south.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain in far south later otherwise mainly fair.

Good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

Northeast backing north or northwest for a time, 4 or 5, with sea breezes for a time this afternoon, becoming southeasterly 4 or 5 in south later.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in far south.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly or southeasterly, becoming variable, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in east at first.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 4 or 5 just at first, otherwise north 3 or 4.

Slight or mod.

Mainly fair.

Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 2 or 3.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Mainly good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 4 or 5, becoming variable or northerly, 3 or less.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable becoming southeast 2 or 3, occasionally 4, increasing 4 or 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Showers.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 4 or 5, becoming variable or northerly, 3 or less.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable becoming southeast 2 or 3, occasionally 4, increasing 4 or 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast 4 or 5 decreasing 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable mainly north or northwest, becoming east or southeast later, 2 or 3, occasionally 4.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Good.

The Minch

24 hour forecast:

North, backing west or northwest for a time, 4 or 5, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time.

Smooth or slight south of skye, moderate or rough in north.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Mainly north or northeast, 3 or 4, occasionally 5.

Smooth or slight south of skye, elsewhere, moderate, occasionally rough later.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath

24 hour forecast:

North, backing west or northwest for a time, 4 or 5, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight in south.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Mainly north or northeast, 3 or 4, occasionally 5.

Slight at first in south, otherwise moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

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

Valid Saturday 05 May 2012 at 0000 UTC until Saturday 05 May 2012 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Low pressure over Scandinavia with a strong, rather cool, north to northwesterly airflow over Shetland waters.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil.

Northwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first.

Rough occasionally moderate on southeast.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally moderate or poor.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Saturday 05 May until 0000 UTC on Sunday 06 May:

Northwest 5 or 6, backing west in north later.

Rough, becoming moderate in east.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally moderate or poor.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 4 or 5, increasing 5 or 6 with gusts to 40kt during the morning, decreasing 4 or 5 again by evening.

Moderate becoming rather rough or rough for a time.

Rain, locally heavy, with mist patches.

Moderate to very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 4 or 5, backing north 3 or 4 by midday and 2 or 3 by evening, becoming variable later.

Moderate becoming slight.

Rain and drizzle clearing during Sunday morning.

Moderate to poor becoming good.

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