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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0000 UTC Monday 02 January to 0000 UTC Tuesday 03 January 2012

General Situation

A strong westerly or southwesterly airflow covers the United Kingdom. A deepening area of low pressure will approach from the west on Tuesday, potentially bringing stormy conditions to many areas for a time.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Moderate or rough, but very rough or high in north.

Squally wintry showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest, becoming cyclonic for a time, then northwest later, 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9.

Rough or very rough in north, moderate or rough in east, but very rough for a time near Rattray Head.

Squally wintry showers, rain for a time.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 or 6, increasing 7 or gale 8 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later.

Showers, becoming wintry.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest, becoming cyclonic for a time, then west later, 6 to gale 8, increasing severe gale 9 or storm 10 for a time.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough.

Wintry showers, rain for a time.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest, becoming cyclonic for a time, then west later, 6 to gale 8, increasing severe gale 9 for a time.

Moderate or rough.

Showers, rain for a time.

Moderate or good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest, veering west 6 or 7, increasing gale 8 or severe gale 9 for

a time.
Moderate or rough.
Showers, rain for a time.
Moderate or good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly or southwesterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in south.
Slight or moderate.
Showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
South or southwest, veering west 6 or 7, increasing gale 8 or severe gale 9 for a time.
Moderate or rough, but very rough for a time in south.
Rain for a time.
Moderate or good, becoming poor for a time.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly or southwesterly, veering westerly, 5 to 7, decreasing 4 for a time.
Moderate or rough.
Showers.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 or severe gale 9 for a time.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough.
Rain for a time.
Moderate or good, becoming poor for a time.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or southwest 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.
Moderate or rough.
Squally showers.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or southwest 6 to gale 8, increasing severe gale 9 for a time.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough, perhaps high for a time in west.
Rain for a time.
Moderate or good, becoming poor for a time.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.
Rough or very rough, occasionally high west of the Lizard peninsula.
Squally showers, rain later.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly or southwesterly 6 to gale 8, increasing severe gale 9 for a time, perhaps storm 10 for a time in far west.
Rough or very rough, occasionally high.
Rain, squally showers later.
Moderate or good, becoming poor for a time.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 later in west.
Rough or very rough, but moderate at first in the Bristol Channel, occasionally high near Lands End.

Squally showers, rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly or southwesterly 6 to gale 8, increasing severe gale 9 for a time, perhaps storm 10 for a time in far west.
Rough or very rough, occasionally high in west.
Rain, squally showers later.
Moderate or good, becoming poor for a time.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or southwest 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 later.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later near St Davids Head.
Squally showers, rain later.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly or southwesterly 6 to gale 8, increasing severe gale 9 for a time, perhaps storm 10 for a time in far south.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough, but high for a time near St Davids Head.
Rain then squally showers.
Moderate or good, becoming poor for a time.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 at times.
Moderate or rough.
Squally showers, wintry at times, rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or southwest 6 to gale 8, increasing severe gale 9, perhaps storm 10 for a time.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough.
Rain then squally showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Isle of Man - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 at times.
Moderate or rough.
Showers, rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or southwest 6 to gale 8, increasing severe gale 9, perhaps storm 10 for a time.
Rough or very rough.
Rain then showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or southwest, backing south later, 6 to gale 8.
Moderate or rough, but very rough, occasionally high in north.
Squally wintry showers, rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southerly or cyclonic, becoming westerly, 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9, perhaps storm 10 for a time in north.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough, but very rough, occasionally high in

north.
Rain, then squally wintry showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest, backing south later, 6 to gale 8.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough near Mull of Kintyre.
Squally wintry showers, rain later.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or cyclonic, becoming westerly, 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9, perhaps storm 10 for a time in west.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough.
Rain then squally, wintry showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest, backing south later, 6 to gale 8, decreasing 5 for a time later.
Very rough or high, occasionally very high for a time in west.
Squally wintry showers, rain later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or cyclonic, becoming westerly, 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 or severe gale 9, perhaps storm 10 for a time in south.
Very rough or high.
Rain then squally, wintry showers.
Moderate or poor, occasionally good later.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 6 to gale 8, backing south 5 to 7 later.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough or high in south and far north, and very high for a time in far south.
Squally wintry showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or cyclonic, becoming northwesterly, 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 or severe gale 9.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough or high in south and far north.
Rain then squally, wintry showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 for a time, backing south 5 to 7 later.
Very rough or high, becoming very high.
Squally wintry showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or cyclonic, becoming northwesterly, 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 or severe gale 9.
Very high, becoming high, occasionally very rough later.
Rain then squally, wintry showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Monday 02 Jan 2012 at 0000 UTC until Monday 02 Jan 2012 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A low complex near Iceland will drift east and fill. Meanwhile, a rapidly deepening low will track northeast into the northern UK.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Southwesterly gale force 8.

Southwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.
Rough or very rough, occasionally high later.
Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Monday 02 Jan until 0000 UTC on Tuesday 03 Jan:

Southwest 6 or 7, increasing gale 8 for a time.
Very rough or high.
Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest to west 5 to 6, backing southwest 6 to 7 with gusts to 45 knots Monday morning, veering west to northwest by afternoon.
Rough becoming very rough.
Rain or drizzle and coastal fog patches soon clearing, then scattered rain or hail showers developing, becoming more frequent for a time in the morning.
Moderate to good, but poor or very poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 6 to 7 with gusts to 45kts, backing southwest by evening, increasing 7 to gale 8 by morning, perhaps severe gale 9 in the north, starting to veer northwest by Tuesday evening.
Rough or very rough.
Showers, dying out occasional rain or drizzle from around midnight, locally heavy Tuesday afternoon.
Good, becoming moderate to poor in rain or drizzle.

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