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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0600 UTC Tuesday 05 January to 0600 UTC Wednesday 06 January
2016

General Situation

A slow-moving area of low pressure will continue to bring unsettled windy weather.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

East veering southeast 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 at times.

Rough or very rough, but mainly moderate in north.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast 6 to gale 8, increasing severe gale 9.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in east.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Easterly veering southeasterly 6 to gale 8.

Very rough, occasionally rough.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeasterly 6 to gale 8, increasing severe gale 9 later in north.

Rough or very rough.

Showers, occasional rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Easterly 6 to gale 8, veering southeasterly 5 to 7.

Very rough, occasionally rough.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeasterly veering southerly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in north.

Rough or very rough.

Rain.

Moderate or good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeasterly backing easterly 4 at first south of Flamborough Head, otherwise 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in north.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly, veering westerly or southwesterly later, 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southeasterly, backing easterly in north, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times, becoming variable 3 or 4 later in south.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later in far north.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly 5 or 6 in north, otherwise variable 3 or 4 at first, becoming southerly or southeasterly 5 or 6, veering westerly later in west.

Rough at first in far north, otherwise slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 5 or 6, becoming variable 3 or 4.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight later.

Thundery showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming southerly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, veering westerly later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest, veering northwest later, 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight.

Thundery showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4, then becoming south 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, veering west later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

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

24 hour forecast:

Westerly veering northwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally 4 at first in east.

Very rough or high in far west, otherwise moderate or rough.

Thundery showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or northwesterly, backing southerly for a time, 4, increasing 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight in shelter.

Fair then rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

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

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic 4 or 5 at first in north, otherwise westerly veering northwesterly 5 to 7.

Rough or very rough, becoming moderate in north.

Thundery showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or northwesterly, backing southeasterly for a time, 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight in the Bristol Channel.

Showers then rain.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic, becoming north or northwest, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Moderate or rough in St Georges Channel, otherwise slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming south or southeast 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 or severe gale 9 at times, veering west later.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later.

Fair then rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic 5 to 7, becoming variable 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or northeast 4 or 5, veering southeast 6 to gale 8, veering west 7 to severe gale 9 later.

Slight, becoming moderate or rough.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

East or northeast, backing north for a time, 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time.

Moderate becoming slight.

Rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East 4 or 5, veering southeast 6 to gale 8, then veering west 7 to severe gale 9 later.

Slight, becoming moderate or rough.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 5 to 7, becoming variable 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or southeast 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8, veering west 5 to 7 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly veering easterly 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly 4 or 5, veering southeasterly 6 to gale 8.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

East or northeast 5 to 7, decreasing 4.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight in shelter.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or southeast 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 later, then veering west 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight in shelter, becoming very rough for a time later in northwest.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Easterly or northeasterly, veering southeasterly later, 5 to 7, decreasing 4 except in far north.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeasterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in south, veering westerly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming mainly rough.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor in south.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Easterly or northeasterly, veering southeasterly later, 5 to 7, decreasing 4 except in far north.

Moderate or rough.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeasterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in south, veering westerly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor in south.

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

Valid Tuesday 05 Jan 2016 at 0600 UTC until Tuesday 05 Jan 2016 at 1800 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Troughs extending towards Shetland will weaken as a ridge builds from Scandinavia.

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

Easterly veering southeasterly 5 to 7, occasionally 4 in north.

Rough or very rough, but moderate to the lee of Shetland.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1800 UTC on Tuesday 05 Jan until 0600 UTC on Wednesday 06 Jan:

Southeast 5 to 7.

Rough or very rough, but moderate to the lee of Shetland.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest to west 6 to 7, locally gale 8 with gusts to 50kt at first, decreasing 5 to 6 this morning, occasionally 7, veering northwest this evening.

Rough to very rough becoming rather rough to rough.

Frequent showers, locally heavy with the risk of hail and thunder, becoming isolated overnight.

Moderate to good, occasionally poor in showers.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 6, backing west and decreasing 4 to 5 by midday, further backing south in the evening and increasing 5 to 6, locally 7, veering west overnight. Rather rough to rough, becoming moderate to rather rough in the afternoon, with swell.

Isolated showers dying out rain spreading from the west by evening, clearing overnight.

Moderate to good, occasionally poor in rain or showers.

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