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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1200 UTC Friday 02 January to 1200 UTC Saturday 03 January 2015

General Situation

The unsettled weather will continue for the next few days although an area of high pressure will bring quieter conditions to many southern areas by Sunday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 in north, veering northwesterly 5 to 7 later.

Slight in sheltered south otherwise moderate or rough, but very rough or high north and west of Orkney.

Squally showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest backing southwest 5 to 7.

Slight in sheltered south otherwise moderate or rough, but rough or very rough north and west of Orkney.

Showers then fair.

Mainly good.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 5 to 7 later.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Squally showers.

Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 7, backing southwest 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate, but rough in north at first.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Slight near shore, otherwise moderate or rough.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest backing southwest, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 6 to gale 8, becoming variable 4 later.

Mainly slight near shore, otherwise moderate or rough, becoming slight.

Showers, occasional rain later.

Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 4 becoming northwest 5 or 6, backing west 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain then fair.

Mainly good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 5 to 7, becoming variable 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain later.

Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Cyclonic becoming northwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6, southwesterly 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain then fair.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 5 or 6 backing southwesterly 3 or 4, then southerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Moderate or rough.

Rain later.

Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 6 to gale 8 veering northerly 5 or 6, becoming variable 3 or less later.

Moderate or rough.

Rain then fair.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West backing south 4 or 5, veering southwest 6 or 7 perhaps gale 8, later.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Rain later.

Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 6 to gale 8 veering north 5 or 6, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Rain then mainly fair.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwest backing south 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 perhaps gale 8 later, then veering southwest.

Slight in shelter east of the Lizard at first, otherwise moderate or rough, becoming very rough in far west.

Fair then rain.

Good, becoming moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 6 to gale 8 becoming variable then mainly southeast, 3 or 4.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or drizzle, becoming fair for a time.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest backing south or southeast 4 or 5, veering southwest 6 or 7 perhaps gale 8, later.

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

Fair then rain.
Good, becoming moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or southwest 6 to gale 8 veering north 5 or 6, then southeast 4 or 5 later.
Slight or moderate in east, moderate or rough in west.
Occasional rain or drizzle, becoming fair for a time.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West 5 to 7 becoming cyclonic 4 or 5, then north 5 to 7 later.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate for a time.
Fair then rain.
Good, becoming moderate, occasionally poor in south.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North 5 to 7 becoming variable 4, then southeast 4 or 5 later.
Slight or moderate, but rough in far south at first.
Occasional rain at first.
Moderate in south at first otherwise good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West backing southwest 6 to gale 8, becoming variable 4, then north 5 or 6 later.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.
Showers then fair, rain for a time later.
Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North or northwest backing south 4 or 5, occasionally 6, decreasing 3 for a time.
Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West 5 to 7 backing southwest 6 or 7, veering northwest 4 or 5 later.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.
Rain for a time later.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North or northwest, backing south later, 3 or 4.
Slight.
Fair.
Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or southwest 6 to gale 8 decreasing 4 or 5, veering northwest later.
Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough, but very rough at first in far northwest.
Occasional rain or showers, fair later.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest backing south 4 or 5.
Slight or moderate.
Mainly fair.
Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly 6 to gale 8 decreasing 4 or 5, veering northwesterly later.

Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or showers, fair later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly backing southerly 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest gale 8 or severe gale 9 decreasing 4 or 5, veering northwest later.

Slight or moderate in shelter otherwise rough or very rough, but high in west at first.

Squally showers, rain for a time.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest backing south 4 or 5, occasionally 6.

Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough.

Mainly fair.

Good.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West gale 8 to storm 10 veering northwest 5 to 7.

Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough, but very rough in far north and far south.

Showers, squally at first.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest backing southwest 5 to 7.

Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West gale 8 to storm 10 veering northwest 5 to 7.

High or very high, becoming rough or very rough.

Showers, squally at first.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest backing southwest 5 to 7.

Rough or very rough.

Mainly fair.

Good.

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

Valid Friday 02 Jan 2015 at 1200 UTC until Saturday 03 Jan 2015 at 0000 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Low near Faroe tracks rapidly southeast, passing north of Shetland Friday evening. This brings very unsettled conditions, stormy for a time.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Westerly severe gale force 9 increasing storm force 10 soon then violent storm force 11 later (issued 0402UTC on 2nd January)

West gale 8 to storm 10, increasing violent storm 11 for a time, occasionally decreasing 7 later in north.

Very rough or high but moderate or rough close to shelter of east Shetland, becoming very high for a time in west.

Squally showers, perhaps thundery at times, possibly wintry.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0000 UTC on Saturday 03 Jan until 1200 UTC on Saturday 03 Jan:

Westerly veering northwesterly 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 at first in southeast, decreasing 5 or 6 for a time in north.

High at first away from shelter of east Shetland otherwise rough or very rough, occasionally moderate later in east.

Squally wintry showers, possibly thundery.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor or very poor.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4, decreasing 2 or 3 this afternoon, becoming variable by evening, then south to southwest 6 to 7 by the morning, veering west locally gale 8 in the north later.

Slight becoming moderate to rather rough overnight, further increasing rough to very rough in the morning.

Occasional rain or drizzle from around midnight.

Good becoming moderate to poor overnight.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 6 to 7, locally gale 8 in the north at first, decreasing 5 to 6 by evening, veering easterly 3 to 5 overnight, then southeast 2 to 3 in the morning.

Rough to very rough, becoming moderate to rather rough in the evening, then slight with swell overnight.

Occasional light rain or drizzle, clearing overnight.

Moderate to good, occasionally poor.

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