

South Grampian and Southeast Highlands

Including South and East Cairngorms National Park, Aberdeenshire and Angus Hills, Ben Vrackie, Ben Lawers, Loch Tay and Ochils

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 01 May 2024 until 23:59 on Thursday 02 May 2024

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 01 May 2024 at 02:36 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for mostly dry weather next few days with easterly winds bringing a lot of cloud to eastern ranges.

Headline for Wednesday 01 May 2024: Rather cloudy. Patchy rain and drizzle.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 01 May 2024

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow

No Likelihood

Storm force winds

No Likelihood

Gales

No Likelihood

Severe chill effect

No Likelihood

Poor visibility

High Likelihood

Thunderstorms

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

No Likelihood

Strong sunlight

No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
					
Fog	Fog	Drizzle	Drizzle	Mist	Fog
Precipitation probability					
20%	20%	50%	50%	30%	20%

Forecast for Wednesday 01 May 2024

Weather: Mostly cloudy with some patches of drizzle at first, especially hills in east of area. Some bright spells developing further west, such as Perthshire hills and eastern Cairngorms. Thicker cloud will bring some light rain or drizzle later in morning and into afternoon, dying out later.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30%, best chances in west of area.

Low Cloud and visibility: Mostly good visibility beneath the cloud but poor in mist as well as is any rain or drizzle. Extensive cloud cover above about 700 to 800m, lifting and breaking a little in west of area. Some cloud lingering lower down the hills in east.

Forecast for Wednesday 01 May 2024

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)			Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	25/30 SE	23/28 SE	19/25 SE	13/18 E	14/19 E	16/21 E	18/23 NE
900	18/23 SE	16/21 SE	13/20 SE	10/15 E	10/15 E	11/15 E	12/17 NE
600	9/16 SE	8/13 E	9/15 E	8/12 E	6/11 E	6/10 E	5/10 E
300	4/8 E	6/12 E	7/13 E	7/12 E	6/12 E	4/9 NE	4/10 NE
Glen	5/10 E	8/13 E	7/13 E	7/13 E	6/11 E	4/9 NE	5/10 NE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	6/1	6/0	7/2	7/4	7/4	6/2	5/1
900	7/3	7/3	8/5	9/6	8/6	7/4	6/3
600	7/5	8/6	10/8	10/8	10/8	8/7	7/6
300	8/7	9/8	11/9	12/10	11/10	9/9	8/7
Glen	8/6	10/8	11/9	12/10	11/10	9/8	9/7
Freezing Level*	1800m	2000m	2200m	2400m	2400m	2500m	2400m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Feeling cold over higher ridges/summits in fresh east wind.

Forecast for Thursday 02 May 2024

Weather: Mainly dry with a cloudy start and the odd spot of drizzle as well as mist patches at lower levels. Clouds will thin and break a little during the morning to leave some afternoon and early evening sunshine.

Maximum wind: Fresh east winds, strong over higher ridges and summits, average speeds of 25 to 30mph and gusts 40mph on the tops.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20%, improving 60% in afternoon.

Low Cloud and visibility: Patches of poor visibility in mist and low cloud at first, otherwise mostly good visibility beneath the clouds. Clouds extensive around 600 to 700m at first with patches lower down in east of area. Clouds then lifting and breaking by afternoon.

Temperature: **Glens:** 9 Celsius rising to 16 Celsius.

At 800m: Plus 11 Celsius.

Freezing level: Well above the summits.