

## Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Monday 06 Feb 2023 until 23:59 on Tuesday 07 Feb 2023

Forecast Issued on Monday 06 Feb 2023 at 03:01 by Met Office Aberdeen

**Confidence:** High for rather changeable conditions, lower for cloud details, and on Monday, freezing levels.

**Headline for Monday 06 Feb 2023:** Mainly dry but cloudy, strong to gale force southwest winds. Patchy drizzle in west.

### Mountain weather hazards on Monday 06 Feb 2023

**Blizzards**

No Likelihood

**Heavy persistent snow**

No Likelihood

**Storm force winds**

No Likelihood

**Gales**

Medium Likelihood

**Severe chill effect**

High Likelihood

**Poor visibility**

Low 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	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy
Precipitation probability					
10%	20%	20%	20%	20%	20%

### Forecast for Monday 06 Feb 2023

**Weather:** A mainly dry cloudy day, with some hill fog, and just a few brighter intervals in good shelter. Some light drizzle possible in the west, becoming more persistent over Skye later.

**Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m:** 10-20% rising 30% this afternoon.

**Low cloud and visibility:** Cloud around 600-800m lifting 800-1000m in the afternoon for a time, main breaks to the northeast of larger ranges. Very poor visibility within the cloud but generally moderate to good visibility below it though with flat light and some reductions in any drizzle patches.

**Forecast for Monday 06 Feb 2023**

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
<b>1000</b>	51/59 SW	52/61 SW	50/61 SW	45/56 SW	45/56 SW	47/59 SW	42/54 SW
<b>900</b>	47/55 SW	48/57 SW	47/59 SW	43/54 SW	43/54 SW	45/57 SW	40/52 SW
<b>600</b>	34/42 SW	34/43 SW	35/46 SW	32/43 SW	32/44 SW	33/45 SW	28/40 SW
<b>300</b>	5/36 SW	5/37 SW	10/39 SW	9/36 SW	10/39 SW	12/42 SW	10/38 SW
<b>Glen</b>	16/34 SW	17/35 SW	14/29 SW	15/31 SW	16/32 SW	16/32 SW	15/32 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
<b>1000</b>	0/-10	0/-9	0/-9	1/-8	1/-8	1/-8	1/-7
<b>900</b>	1/-8	1/-8	1/-8	2/-7	2/-7	2/-7	2/-6
<b>600</b>	3/-4	3/-4	4/-4	4/-3	4/-3	4/-3	4/-2
<b>300</b>	6/4	6/4	6/3	6/3	6/3	6/2	6/2
<b>Glen</b>	8/4	8/4	8/5	8/5	8/5	8/4	8/5
<b>Freezing Level*</b>	1200m	1200m	1100m	1200m	1200m	1200m	1300m

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

**Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View**

Despite mild conditions at low levels a severe chill at height.

**Forecast for Tuesday 07 Feb 2023**

**Weather:** Cloudy start with occasional rain, with snow above 900m. Drier clearer conditions reaching Skye by dawn extending southeast to all by midday to bring a sunny afternoon and a clear evening

**Maximum wind:** Southwest 40 gusts 60mph early hours easing 20 gusts 30mph by dawn increasing 35 gusts 50mph during the evening.

**Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m:** 10% rising 90% in the brighter weather extending from northwest.

**Low cloud and visibility:** Extensive cloud at 450-750m with occasionally poor visibility below the cloud in precipitation, soon clearing from the northwest to become patchy above summits with good visibility.

**Temperature:** **Glens:** Plus 7 Celsius rising to Plus 2 in the evening.  
**At 800m:** Plus 2 Celsius falling to Minus 2 during the afternoon.  
**Freezing level:** 1000m falling 600m