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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0000 UTC Wednesday 03 April to 0000 UTC Thursday 04 April 2019

General Situation

Low pressure to the east of Scotland will move steadily southwestwards through Wednesday, bringing gales to many northern and western waters, and maintaining unsettled weather for all parts. This low will become slow-moving near the Bristol Channel by Thursday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North 7 to severe gale 9, backing northeast 6 to gale 8, then decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Rough or very rough, occasionally high in north, becoming moderate or rough later.

Occasional rain or wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7, then veering easterly 4 or 5 later in south.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North or northwest 6 to gale 8, becoming cyclonic, then northeast later, 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough, becoming mainly moderate in south.

Rain, showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly or northeasterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 for a time, then becoming variable 3 or 4 at times later.

Moderate, occasionally rough in far north.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 5 to 7, backing south 3 or 4, then east or northeast 5 or 6 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming rough for a time in far north.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or northeast 5 or 6, veering east or southeast 4 or 5.

Moderate.

Rain then showers.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 4 or 5 at first in north, otherwise variable 3 or 4, becoming cyclonic, mainly easterly, 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers, occasional rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
East or southeast 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain or showers at first.
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland
24 hour forecast:
Variable or cyclonic, mainly southwesterly backing southeasterly, 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.
Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate for a time in north.
Showers, occasionally thundery.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Cyclonic, becoming southerly or southeasterly, 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.
Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.
Showers.
Good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill
24 hour forecast:
Cyclonic, mainly westerly or southwesterly, 3 or 4.
Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.
Showers, occasionally thundery.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable, mainly southwesterly, 3 or 4, becoming southerly 5 or 6.
Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate, occasionally rough in west.
Showers.
Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis
24 hour forecast:
West or northwest, becoming variable at times, 3 or 4.
Slight.
Showers, occasionally thundery.
Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West 3 or 4, backing south 5 to 7.
Slight becoming moderate, occasionally rough.
Rain or showers.
Moderate or good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northerly or northwesterly, backing westerly later, 4 or 5 in east, 6 or 7 in west, and occasionally gale 8 at first in far west.
West of the Lizard peninsula: rough or very rough, becoming moderate or rough, elsewhere: slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in shelter.
Showers, occasionally thundery.
Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Cyclonic, mainly westerly or southwesterly, backing southerly later, 5 or 6, increasing 7 at times.
Slight or moderate, but rough or very rough until later in far west.
Rain or showers, occasionally thundery.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northwesterly, becoming cyclonic later, 4 or 5 in east, 6 or 7 in west, and occasionally gale 8 at first in far west.

Moderate or rough in west, slight or moderate in east.

Thundery showers, rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Cyclonic, becoming southerly later, 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times.

Moderate or rough at first in west, otherwise slight or moderate.

Rain then showers, occasionally thundery.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

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

24 hour forecast:

North 4 or 5, backing north or northwest, then becoming cyclonic later, 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough for a time.

Thundery showers, rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Cyclonic, becoming east or northeast, 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

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

24 hour forecast:

North or northwest, becoming cyclonic, then northeast later, 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times, occasionally gale 8 at first near Mull of Galloway.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough far in far west.

Rain or showers, occasionally thundery.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or northeast 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain then showers.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northwesterly, veering easterly later, 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first in west.

Slight, becoming moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or northeast 5 or 6.

Moderate or rough.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in north, backing northeasterly 5 or 6 later.

Slight or moderate at first and later in east, otherwise moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in far northwest.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly or northeasterly 5 or 6, increasing 7 at times.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough.
Rain for a time, then showers.
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northwesterly 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 at times, backing northeasterly 5 or 6 later.
Rough until later in North Channel, otherwise slight or moderate.
Occasional rain or showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly or northeasterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight or moderate.
Rain for a time, then showers.
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North 6 to gale 8, increasing severe gale 9 at times, backing northeast 5 or 6 later.
Rough or very rough, becoming moderate or rough later.
Wintry showers, rain for a time.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or northeast 5 or 6, decreasing 4 at times.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.
Rain for a time.
Good, becoming moderate for a time.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North 6 to gale 8, increasing severe gale 9 at times, backing northeast 5 to 7 later.
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough for a time in north, occasionally high for a time in far north, becoming slight or moderate later in south.
Wintry showers, rain for a time.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times.
Moderate or rough in north, slight or moderate in south.
Rain or showers.
Moderate or good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North 6 to gale 8, increasing severe gale 9 at times, backing northeast 5 to 7 later.
Rough or very rough, becoming very rough or high for a time.
Wintry showers, rain for a time.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times.
Rough or very rough, becoming moderate or rough.
Rain or showers.
Moderate or good.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Wednesday 03 Apr 2019 at 0000 UTC until Wednesday 03 Apr 2019 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A frontal trough over Shetland waters clears westwards through Wednesday with a complex area of low pressure moving west into Scotland.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle at time of issue: Gale now ceased but northerly severe gale force 9 expected later (issued 02/0347Z)

Northerly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in west, veering northeasterly 5 to 7

Rough or very rough

Rain

Moderate or good, occasionally poor

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Wednesday 03 Apr until 0000 UTC on Thursday 04 Apr:

Northeasterly 5 to 7, occasionally 4 later in southeast

Very rough at first in west, otherwise mainly rough

Rain then showers

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West to northwest 3 to 5, perhaps locally 6 at first near showers with gusts to 30kt, decreasing 2 to 4 during the day, occasionally variable 1 to 2.

Moderate to rather rough, becoming mainly slight during the morning, perhaps moderate in the west later.

Scattered showers, occasionally heavy with hail and thunder, becoming more isolated during the afternoon.

Good, occasionally moderate to poor in showers.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West to northwest 2 to 4, backing southwest 3 to 5 from dawn, then southwest to south 5 to 6 during the morning, occasionally 7 mid-channel for a time from late morning.

Slight to moderate, becoming rather rough to rough in the northwest during the day.

Scattered showers, locally heavy with hail and a risk of thunder.

Good, occasionally moderate to poor in showers.

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