

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Tuesday 10 Aug 2021 until 23:59 on Wednesday 11 Aug 2021

Forecast Issued on Monday 09 Aug 2021 at 15:12 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for the main themes over the coming days. Some uncertainty in the timings of rain arriving and clearing on Wednesday, give or take 2 or 3 hours.

Headline for Tuesday 10 Aug 2021: Bright spells and scattered showers. Light winds.

Mountain weather hazards on Tuesday 10 Aug 2021

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Gales

No Likelihood

Thunderstorms

Low Likelihood

Heavy Snow

No Likelihood

Severe chill effect

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

No Likelihood

Storm force winds

No Likelihood

Poor visibility

Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight

Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
							
Fog	Fog	Fog	Fog	Sunny intervals	Light rain showers	Light rain showers	Cloudy
Precipitation probability							
20%	20%	20%	30%	30%	40%	40%	30%

Forecast for Tuesday 10 Aug 2021

Weather: Cloudy and misty start with scattered showers but many places dry. Slowly brightening up by afternoon but a few isolated showers will develop, these mainly in the east where possibly heavy with a small chance of thunder. Best of the dry weather and sunny intervals towards the west coast. Showers dying out through the evening with skies clearing.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 20% at first becoming 80% by the afternoon.

Visibility: Poor at height at first with areas of cloud, bases 500 to 700m. Becoming mainly very good by the afternoon as cloud lifts, but patchy cloud will affect summits in any showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	8/11 NW	6/8 NW	8/10 NW	7/10 NW	7/11 NW	8/13 NW	8/11 NW	5/7 W	8/11 S
900	8/11 NW	6/8 NW	8/11 NW	7/10 NW	7/11 NW	8/13 NW	8/11 NW	5/7 W	8/11 S
600	7/9 N	6/9 N	7/10 N	6/9 NW	7/10 NW	8/12 NW	7/11 NW	3/5 W	6/9 S
300	6/11 N	4/8 NW	6/11 NW	6/10 NW	6/11 NW	4/11 W	3/9 W	1/4 W	1/7 S
Glen	5/9 N	4/7 N	6/11 N	4/7 NW	7/11 W	7/11 W	5/9 SW	2/4 S	2/4 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	8/6	8/6	8/6	8/6	8/6	9/7	8/6	8/6	7/5
900	9/7	9/7	8/6	8/7	9/7	10/8	9/7	8/7	8/6
600	10/9	10/9	10/9	10/9	11/10	12/10	11/10	10/10	10/9
300	12/11	12/11	12/11	12/12	14/14	15/14	14/14	12/12	11/11
Glen	14/14	14/14	14/13	15/15	16/15	16/15	16/15	14/14	13/13
Freezing Level*	2300m	2300m	2300m	2300m	2200m	2200m	2200m	2100m	2100m

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

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

A lot of dry weather on Tuesday but be prepared for the odd shower, possibly heavy in the east of the area.

Forecast for Wednesday 11 Aug 2021

Weather: Dry overnight then a bright start in the east. Cloud and outbreaks of rain will spread in from the west during the morning, becoming heavy at times. The rain should clear away eastwards around late afternoon or early evening to leave a bright or clear end to the day.

Maximum wind: Southerly 10mph overnight increasing to 20-25mph during the morning with gusts of 35mph, possibly 45mph on summits and exposed ridges.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 90% at first, becoming 20% for a few hours in low cloud and rain.

Visibility: Good at first but cloud bases will lower to about 600 or 700m with poor visibility on high ground for a few hours, especially near the west coast. Becoming good again later as rain clears.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 10 Celsius rising to 18 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 7 to 12 Celsius
Freezing level: Above the summits.