

AND NOW THE SHIPPING FORECAST ISSUED BY THE MET OFFICE, ON BEHALF OF THE MARITIME AND COASTGUARD AGENCY, AT 0015 ON TUESDAY 05 JANUARY 2010

THERE ARE WARNINGS OF GALES IN VIKING SOUTH UTSIRE FORTIES CROMARTY FORTH DOGGER FISHER TRAFALGAR FITZROY SHANNON ROCKALL MALIN HEBRIDES BAILEY FAIR ISLE FAEROES AND SOUTHEAST ICELAND

THE GENERAL SYNOPSIS AT 1800

LOW TRAFALGAR 995 MOVING AWAY EASTWARDS BY 1800 TUESDAY. NEW LOWS EXPECTED GERMAN BIGHT 997 AND WIGHT 999 BY SAME TIME

THE AREA FORECASTS FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS

VIKING NORTH UTSIRE

NORTHEASTERLY OR CYCLONIC 3 OR 4, INCREASING 5 TO 7 FOR A TIME, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8 IN VIKING. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY MODERATE IN NORTH UTSIRE. SQUALLY SNOW SHOWERS. GOOD, OCCASIONALLY VERY POOR

SOUTH UTSIRE FORTIES CROMARTY FORTH TYNE DOGGER FISHER
CYCLONIC AT TIMES IN SOUTH UTSIRE, TYNE, DOGGER AND FISHER, OTHERWISE NORTHERLY OR NORTHEASTERLY 5 TO 7, INCREASING GALE 8 AT TIMES EXCEPT IN TYNE, OCCASIONALLY SEVERE GALE 9 IN FISHER LATER. MODERATE OR ROUGH, INCREASING ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH EXCEPT IN TYNE. SQUALLY SNOW SHOWERS. GOOD OCCASIONALLY VERY POOR, LIGHT ICING IN SOUTH UTSIRE AND FISHER LATER

GERMAN BIGHT

WESTERLY OR SOUTHWESTERLY, BECOMING CYCLONIC IN NORTH, 4 OR 5, INCREASING 6 OR 7 AT TIMES. SLIGHT OR MODERATE, INCREASING ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH IN NORTH LATER. SNOW SHOWERS. GOOD OCCASIONALLY VERY POOR

HUMBER THAMES DOVER

WEST OR SOUTHWEST 4 OR 5, OCCASIONALLY 6 IN HUMBER. SLIGHT OR MODERATE, INCREASING MODERATE OR ROUGH IN NORTH HUMBER LATER. WINTRY SHOWERS. GOOD OCCASIONALLY POOR

WIGHT PORTLAND PLYMOUTH

VARIABLE BECOMING SOUTHWEST 3 OR 4, THEN CYCLONIC 5 TO 7, VEERING NORTHWEST IN PLYMOUTH AND PORTLAND LATER. SLIGHT OR MODERATE. WINTRY SHOWERS, RAIN OR SNOW LATER. GOOD OCCASIONALLY POOR

BISCAY

NORTHEAST BACKING WEST OR NORTHWEST 4 OR 5, INCREASING 6 AT TIMES. ROUGH AT FIRST IN SOUTHWEST, OTHERWISE MODERATE. OCCASIONAL RAIN. MODERATE OR GOOD

TRAFALGAR

WEST OR NORTHWEST 6 TO GALE 8 DECREASING 3 OR 4. HIGH AT FIRST IN SOUTH, OTHERWISE ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. SHOWERS. MODERATE OR POOR BECOMING GOOD

FITZROY

NORTHEASTERLY BACKING NORTHERLY OR NORTHWESTERLY, 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8 AT FIRST IN SOUTHEAST, DECREASING 4 AT TIMES. ROUGH, DECREASING MODERATE OR ROUGH. SHOWERS. GOOD

SOLE LUNDY FASTNET IRISH SEA

NORTH OR NORTHEAST, BACKING WEST FOR A TIME, 4 OR 5 INCREASING 5 TO 7. SLIGHT OR MODERATE, BUT MODERATE OR ROUGH INCREASING ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH IN SOLE. SLEET AND SNOW SHOWERS, RAIN FOR A TIME. GOOD OCCASIONALLY VERY POOR

SHANNON ROCKALL MALIN HEBRIDES BAILEY FAIR ISLE FAEROES
NORTHWEST 4 OR 5 AT FIRST IN SHANNON, OTHERWISE NORTH OR NORTHEAST 6
TO GALE 8, OCCASIONALLY SEVERE GALE 9 IN HEBRIDES, FAIR ISLE AND
FAEROES. MODERATE AT FIRST IN SHANNON, OTHERWISE ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH,
INCREASING HIGH FOR A TIME. SQUALLY SLEET AND SNOW SHOWERS. GOOD
OCCASIONALLY VERY POOR

SOUTHEAST ICELAND
NORTHERLY OR NORTHEASTERLY 5 TO 7 DECREASING 4 OR 5 , OCCASIONALLY
GALE 8 AT FIRST IN EAST. VERY ROUGH OR HIGH DECREASING ROUGH.
OCCASIONAL SNOW. GOOD OCCASIONALLY POOR