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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0000 UTC Friday 02 January to 0000 UTC Saturday 03 January 2015

General Situation

The very unsettled and at times windy conditions will persist across United Kingdom coastal waters for the next couple of days.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10.

Moderate or rough in east, very rough or high in north.

Occasional rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West veering northwest 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9.

Very rough or high north and west of Orkney, otherwise moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10.

Mainly slight near shore, otherwise moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 7 to severe gale 9, veering northwest 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 7 to severe gale 9.

Mainly slight near shore, otherwise moderate or rough.

Showers then mainly fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 7 to severe gale 9, veering northwest 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Occasional rain for a time.

Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest veering west 6 to gale 8.

Mainly slight near shore, otherwise moderate or rough.

Occasional rain then fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 5 to 7, veering northwest 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Rain for a time.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 6 to gale 8, veering westerly 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Occasional rain, becoming fair.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly 5 to 7, becoming variable 3 or 4, then northwesterly 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain for a time.

Good, becoming moderate for a time.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 7 to severe gale 9, veering northwesterly 5 or 6, then backing westerly 4 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Rain or drizzle then fair.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly becoming cyclonic, then easterly later, 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Rain for a time.

Good, becoming moderate or poor for a time.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest backing northwest for a time, 6 to gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Rain or drizzle then fair.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest becoming cyclonic, then east later, 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8 for a time.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough.

Rain for a time.

Good, becoming moderate or poor for a time.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest veering northwest 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4, then backing south 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate, except in far west.

Rain or drizzle then fair.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South becoming cyclonic, then west later, 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8 for a time.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough, and very rough for a time in far west.

Rain, mainly fair later.

Good becoming moderate or poor for a time.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4, backing south later.

Rough or very rough, becoming moderate or rough.

Rain then fair.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South becoming cyclonic 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8 for a time.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in southwest.

Rain, fair later.

Good, becoming moderate or poor for a time.

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

24 hour forecast:

West 6 to gale 8, backing southwest 5 or 6 later.

Rough or very rough, becoming moderate or rough.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest backing east 5 or 6, becoming variable 3 or 4 at times.

Slight or moderate.

Rain for a time.

Good, becoming moderate or poor for a time.

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

24 hour forecast:

West 7 to severe gale 9, backing southwest 5 to 7 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first.

Showers then fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 to 7, veering northwest 4 or 5, then becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight later.

Rain for a time.

Moderate or good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 7 or gale 8, decreasing 6 or 7, then backing southwest later.

Rough or very rough, becoming moderate or rough.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 6 or 7, decreasing 4 or 5, then veering north or northwest 5 or 6 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Rain for a time later.

Good, becoming moderate or poor for a time later.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9.

Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough in east, rough or very rough, occasionally high in north.

Showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Very rough at first in north, otherwise moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate in east.

Occasional rain or showers, fair later.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9.
Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in far north.
Showers.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.
Occasional rain or showers, fair later.
Moderate or good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or southwest 7 to severe gale 9.
Slight or moderate in shelter otherwise very rough or high.
Squally showers, rain for a time.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or northwest 6 to gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.
Slight or moderate in shelter otherwise very rough or high, becoming moderate or rough.
Showers, fair later.
Good.

The Minch - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10.
Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough, but very rough or high in far north and in far south.
Squally showers, rain for a time.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or northwest 6 to gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5.
Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough, and very rough at first in far north and in far south.
Squally wintry showers, fair later.
Moderate or good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10.
Very rough becoming high, and very high for a time in north.
Squally showers, rain for a time.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or northwest 6 to gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5.
High, becoming very rough, then rough later.
Squally wintry showers, fair later.
Moderate or good.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Friday 02 Jan 2015 at 0000 UTC until Friday 02 Jan 2015 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation
Developing, complex area of low pressure to the north bringing a gale, and

perhaps storm force, cold, unstable flow.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Severe gale force 9 decreasing gale force 8 imminent, then veering westerly and increasing severe gale force 9 later issued on Thursday 1 January 2015 at 0404 UTC

West 4 or 5, increasing 7 to severe gale 9.

Moderate in shelter east of Shetland, otherwise rough or very rough, occasionally high later in west.

Showers, squally and perhaps thundery.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Friday 02 Jan until 0000 UTC on Saturday 03 Jan:

Westerly 7 to severe gale 9, perhaps storm 10 in north.

Moderate or rough in shelter east of Shetland, otherwise very rough or high, occasionally very high later in west.

Showers, squally and possibly thundery and wintry.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South to southwest 6 to 7, veering northwest 4 to 5 before dawn, decreasing 3 to 4 by midday, becoming variable 1 to 3 by early evening, then south 4 by midnight.

Rather rough to rough, becoming mainly moderate in the morning and slight in the evening.

Outbreaks of rain and drizzle, clearing in the morning.

Moderate to poor, becoming good in the morning.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 4, soon increasing 5 to 6, veering southwest to west 6 to gale 8 before dawn, veering north 3 to 4 later in the afternoon, further veering northeast to east 2 or 3 by Sunday.

Slight to moderate with swell, soon increasing rather rough to rough, decreasing moderate in the morning then slight later.

Occasional rain and drizzle.

Good, becoming moderate to poor in rain and drizzle.

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