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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1200 UTC Wednesday 02 March to 1200 UTC Thursday 03 March 2016

General Situation

A deep area of low pressure over the North Sea will move away southeastwards. A brief ridge will follow bringing quieter conditions for a time, before a new area of low pressure moves into the United Kingdom later on Thursday and into Friday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic becoming mainly northerly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in north, decreasing 4 at times in east.

Slight or moderate in east, rough or very rough, becoming high for a time in north.

Occasional rain or wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly backing northerly or northeasterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 at times in north.

Slight or moderate in east, moderate or rough, becoming rough or very rough later, in north.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest becoming cyclonic, then northwest later, 5 or 6, becoming variable 3 or 4 at times.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4, then east 4 or 5 later.

Slight, occasionally moderate.

Wintry showers.

Mainly good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic, mainly north or northwest, backing southwest later, 4 or 5.

Mainly slight.

Occasional rain or wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest backing south 4 or 5, then east 5 or 6 later.

Slight becoming moderate later.

Wintry showers.

Mainly good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest, becoming variable later, 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.

Occasional rain or wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming southeast 5 or 6, then cyclonic 6 or 7 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate or rough later.

Occasional rain later.

Good, occasionally poor later.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly veering westerly or northwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough near North Foreland, becoming smooth or slight later.

Occasional rain or wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming southerly 5 or 6, then cyclonic 5 to 7 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate or rough later.

Rain later.

Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly veering northwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 at first, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Rough or very rough, becoming moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly 4 or 5, backing southerly or southwesterly 5 to 7 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Rain later.

Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West, veering northwest, 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 at first, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Rough or very rough, becoming moderate or rough.

Squally wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 4 or 5, backing south or southwest 5 to 7 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Fair, then occasional rain or showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

West veering northwest 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 at first, backing west 3 or 4 later.

East of the Lizard, rough or very rough, becoming moderate or rough, west of the Lizard, very rough or high, becoming very high at first in far west, becoming moderate or rough later.

Squally wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

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

Slight or moderate, but rough in west.

Occasional rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 at first, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Very rough or high, occasionally very high at first in far southwest, becoming moderate or rough later.

Squally wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West backing south 4 or 5, then veering northwest 5 to 7, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 4 or 5 later, then backing west 3 or 4 later.

Rough or very rough, becoming slight or moderate later.

Squally wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 3 or 4, backing south, then veering northwest, then becoming cyclonic later, 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later in north.

Occasional rain or showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in south, becoming slight or moderate later.

Squally wintry showers, fair later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 3 or 4, becoming cyclonic, then northeast later, 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later in southwest.

Occasional rain or showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 6 or 7, increasing 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 5 or 6 later, then backing west 3 or 4 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough for a time, becoming slight or moderate later.

Wintry showers then fair.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 3 or 4, becoming cyclonic 5 or 6, then becoming north or northeast 6 or 7 later.

Slight becoming moderate or rough.

Rain or sleet for a time.

Good, becoming moderate or poor for a time.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 4 or 5 later, then becoming variable 3 or 4 later.
Moderate or rough becoming slight or moderate in east, very rough or high, becoming moderate or rough later, in north.
Wintry showers, fair later.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 3 or 4, becoming cyclonic, then northeasterly later, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later in southeast.
Slight or moderate for a time in east, otherwise moderate or rough.
Occasional rain or showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northwesterly 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 4 or 5 later, then becoming variable 3 or 4 later.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in north, becoming slight or moderate later.
Wintry showers, fair later.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 3 or 4, becoming cyclonic, then northeasterly later, 5 to 7.
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later.
Occasional rain or showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 4 or 5 later, then becoming variable 3 or 4 later.
Rough or very rough, occasionally high, becoming moderate or rough later.
Wintry showers, fair later.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 3 or 4, becoming cyclonic, then northeast later, 5 to 7.
Moderate or rough, becoming rough or very rough.
Occasional rain or showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
North 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 4 or 5 later, then becoming variable 3 or 4 later.
Moderate or rough, but very rough or high for a time in far north and in far south.
Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 3 or 4, becoming north or northeast 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.
Moderate or rough, becoming rough or very rough later.
Wintry showers.
Mainly good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
North 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 4 or 5 later, then becoming variable 3 or 4 later.
Very rough or high, becoming rough later.

Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 3 or 4, becoming north or northeast 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough later.
Wintry showers.
Mainly good.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Wednesday 02 Mar 2016 at 1200 UTC until Thursday 03 Mar 2016 at 0000 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation
Low over Shetland Waters moves away southeast on Wednesday afternoon then returns north later on Thursday.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Northerly severe gale force 9

Southerly 5 or 6 becoming variable 3 then northwest 4 or 5 later.
Rough or very rough, occasionally moderate in east.
Isolated showers.
Good occasionally moderate.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0000 UTC on Thursday 03 Mar until 1200 UTC on Thursday 03 Mar:
Northwest 4 or 5 veering north 5 or 6, but 7 for a time in west, occasionally 4 later in east.
Moderate or rough but very rough at first in west and far northeast.
Showers soon increasing in west.
Good occasionally moderate.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:
West to northwest 7 to gale 8, locally severe gale 9 with gusts to 70kt at first, veering northwest mid-afternoon, decreasing 6 to 7 by morning and 5 to 6 by midday.
Very rough to high, becoming mainly rough Thursday morning.
Scattered squally showers with hail and the risk of thunder, becoming isolated by this evening.
Moderate to good, occasionally poor in showers.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest to west 4 to 5, backing southwest to south by late afternoon, veering west late evening and increasing 6 to 7 for a time, further veering northwest by Friday morning.
Rough soon becoming moderate to rather rough.
Occasional rain, turning to scattered showers overnight.
Moderate to good, occasionally poor in rain or showers.

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