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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1800 UTC Wednesday 04 May to 1800 UTC Thursday 05 May 2011

General Situation

Pressure will remain high over the North Sea during the next day or two but Atlantic fronts will gradually push eastwards across western and northern parts of the British Isles.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

East or southeast 4 or 5, occasionally 3 in Moray Firth.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in Moray Firth.

Occasional rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or southeast, veering south later, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first near Orkney.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in Moray Firth.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 4 or 5.

Slight, occasionally moderate later.

Occasional rain later.

Good, becoming moderate occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.

Slight, occasionally moderate in north.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 4 or 5.

Slight.

Showers later.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.

Slight.

Showers then fair.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 4 or 5.

Slight.

Showers later.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.

Slight.

Showers then fair.

Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Easterly veering southeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in north.

Slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first in north.

Slight.

Fair.

Good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Easterly or northeasterly, veering southeasterly for a time later, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, decreasing 3 at times later.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly or northeasterly, veering southeasterly for a time, 3 or 4, occasionally 2 later.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Easterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first near headlands in east, veering southeasterly 3 or 4.

Slight, occasionally moderate.

Showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast 3 or 4, occasionally 2 later.

Mainly slight.

Showers.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 3 in east, increasing 6 at times west of land's end.

Moderate in west, slight occasionally moderate in east.

Showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southeasterly 3 or 4, but 5 or 6 in far west.

Slight or moderate in east, moderate in west.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west, decreasing 3 at times in east.

Mainly moderate in west, slight in east.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west, decreasing 3 at times in east.

Moderate in west, slight in east.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 3 in north, increasing 6 at times in west.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 4 or 5, occasionally 3 later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 for a time.

Slight, occasionally moderate except in Liverpool Bay.

Rain or showers, mainly later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.

Slight, occasionally moderate except in Liverpool Bay.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 4 or 5, increasing 6 for a time, veering south 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 4 or 5.

Mostly moderate.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Easterly or southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in North Channel, decreasing 3 at times in Firth of Clyde.
Slight, occasionally moderate in North Channel.
Fair then rain or showers.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Easterly or southeasterly veering southerly or southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in North Channel, decreasing 3 at times in Firth of Clyde.
Slight, occasionally moderate south of Arran.
Rain or showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west.
Slight or moderate.
Fair then rain or showers.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southerly or southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west.
Slight or moderate.
Rain or showers.
Moderate or good.

The Minch - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Variable becoming mainly easterly 3 or 4, but veering southeasterly 5 or 6 in south.
Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate south of Skye later.
Fair then rain or showers.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Easterly or southeasterly veering southerly or southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in south, decreasing 3 at times in north.
Smooth or slight north and east of Skye, slight or moderate south and west of Skye.
Rain or showers.
Moderate or good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Variable becoming mainly easterly 3 or 4, but veering southeasterly 5 or 6 in south.
Slight or moderate in south, smooth or slight in north.
Fair then rain or showers.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Easterly or southeasterly veering southerly or southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in south, decreasing 3 at times in north.
Smooth or slight near Sutherland, otherwise slight or moderate.
Rain or showers.
Moderate or good.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Wednesday 04 May 2011 at 1800 UTC until Thursday 05 May 2011 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A ridge of high pressure, extending south across Shetland waters, drifts away east during Thursday.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil

Variable 2 or 3 becoming east or southeast 3 or 4.

Mainly slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Thursday 05 May until 1800 UTC on Thursday 05 May:

East or southeast 4 or 5, occasionally 3 at first.

Mainly slight.

Fair.

Good.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

East to southeast 2 to 4, veering southeast to south overnight, becoming east or variable by the afternoon.

Mainly slight.

Fair, isolated showers at first mist patches near coasts by dawn.

Mainly moderate, locally poor Thursday morning.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Soon becoming southeast 2 to 4.

Slight with a low swell.

Fair scattered thundery showers by Friday afternoon.

Moderate to good, locally poor Friday afternoon.

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