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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1800 UTC Thursday 02 May to 1800 UTC Friday 03 May 2013

General Situation

High pressure across the United Kingdom will gradually decline southwards, as areas of low pressure moving across northern areas spread more unsettled and windy weather southeastwards across all areas.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast, becoming cyclonic 5 to 7, then north or northeast 5 or 6.

Slight in Moray Firth, otherwise moderate or rough.

Occasional rain, showers later.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 5 or 6, becoming variable 4, then southwest 6 to gale 8 later.

Slight in Moray Firth, otherwise moderate, occasionally rough.

Rain later.

Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South, then becoming cyclonic later, 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough for a time near Rattray Head.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Cyclonic, becoming north 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, backing southwest 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later.

Rain or sleet, then fair, showers later.

Moderate or poor, becoming mainly good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South 5 or 6.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 5 or 6, veering north or northwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, backing southwest 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later.

Rain for a time.

Good, becoming moderate for a time.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

South or southeast, veering southwest later, 4 or 5.

Slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest, veering northwest for a time, 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8 for a time.

Slight, becoming moderate or rough for a time.

Rain for a time.
Good, occasionally moderate for a time.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly, becoming variable 3 or 4, then southerly 4 or 5 later.

Slight.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly 4 or 5, veering westerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, becoming variable 4 later.

Slight, becoming slight or moderate.

Fair then occasional rain.

Good, occasionally moderate.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly, becoming variable 3 or 4, then southwesterly 4 or 5 later.

Slight.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 for a time.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate.

Occasional rain for a time.

Good, becoming moderate or poor for a time.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming southwest 4 or 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7, veering west or northwest 4 or 5.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate.

Fair then occasional rain for a time.

Good, becoming moderate or poor for a time.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

Northwest backing southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 later.

Slight.

Fair.

Good, occasionally poor around dawn.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest, veering northwest for a time 5 to 7, decreasing 4 later.

Slight, becoming moderate or rough.

Fair then occasional rain for a time.

Good, becoming moderate or poor for a time.

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

24 hour forecast:

Variable becoming southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.

Slight, occasionally moderate later.

Occasional drizzle later.

Good, occasionally poor around dawn.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest veering northwest for a time, 5 to 7, decreasing 4 later.
Slight, becoming moderate or rough.
Rain for a time.
Good, occasionally poor for a time.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South 4 or 5, veering southwest 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.
Smooth or slight, becoming moderate later.
Rain later.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest veering northwest for a time, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5.
Moderate or rough.
Rain for a time.
Good, becoming moderate or poor for a time.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South 4 or 5, veering southwest 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.
Smooth or slight, becoming moderate later.
Rain later.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest veering northwest for a time, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.
Rain at first.
Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South or southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7, veering west or northwest later.
Slight, becoming moderate or rough.
Rain later.
Good, becoming moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or northwest 6 or 7, backing southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.
Moderate, occasionally rough at first.
Rain at first.
Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South veering northwest later, 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest backing southwest later, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, decreasing 4 for a time.
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough for a time.
Rain at first.
Good.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southerly veering northwesterly later, 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Slight, becoming slight or moderate.
Occasional rain.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwesterly backing southwesterly later, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, decreasing 4 for a time.
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough for a time.
Rain at first.
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South or southwest, veering north later, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough.
Occasional rain.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North backing southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, decreasing 4 for a time.
Moderate or rough.
Rain at first, and again later.
Good, occasionally moderate.

The Minch - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Cyclonic, becoming northeast 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far north and far south.
Occasional rain, showers later.
Moderate or poor, becoming good later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northeast 5 or 6, becoming variable 4, then southwest 6 to gale 8 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far north and far south.
Rain later.
Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Cyclonic, becoming northeast 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5 later.
Moderate or rough.
Occasional rain, showers later.
Moderate or poor, becoming good later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northeast 5 or 6, becoming variable 4, then southwest 6 to gale 8 later.
Moderate or rough, becoming rough or very rough later.
Rain later.
Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Thursday 02 May 2013 at 1800 UTC until Friday 03 May 2013 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A ridge of high pressure over Shetland will decline. A depression will move northeast across the area on Friday morning.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil

Variable 3 becoming northeast 5 or 6.
Moderate or rough.
Rain at times.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Friday 03 May until 1800 UTC on Friday 03 May:

Northeast 5 or 6, increasing 7 for a time in the northeast, decreasing 3 or 4 later.
Moderate or rough.
Rain clearing.
Moderate becoming good.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

Northerly 2 or 3, backing northwest to west overnight, then west 3 or 4 Friday afternoon.
Slight, locally moderate late Friday afternoon.
Any patchy light rain in the south and east very soon clearing then fair or fine.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West to southwest 4 or 5, locally 6 in the north, veering northwest 3 or 4 by Saturday morning and decreasing 2 or 3 by midday.
Slight to moderate, locally rather rough at first in the north.
Risk of a little rain or drizzle on Saturday.
Good, locally moderate on Saturday.

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