

## Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart  
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 05 May 2021 until 23:59 on Thursday 06 May 2021

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 05 May 2021 at 03:36 by Met Office Aberdeen

**Confidence:** High for cold and showery weather for the next few days. Low for detail over the weekend.

**Headline for Wednesday 05 May 2021:** Very cold with wintry showers, longer periods of snow developing in the evening.

### Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 05 May 2021

**Blizzards**

No Likelihood

**Heavy Snow**

No Likelihood

**Storm force winds**

No Likelihood

**Gales**

No Likelihood

**Severe chill effect**

High Likelihood

**Poor visibility**

Low Likelihood

**Thunderstorms**

Low Likelihood

**Heavy persistent rain**

No Likelihood

**Strong sunlight**

Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
					
Light snow showers	Light snow showers	Light snow showers	Heavy snow showers	Heavy snow showers	Heavy snow
Precipitation probability					
30%	30%	60%	60%	60%	70%

### Forecast for Wednesday 05 May 2021

**Weather:** Some sunny periods and scattered snow or hail showers throughout the day. Longer periods of snow spreading from the north in the evening.

**Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m:** 70%

**Visibility:** Cloud lowering on to the highest summits in heavier showers in the afternoon, otherwise very good visibility with good air clarity. Quickly dropping poor in snow or hail. Becoming poor in persistent snow and low cloud down to 500 metres in the evening

## Forecast for Wednesday 05 May 2021

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)				Wind Direction (blowing from)		
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	23/27 N	15/20 NW	17/24 NW	17/25 NW	22/30 NW	22/28 NW	27/35 NW
900	21/25 N	14/19 NW	17/23 NW	17/25 NW	21/28 NW	21/28 NW	26/34 NW
600	14/18 N	10/15 NW	14/20 NW	15/22 NW	16/23 NW	15/22 NW	18/26 NW
300	5/20 N	6/17 N	8/21 NW	11/23 NW	9/24 NW	7/22 NW	9/27 NW
Glen	7/15 N	5/11 NW	10/19 N	11/19 NW	11/20 NW	10/20 NW	13/25 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-5/-13	-4/-11	-4/-11	-3/-10	-4/-12	-4/-12	-4/-12
900	-4/-12	-3/-9	-3/-10	-2/-10	-3/-11	-3/-10	-3/-11
600	-2/-8	-1/-6	-0/-6	-0/-6	-1/-7	-1/-7	-1/-7
300	0/-2	2/-1	3/-0	3/-1	2/-2	1/-2	1/-3
Glen	2/-1	4/2	6/2	6/2	5/2	4/0	4/0
Freezing Level*	300m	300m	300m	300m	300m	400m	500m

\*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

## Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Be prepared for winter conditions on the summits.

## Forecast for Thursday 06 May 2021

**Weather:** Cloudy start with some patchy snow. Brightening up through the morning to leave the rest of the day with some bright spells and occasional snow or hail showers. Remaining very cold at height.

**Maximum wind:** Northerly gusts to 30 mph on the tops

**Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m:** 80%

**Visibility:** Poor in low cloud at first with bases down to 500 metres, this lifting off the summits by the end of the morning although still some patchy cloud down to 800 metres in any further snow showers. Snow reducing visibility too.

**Temperature:** **Glens:** Zero rising to 10 Celsius

**At 800m:** Minus 1 rising to plus 1 Celsius

**Freezing level:** 400 metres at first, rising to 900 metres in the afternoon