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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0600 UTC Thursday 05 May to 0600 UTC Friday 06 May 2022

General Situation

High pressure centred near Biscay, will give a mainly westerly flow of air across the British Isles. Winds are expected to strengthen across northwestern waters today, before easing on Friday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly 3 or 4, veering southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in northwest and Moray Firth.

Smooth or slight in Moray Firth, otherwise slight or moderate, occasionally rough later in far northwest.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in far northwest, veering northwesterly 3 or 4, then becoming variable 2 or 3 later.

Smooth or slight in Moray Firth, otherwise slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first in far northwest.

Occasional rain, fair later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

South 3 or 4, veering southwest 4 or 5.

Slight, occasionally moderate near Rattray Head.

Occasional rain.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, becoming variable 2 to 4.

Slight, occasionally moderate at first near Rattray Head.

Rain at first, then showers.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Variable 2 or 3, becoming south or southwest 3 or 4.

Slight, occasionally moderate at first near Whitby.

Fair at first, then showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest, veering northwest later, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Rain or showers, fair later.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 3 or 4, becoming variable 2 or 3, then southwest 3 or 4 later.

Slight, occasionally moderate at first in north.

Fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest, veering northwest later, 2 to 4.
Smooth or slight.
Rain for a time.
Good, becoming moderate for a time.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland
24 hour forecast:
Northwesterly 2 to 4, becoming variable 1 to 3, then southwesterly 2 to 4 later.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwesterly, veering northwesterly later, 2 to 4.
Smooth, occasionally slight.
Rain later.
Moderate or good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill
24 hour forecast:
Northwesterly backing southwesterly 2 to 4, then becoming variable 1 to 3 later.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 2 or 3, becoming southwesterly 4 or 5, then veering northwesterly 2 to 4 later.
Smooth becoming slight.
Showers later.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis
24 hour forecast:
Northwest 2 or 3, backing southwest 3 or 4, then veering northwest 2 to 4 later.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest 2 to 4, backing southwest 4 or 5, then veering northwest 2 or 3 later.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly
24 hour forecast:
Northwest 2 or 3, backing southwest 3 or 4, then veering west or northwest 2 or 3 later.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or northwest 2 or 3, backing southwest 3 or 4, then becoming variable 1 to 3

later.
Smooth or slight, becoming moderate in far west.
Fair at first, then showers.
Good, occasionally poor later.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel
24 hour forecast:
Variable 1 to 3, becoming west or southwest 2 to 4.
Slight, occasionally smooth in east.
Fair.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or southwest 2 to 4, becoming variable 1 or 2 later.
Slight, becoming moderate in west.
Showers, drizzle later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel
24 hour forecast:
Variable 1 to 3, becoming south or southwest 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first, becoming variable 1 or 2 later.
Slight, occasionally moderate at first in south.
Fair at first, then rain at times, drizzle later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway
24 hour forecast:
Variable 2 or 3, becoming southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later in north.
Smooth or slight.
Showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 4 or 5, veering west or northwest 3 or 4, then becoming variable 1 to 3 later.
Slight, occasionally smooth later.
Rain or showers, fair later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Isle of Man
24 hour forecast:
Southwest 2 or 3, increasing 4, occasionally 5 later.
Smooth becoming slight.
Showers, rain later.
Good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 4 or 5, veering west or northwest 3 or 4, then variable 2 or 3 later.
Slight, becoming smooth later.
Rain at first.
Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

Southwest becoming variable 2 to 4, then becoming southwest 4 or 5 later.

Smooth or slight, but slight or moderate in far north.

Showers, rain later.

Good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, veering north or northwest 3 or 4, then becoming variable 1 to 3 later.

Smooth or slight, but moderate at first in far north.

Rain at first, then showers.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel

24 hour forecast:

Southwest becoming variable 2 to 4, then becoming southwest 4 or 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Showers, rain later.

Good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, veering north or northwest 3 or 4, then becoming variable 1 to 3 later.

Smooth or slight.

Rain at first, then showers.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 3 in far south, but occasionally 6 later near Tiree.

Slight or moderate.

Showers, rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 4 or 5, veering westerly 3 or 4, then becoming variable 1 to 3 later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain at first, then showers.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 to 6.

Slight or moderate.

Rain at times, showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, veering northwest 3 or 4, then becoming variable 1 to 3 later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers, fair later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 to 6.

Moderate or rough.

Rain at times, showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in far north, veering northwesterly 3 or 4, then becoming variable 1 to 3 later.

Moderate, occasionally rough at first.

Rain or showers, fair later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland

Valid Thursday 05 May 2022 at 0600 UTC until Thursday 05 May 2022 at 1800 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Low pressure close to Iceland will bring a southwesterly flow on Thursday with Atlantic fronts moving northeast across Shetland Waters.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle at time of issue: Nil

Southwest 4 to 6

Moderate, but slight just east of Shetland

Rain, mist and fog patches

Good, becoming moderate or poor, occasionally very poor

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1800 UTC on Thursday 05 May until 0600 UTC on Friday 06 May:

Southwest 4 to 6

Moderate, becoming rough in west

Occasional rain and fog patches

Moderate or poor, occasionally very poor

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 2 to 4, backing westerly in the north of the area for a time today. Smooth or slight.

Areas of mist or fog patches likely in the far northwest by mid-afternoon, then spreading erratically southeastward.

Mainly good, locally poor or perhaps very poor at times.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly 2 to 4, backing westerly in the north of the area for a time on Friday, then generally veering n'ly 2 to 3 by dawn Saturday.

Smooth or slight, with a low swell developing later.

Areas of mist or fog patches, clearing by mid-afternoon, but developing again overnight.

Mainly good, locally poor or perhaps very poor at times.

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