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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore  
for the period 1200 UTC Friday 05 April to 1200 UTC Saturday 06 April 2013

#### General Situation

Low pressure centred over France will maintain the current strong and unseasonably cold northeasterly airflow through Friday, particularly across southern parts. Winds in the south will then ease on Saturday as a high moves eastwards across the British Isles.

#### Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

Variable 2 or 3, becoming northwest 4 at times.

Slight, becoming moderate in north.

Showers, wintry later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, decreasing 2 at times.

Slight or moderate.

Rain, sleet or wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

#### Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast 3 or 4 becoming variable 2 or 3.

Slight, occasionally moderate.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 2 or 3, increasing 4 at times.

Moderate near Rattray Head, otherwise slight.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

#### Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast 4 or 5, becoming variable 2 or 3 later.

Moderate, becoming slight in north.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 2 or 3, becoming south 4 at times.

Slight, occasionally moderate in south.

Fair.

Good.

#### Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast 4 or 5, decreasing 3 later.

Moderate, becoming slight later in south.

Showers in far north, otherwise fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North becoming variable 2 or 3, then becoming south or southwest 3 or 4 later.

Slight, occasionally moderate in north.

Fair.

Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northeasterly 4 or 5, but 6 or 7 at first in south.

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

Fair in north, wintry showers in south.

Good, occasionally moderate in south.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 3 or 4 becoming variable 2 or 3.

Slight, occasionally moderate at first.

Fair.

Good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first in Strait of Dover, decreasing 4 at times in west.

Moderate or rough at first in east, otherwise slight or moderate.

Wintry showers, mainly at first.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 4 or 5 veering easterly or southeasterly 3 or 4.

Slight, occasionally moderate at first.

Wintry showers at first in east, otherwise fair.

Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or sleet at first in east, fair in west.

Good, occasionally moderate at first in east.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 3 or 4 becoming variable 2, then becoming southeast 3 or 4 later.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Moderate, occasionally rough at first near headlands, becoming slight later.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly becoming variable 2 or 3, then becoming southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later in west.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate later in west.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, becoming variable 2 or 3 later.

Slight or moderate becoming smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 2 or 3 becoming southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later in west.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate later.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first in south, becoming variable 2 or 3 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight later.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 2 or 3 becoming southeast 3 or 4, then increasing 5 or 6 later near pembrokeshire.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate later near pembrokeshire.

Fair.

Good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first, becoming variable 2 or 3 later.

Slight or moderate at first in south, otherwise smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

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

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first, becoming variable 2 or 3 later.

Slight or moderate becoming smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 2 or 3 becoming south 3 or 4, then backing southeast 4 or 5 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate later.

Fair.

Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first in east, becoming variable 2 or 3.

Slight or moderate at first in east, otherwise smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 2 or 3 becoming south 3 or 4, then backing southeast 4 or 5 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate later.

Fair.

Good.

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

#### Channel

##### 24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first in south, becoming variable 2, then becoming southwest 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate at first in south, otherwise smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

##### Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 3 or 4, backing southeast 4 or 5 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate later in North Channel.

Fair.

Good.

#### Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point

##### 24 hour forecast:

Variable, becoming southwest later, 2 or 3, increasing 4 at times.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

##### Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 2 or 3 backing southeast 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate later.

Mainly fair.

Good.

#### The Minch

##### 24 hour forecast:

Variable 2 or 3, increasing 4 at times.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate later in north.

Showers, rain later in north.

Good, occasionally moderate later in north.

##### Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4 becoming southeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Smooth or slight at first south of skye, otherwise slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

#### Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath

##### 24 hour forecast:

Variable 2 or 3, increasing 4 at times.

Slight, becoming moderate in north.

Showers, rain later in north.

Good, occasionally moderate later in north.

##### Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4 becoming southeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

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

Valid Friday 05 Apr 2013 at 1200 UTC until Saturday 06 Apr 2013 at 0000 UTC

#### Shetland Isles

##### General Situation

A developing low to the north of Shetland moves east to Scandinavia as a weather front moves south over Shetland to bring a stronger northwesterly flow.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil.

West 4, veering northwest 5 or 6.  
Moderate, becoming rough in the north.  
Wintry showers.  
Mainly good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0000 UTC on Saturday 06 Apr until 1200 UTC on Saturday 06 Apr:  
Northwesterly 5 or 6, occasionally 4 in the south.  
Moderate or rough.  
Isolated snow showers.  
Mainly good.

Channel Islands - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
North or northeast 6 or 7, with gusts to 45kt, decreasing 5 or 6 after midnight and mainly 4 by midday Saturday.  
Moderate or rather rough in the south, rather rough or rough in the north, moderating after midnight.  
Rain or sleet, persistent at times, clearing around midnight.  
Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Northeast mainly 4, veering east late afternoon and decreasing 2 to 4, further veering south or southeast by Sunday morning.  
Moderate, becoming slight.  
Fair.  
Good.

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