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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1200 UTC Thursday 04 April to 1200 UTC Friday 05 April 2013

General Situation

An unseasonably cold northeasterly flow will be maintained between high pressure to the northwest of the United Kingdom and low pressure over the near Continent. The wind will always remain strongest across the south.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

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

Smooth or slight.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3, becoming northeasterly 3 or 4 in north later.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate in north.

Wintry showers.

Mainly good.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast 4 or 5.

Slight, becoming moderate in south.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 4 or 5, backing west or northwest 2 or 3.

Slight, occasionally moderate in south.

Showers.

Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 4 or 5.

Moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 4 or 5, backing northerly 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 5 or 6.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in south.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 4 or 5, backing north 3 or 4.

Moderate.

Fair.

Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 5 to 7, decreasing 4 in north later.

Moderate or rough.

Wintry showers in south.

Good, occasionally moderate in south.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8 in east.

Moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in east at first.

Moderate or rough.

Wintry showers in east.

Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 around headlands.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 around headlands at first.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Wintry showers at first.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8 around headlands.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8 around headlands at first, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate in east, moderate or rough in west.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in southwest at first.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 5 or 6.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west, decreasing 3 later.

Slight, occasionally moderate at first.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Slight, occasionally moderate at first.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in south at first, becoming variable 3 later.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in south at first.

Fair.

Good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first and later.

Mainly slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

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

Slight, becoming smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in southeast, becoming variable 3 later in north.

Slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northeasterly, 3 or 4 in south at first, otherwise variable 3 or less.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northerly or northeasterly 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point
24 hour forecast:
North or northeast 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 3 or less.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good.

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24 hour forecast:
North or northeast 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less.
Smooth or slight.
Showers in far north.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 3 or less, becoming northeasterly 3 or 4 in north later.
Smooth or slight, becoming moderate in north later.
Showers in north.
Good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath
24 hour forecast:
North or northeast 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less.
Slight.
Showers in far north.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 3 or less, becoming northeasterly 3 or 4 in north later.
Slight, becoming moderate in north.
Showers in north.
Good.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Thursday 04 Apr 2013 at 1200 UTC until Friday 05 Apr 2013 at 0000 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A ridge of high pressure extending south across Shetland waters will decline during Thursday night, as a shallow depression tracks east across the Faeroes.

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

Northeast 3 or 4, easing 2 or 3 in the northwest of the area.
Slight or moderate.
Isolated showers.
Mainly good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0000 UTC on Friday 05 Apr until 1200 UTC on Friday 05 Apr:

Northeast 3 or 4, becoming locally variable 2 or 3 for a time in the west, then backing west or southwest, 3 or 4 in the south but 4 or 5 occasionally 6 in the north.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair, occasional rain in north and west later.

Mainly good.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 5 to 6 in the south of the area, 6 to 7 with gusts to 45kt in the north.

Moderate to rather rough in the south, rather rough to rough in the north.

Scattered wintry showers dying out occasional rain or sleet later tonight, becoming persistent at times in the morning.

Moderate to good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 6 to 7 with gusts to 45kt decreasing 5 to 6 in the evening then 4 to 5 by dawn, backing northerly 3 to 4 Saturday morning.

Rather rough to rough becoming slight to moderate.

Rain or sleet dying out later on Friday.

Moderate to poor in rain or sleet, becoming good.

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