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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1200 UTC Wednesday 04 May to 1200 UTC Thursday 05 May 2011

General Situation

Pressure will remain high over the North Sea during the next day or two but Atlantic fronts will gradually push eastwards across western and northern parts of the United Kingdom.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

East or southeast 4 or 5, occasionally 3 at first.

Slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly or southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north.

Slight, occasionally moderate.

Fair, then rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

East or southeast 4 or 5, occasionally 3 at first.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast 4 or 5, decreasing 3 for a time.

Slight, occasionally moderate.

Fair, then rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

South or southeast 4 or 5, occasionally 3 at first.

Slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 4 or 5, occasionally 3 later.

Slight.

Rain or showers later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

East or southeast 3 or less increasing 4 or 5.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 4 or 5, occasionally 3 later.

Slight.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Easterly 3 or 4 veering southeasterly 4 or 5.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.

Slight.

Fair.

Good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Easterly or northeasterly veering southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first in east, becoming variable 3 or less later.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less, becoming easterly 4 for a time.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

East 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first near headlands, veering southeast 3 or 4 later.

Slight, occasionally moderate.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 3 or 4, backing east or southeast 4 or 5 for a time.

Mainly slight.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Easterly or southeasterly 4 or 5 veering southerly or southeasterly 3 or 4, but increasing 5 or 6 in west later.

Slight in east, moderate in west.

Showers in west later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southeasterly 3 or 4, but 5 or 6 at first in west.

Slight in east, moderate in west.

Showers, mainly in west.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor in west.

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

24 hour forecast:

Easterly or southeasterly veering southerly or southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west, decreasing 3 at times in east.

Slight or moderate in west, smooth or slight in east.

Showers in west later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 3 in east.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain or showers, mainly in west.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor in west.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southerly or southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 3 in north, increasing 6 at times later.
Slight or moderate.
Showers later.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
South or southeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.
Slight or moderate.
Rain or showers, occasionally thundery.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southeast 4 or 5, occasionally 3 at first, increasing 6 at times later.
Slight, occasionally moderate later.
Rain or showers later.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
South or southeast 4 or 5.
Slight, occasionally moderate in west.
Rain or showers, occasionally thundery.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Isle of Man - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southeast, veering south later, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Mostly moderate.
Occasional rain.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southeast 5 or 6, occasionally 4 at first.
Slight or moderate.
Fair, then rain or thundery showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
South or southeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.
Slight or moderate.
Rain or showers, occasionally thundery.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southerly or southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in North Channel, decreasing 3 at times in Firth of Clyde.
Slight, occasionally moderate in North Channel.

Rain or showers later.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southerly or southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in North Channel, decreasing 3 at times in Firth of Clyde.
Slight, occasionally moderate in North Channel.
Rain or showers, occasionally thundery.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southeast 4 or 5 increasing 5 or 6.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate near islay and Tiree.
Rain or showers later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west.
Slight, occasionally moderate near islay and Tiree.
Rain or showers, occasionally thundery.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Variable becoming mainly easterly 3 or 4, but becoming southeasterly 5 or 6 in south.
Smooth or slight.
Showers later.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southeasterly 5 or 6 at first in south, otherwise mainly easterly or southeasterly 4 or 5, decreasing 3 at times.
Slight, becoming moderate to south and west of skye.
Rain or showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Variable becoming mainly easterly 3 or 4, but becoming southeasterly 5 or 6 in south.
Slight, becoming moderate in west.
Showers later.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southeasterly 5 or 6 at first in south, otherwise mainly easterly or southeasterly 4 or 5, decreasing 3 at times.
Slight or moderate.
Rain or showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Wednesday 04 May 2011 at 1200 UTC until Thursday 05 May 2011 at 0000 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation
A ridge of high pressure continues to extend south across Shetland waters.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil

Variable 2 or 3, becoming southeasterly 4 in southwest later.
Mainly slight.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0000 UTC on Thursday 05 May until 1200 UTC on Thursday 05 May:
Southeasterly 4 or 5, but variable 2 or 3 in north and east at first.
Mainly slight.
Fair.
Good.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

East to southeast 2 to 4, locally 5 in the far north this afternoon, veering southeast to south overnight.
Slight, locally moderate in the north this afternoon.
Fair mist patches near coasts around dawn.
Good, locally moderate to poor around dawn.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South to southeast 2 to 4, backing southeast to east for a time Thursday afternoon.
Slight with a low swell.
Scattered thundery showers by Friday afternoon.
Good becoming locally moderate to poor later.

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