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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1200 UTC Monday 03 December to 1200 UTC Tuesday 04 December 2012

General Situation

A stationary weather front over northeast Scotland will move slowly southwest across Scotland during Tuesday as a complex area of low pressure moves southeastwards across England and Wales with a cold northerly airflow spreading to all parts by midday Wednesday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable 4 in Moray Firth, otherwise southeasterly backing easterly 5 to 7, then backing northerly later 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate at first in east, otherwise moderate or rough.

Rain or sleet, then sleet or snow showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 for a time.

Moderate or rough.

Snow showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic, mainly easterly in north and westerly or northwesterly in south, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or sleet, then sleet or snow showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northeast, backing north or northwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 5 to 7, veering east or northeast 4 or 5.

Moderate.

Mainly fair, wintry showers later.

Good, occasionally moderate or poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 4 or 5, backing northwest 5 to 7.

Moderate, becoming rough for a time.

Showers, becoming wintry.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 5 to 7, veering northwest later, 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Fair, wintry showers later.

Good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough for a time.

Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly, veering northwesterly later, 5 to 7.
Slight or moderate.
Mainly fair, then showers.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwesterly 5 to 7, veering northerly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.
Slight or moderate, becoming rough for a time in the north.
Showers, occasionally wintry later.
Good, occasionally moderate.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly 5 to 7.
Slight, becoming moderate or rough.
Mainly fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly 5 to 7, veering northerly 5 or 6.
Moderate or rough.
Showers.
Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West veering northwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7 around headlands.
Moderate or rough.
Showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest veering north, 5 or 6.
Moderate or rough.
Showers.
Good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or northwest 5 to 7.
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough in west later.
Rain for a time, then squally showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in west.
Moderate or rough in east, very rough or high in west.
Squally showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West veering northwest, 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in west later.
Rain for a time in southwest, otherwise squally showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest veering north 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 at times.

Moderate or rough, becoming rough or very rough.
Squally showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough.

Squally showers, occasionally thundery.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly veering northerly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in south at first.

Moderate or rough.

Squally showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest, 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough.

Showers, occasionally thundery.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest becoming cyclonic, then north or northeast, 5 to 7, decreasing 4 for a time.

Moderate, occasionally rough, becoming slight later in north.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7.

Moderate, occasionally rough.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 5 or 6, becoming cyclonic 4 or 5.

Moderate, becoming slight or moderate.

Squally showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 5 to 7.

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

Showers, occasionally thundery.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West veering north or northeast, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Slight or moderate in east, moderate or rough in north, but very rough for a time in far north.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 5 to 7, becoming cyclonic 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in north.

Showers, occasionally squally and thundery.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Cyclonic 4 or 5, becoming north 5 or 6.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in north.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 5 to 7, becoming cyclonic 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming rough or very rough.

Showers, occasionally thundery.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Cyclonic 4 or 5, becoming north 5 or 6.

Rough or very rough, becoming high for a time in west.

Showers, wintry later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or northwesterly veering northeasterly, 4 or 5, occasionally 6, decreasing 3 for a time.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far north and far south.

Rain or showers, wintry later in north.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast backing north 5 or 6, increasing 7 at times.

Moderate, but rough in far north and far south, occasionally very rough for a time in far south.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic, mainly westerly in south and easterly in far north 5 or 6, becoming northeasterly later.

Rough or very rough.

Rain or showers, wintry later in north.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast backing north 5 or 6, increasing 7 at times.

Very rough, becoming high for a time in south.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

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

Valid Monday 03 Dec 2012 at 1200 UTC until Tuesday 04 Dec 2012 at 0000 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Frontal trough is slow moving far north Scotland until Tuesday when it heads south and showery troughs approach Shetland from north.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Southeast gale 8.

East 5 or 6, occasionally 4 later.

Moderate or rough.

Mainly fair, occasional rain or showers in the south at first.

Mainly good, occasional moderate in rain.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0000 UTC on Tuesday 04 Dec until 1200 UTC on Tuesday 04 Dec:

East or northeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first in west backing north 5, but decreasing 3 or 4 for a time.

Moderate or rough.

Mainly fair soon sleet or snow showers spreading south.

Good, becoming moderate at times occasionally poor in snow showers.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West to northwest 4 to 5, perhaps locally 6 at first, decreasing 2 to 4 and backing west to southwest in the afternoon, then west to northwest 4 to 5, occasionally 6, in the evening, then northwest 5 to 6 by morning with gusts to 40 knots.

Moderate to rather rough becoming rough.

Occasional rain and drizzle, persistent for a time from later this afternoon clearing in the evening to squally rain or hail showers with a risk of thunder.

Moderate to good, locally poor in rain, drizzle or showers.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 6, locally 7 overnight with gusts to 40 knots.

Rough, locally very rough for a time.

Squally rain or hail showers with a risk of thunder.

Good, locally moderate to poor in showers.

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