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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore  
for the period 0000 UTC Saturday 03 February to 0000 UTC Sunday 04 February  
2018

#### General Situation

A weakening occlusion will move eastwards into the United Kingdom and stall across northern and western areas. Thereafter, pressure will build strongly over Scandinavia linking southwestwards with high pressure near the Azores with a cold northeasterly airflow developing across southern areas.

#### Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4 at first in east, otherwise southerly becoming cyclonic 4 or 5.  
Slight or moderate, becoming rough in north.  
Fair then occasional rain.  
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Cyclonic 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4, then southwesterly 5 or 6 later.  
Slight or moderate in east, moderate or rough in north.  
Showers.  
Mainly good.

#### Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

Variable, mainly southeast later, 3 or 4.  
Slight or moderate.  
Fair then occasional rain.  
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable, mainly southeast veering south later, 3 or 4.  
Slight or moderate.  
Showers at first.  
Good.

#### Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

West becoming variable 3 or 4, becoming east 4 or 5 later.  
Moderate.  
Fair then occasional rain.  
Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or northeast 4 or 5.  
Moderate.  
Mainly fair.  
Good.

#### Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West becoming variable 3 or 4, then northeast 5 or 6 later.  
Moderate, occasionally slight.  
Showers.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 5 or 6.  
Moderate, occasionally rough later in south.  
Showers, becoming wintry.

Mainly good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly veering northeasterly 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 later.

Smooth or slight in south, otherwise slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough.

Showers, becoming wintry.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly becoming variable 3 or 4, then northeasterly 5 or 6 later.

Smooth or slight becoming slight or moderate later.

Fair then occasional rain.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in east.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough in east.

Showers, becoming wintry.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later in east.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 3 or 4, becoming cyclonic, then northerly or northeasterly later, 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in west.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate later.

Fair then occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate.

Showers at first.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

West 4 or 5, becoming cyclonic, then north 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.

Smooth or slight at first east of the Lizard, otherwise slight or moderate, becoming rough or very rough in far west.

Occasional rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North veering northeast 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.

Slight or moderate, but rough, occasionally very rough in west.

Showers at first.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest backing south 4 or 5, then veering north or northwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.

Slight or moderate, becoming rough or very rough in west.

Occasional rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North veering northeast 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first.

Slight at times in east, otherwise moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first in southwest.

Showers at first.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest backing south 4 or 5, then veering north or northwest 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 5 to 7 veering northeast 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Showers at first.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 4 or 5, veering northwesterly, then northerly later 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in west.

Smooth or slight becoming slight or moderate in west and south.

Occasional rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly 5 or 6, veering easterly 4 or 5.

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

Showers at first.

Good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 3 or 4, veering northerly or northwesterly, then northeasterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 for a time in west.

Slight becoming mainly moderate.

Rain at first.

Moderate, occasionally poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 5 or 6, veering easterly or southeasterly 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, becoming slight.

Fair.

Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 3 or 4, veering northwesterly, then northerly later, 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in North Channel.

Smooth or slight at first in east, otherwise slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in north.

Rain then showers.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly 5 or 6, becoming variable, mainly southeasterly later, 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight in east, moderate or rough in north.

Showers at first.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 3 or 4, veering northwesterly, then northerly later, 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in North Channel.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate, occasionally rough in North Channel.

Rain then showers.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly 5 or 6, becoming variable, mainly southeasterly later, 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight in south.

Showers at first.

Good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic 4 or 5, becoming northwest 5 or 6, then veering north later.

Slight or moderate, becoming rough or very rough later.

Rain then showers.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North veering south later, 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time.

Rough or very rough becoming moderate or rough.

Showers at first.

Good.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South veering northwest, then north later, 5 or 6.

Smooth or slight in shelter, otherwise slight or moderate, becoming rough or very rough in far north and in far south.

Occasional rain then showers.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4, then southwest 5 or 6 later.

Rough in far north and in far south, otherwise slight or moderate, becoming smooth for a time in central areas.

Showers at first.

Good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South veering northwest, then north later, 5 or 6.

Moderate or rough, becoming rough or very rough.

Occasional rain then showers.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4, then southwest 5 or 6 later.

Rough or very rough, becoming moderate or rough.

Showers at first.

Good.

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

Valid Saturday 03 Feb 2018 at 0000 UTC until Saturday 03 Feb 2018 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

#### General Situation

A weak ridge of high pressure across Shetland will decline as an Atlantic front approaches from the west.

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

East veering southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 3 in the southwest

Moderate

Fair

Good

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Saturday 03 Feb until 0000 UTC on Sunday 04 Feb:

Southeasterly 4 or 5, veering south or southwesterly 3 in the west

Moderate or rough

Showers

Moderate or good

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest to north 4 to 5, decreasing 2 to 4 this evening, backing southwest to south by morning, locally northwest to north 5 to 7 in the west of the area by noon, perhaps locally gale 8, and variable 2 to 4 in the east.

Slight to moderate, decreasing slight overnight, then rather rough to rough in the west by evening.

Risk of a shower at first this evening rain spreading in from the west by morning.

Good or very good, occasionally moderate to poor in rain.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North to northeast 5 to 6, perhaps 7, locally easterly 3 to 4 in the east and south of the area, becoming generally northeast 4 to 6 by midnight, increasing 5 to 6 overnight, occasionally 7.

Rather rough to rough, locally slight to moderate in the east at first.

Occasional rain, turning to fair periods and showers around midnight.

Moderate to poor in rain, becoming good, except in showers.

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