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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore  
for the period 0600 UTC Tuesday 05 January to 0600 UTC Wednesday 06 January 2021

#### General Situation

An area of high pressure just to the north of Scotland and low pressure in southern biscoy will bring an easterly or northeasterly flow to much of the British Isles. Winds will be strong in many southern areas.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

Variable 2 to 4.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 2 to 4, becoming west or southwest 3 to 5, veering north 4 to 6 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later in north.

Showers.

Good.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

East or northeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, becoming variable 2 to 4 later.

Moderate, occasionally slight in Firth of Forth.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 2 to 4, becoming west 4 to 6 later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 4 to 6.

Moderate, occasionally rough until later.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 4 to 6, backing north or northwest 4 or 5 later.

Moderate, occasionally slight later in far north.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

East or northeast 5 or 6, occasionally 7 until later.

Moderate, occasionally rough.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northeast 4 to 6, backing northwest 3 to 5 later.  
Moderate.  
Showers.  
Good, occasionally moderate.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Easterly or northeasterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 until later in north.  
Moderate, occasionally rough.  
Occasional rain or showers.  
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Easterly or northeasterly backing northerly or northwesterly later, 4 to 6.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in north.  
Occasional rain or showers.  
Moderate or good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Easterly or northeasterly 4 to 6.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first.  
Occasional rain or showers.  
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Easterly or northeasterly 4 to 6, backing northerly 4 or 5 later.  
Slight or moderate.  
Occasional rain or showers.  
Moderate or good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
North or northeast 4 to 6.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough offshore.  
Occasional rain or showers, mainly in east.  
Good, occasionally moderate in east.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
North or northeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.  
Slight or moderate.  
Occasional rain or showers, mainly in east.  
Good, occasionally moderate in east.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
North or northeast 4 to 6, increasing 7 for a time.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first.  
Showers.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
North or northeast 4 to 6, decreasing 3 or 4 later.  
Slight or moderate.  
Showers.  
Good.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:

Northeast 4 to 6, occasionally 7 at first.

Smooth at times in east, otherwise slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first in far southwest.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 4 to 6, becoming variable 2 to 4 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in east.

Showers.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 4 to 6, occasionally 7 in west.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in Cardigan Bay.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 4 to 6, decreasing 3 or 4, then becoming variable 3 or less later.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.

Showers.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 4 to 6.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in north and east.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 4 to 6, becoming variable 2 to 4 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.

Showers.

Good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 4 to 6.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 4 to 6, becoming variable 2 to 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

East or northeast 3 to 5.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or northeast 3 to 5, becoming variable 2 to 4, then west or northwest 4 or 5 later.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in south.  
Showers.  
Good.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel  
24 hour forecast:  
Northeasterly 3 to 5.  
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate at first near Mull of Galloway.  
Fair.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Northeasterly 4 or 5, becoming variable 2 to 4, then northerly or northwesterly 4 to 6 later.  
Smooth or slight.  
Fair.  
Good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point  
24 hour forecast:  
Easterly or northeasterly 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less later.  
Slight or moderate, but mainly smooth in shelter.  
Fair.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Variable 3 or less, becoming southwest 3 to 5, veering north 4 to 6 later.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in shelter.  
Fair.  
Good.

The Minch  
24 hour forecast:  
Variable, mainly northeast, 2 to 4, becoming southwest 3 to 5 later.  
Smooth or slight.  
Fair.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
South or southwest, veering north or northwest later, 4 to 6.  
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in far north later.  
Rain later.  
Good, becoming moderate later.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath  
24 hour forecast:  
Variable, mainly northeast, 2 to 4, becoming southwest 3 to 5 later.  
Moderate, occasionally slight.  
Fair.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
South or southwest, veering north or northwest later, 4 to 6.  
Moderate, occasionally slight, becoming rough later in north.  
Rain later.  
Good, becoming moderate later.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland  
Valid Tuesday 05 Jan 2021 at 0600 UTC until Tuesday 05 Jan 2021 at 1800 UTC

## Shetland Isles

### General Situation

An area of high pressure will cover Shetland and surrounding waters.

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

Variable 2 to 4

Moderate, but slight east of Shetland.

Mainly fair

Good

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1800 UTC on Tuesday 05 Jan until 0600 UTC on Wednesday 06 Jan:

West or southwest 2 to 4, increasing 5 in northwest later.

Moderate, but slight east of Shetland.

Mainly fair

Good

### Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeast to east 3 to 5 in the southeast of the area, and 5 to 7 in the northwest of the area, perhaps occasionally gale 8 mid-channel until midday, becoming easterly or variable 2 to 4 guernsey southeastwards later.

Slight to moderate in the southeast of the area, rather rough to rough in the northwest.

Rain or showers, locally heavy, with sleet at times risk of mist patches near french coasts until mid-morning and again later.

Good, occasionally moderate, locally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly or variable 2 to 4 on the southeast of the area, northeasterly 4 to 6 in the northwest of the area, occasionally 7 mid-channel until midday, becoming generally northeast 2 to 4 overnight.

Smooth to slight in the southeast of the area, moderate to rather rough in the northwest, becoming generally smooth or slight by midday, occasionally moderate mid-channel.

Rain or showers, locally heavy, with sleet at times risk of mist patches near french coasts until mid-morning.

Good, occasionally moderate, locally poor.

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