

AND NOW THE SHIPPING FORECAST ISSUED BY THE MET OFFICE, ON BEHALF OF THE MARITIME AND COASTGUARD AGENCY, AT 0015 ON WEDNESDAY 03 MARCH 2010

THERE ARE WARNINGS OF GALES IN SOUTH UTSIRE FISHER TRAFALGAR BAILEY AND SOUTHEAST ICELAND

THE GENERAL SYNOPSIS AT 1800

HIGH EASTERN ENGLAND 1026 EXPECTED FAIR ISLE 1024 BY 1800 WEDNESDAY.
LOW 100 MILES WEST OF TRAFALGAR 986 EXPECTED PORTUGAL 1003 BY SAME TIME. LOW JUST WEST OF ROCKALL 1011 SLOW MOVING AND LOSING ITS IDENTITY BY THAT TIME

THE AREA FORECASTS FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS

VIKING NORTH UTSIRE SOUTH UTSIRE FORTIES
NORTHWESTERLY 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8 AT FIRST IN SOUTH UTSIRE, VEERING NORTHERLY 5 OR 6. ROUGH OCCASIONALLY MODERATE LATER. SQUALLY WINTRY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

CROMARTY FORTH TYNE DOGGER
VARIABLE 3 OR 4, BUT NORTHWEST 4 OR 5 AT FIRST IN DOGGER. MODERATE OR ROUGH. SHOWERS THEN FAIR. MODERATE OR GOOD

FISHER
NORTHWEST 6 TO GALE 8, VEERING NORTH 5 OR 6. MODERATE OR ROUGH. SQUALLY WINTRY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

GERMAN BIGHT
NORTHWEST 4 OR 5, INCREASING 6 AT TIMES. MODERATE OR ROUGH. WINTRY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

HUMBER THAMES
VARIABLE BECOMING NORTHEAST 3 OR 4, INCREASING 5 OR 6 IN THAMES. SLIGHT OR MODERATE. FAIR. GOOD

DOVER WIGHT PORTLAND PLYMOUTH
EAST OR NORTHEAST 5 TO 7. SLIGHT OR MODERATE OCCASIONALLY ROUGH. FAIR. MODERATE OR GOOD

BISCAY
EAST 5 TO 7, BACKING NORTH 3 OR 4. MODERATE OR ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY SLIGHT LATER. OCCASIONAL RAIN IN SOUTH. MODERATE OR GOOD

TRAFALGAR
SOUTHWESTERLY VEERING WESTERLY, BUT CYCLONIC FOR A TIME IN NORTH, 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9, DECREASING 5 OR 6. VERY ROUGH OR HIGH. RAIN OR SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OCCASIONALLY POOR

FITZROY
NORTHEAST 5 TO 7. MODERATE OR ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY VERY ROUGH AT FIRST IN SOUTH. SHOWERS, RAIN FOR A TIME IN SOUTH. MODERATE OR GOOD

WEST SOLE
VARIABLE BECOMING NORTHERLY 3 OR 4, INCREASING 5 OR 6. MODERATE BECOMING ROUGH. SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

EAST SOLE LUNDY FASTNET IRISH SEA
SOUTHEASTERLY 5 OR 6, BACKING EASTERLY OR NORTHEASTERLY 4 OR 5. SLIGHT OR MODERATE, OCCASIONALLY ROUGH IN SOLE. FAIR. GOOD

SHANNON ROCKALL
SOUTH VEERING NORTH 5 OR 6, INCREASING 7 AT TIMES. ROUGH. RAIN THEN SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

MALIN HEBRIDES

SOUTH OR SOUTHEAST 5 OR 6, OCCASIONALLY 4 LATER, VEERING NORTHWEST
LATER. MODERATE OR ROUGH. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

BAILEY

SOUTHEAST 6 TO GALE 8, VEERING WEST OR NORTHWEST 5 OR 6. ROUGH
OCCASIONALLY VERY ROUGH LATER. OCCASIONAL RAIN THEN SHOWERS. MODERATE
OR GOOD

FAIR ISLE

NORTHWEST VEERING SOUTHEAST 4 OR 5, OCCASIONALLY 6 AT FIRST. MODERATE
OR ROUGH. WINTRY SHOWERS THEN FAIR. MODERATE OR GOOD

FAEROES SOUTHEAST ICELAND

SOUTHEASTERLY VEERING SOUTHERLY OR SOUTHWESTERLY 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY
GALE 8 IN SOUTHEAST ICELAND. MODERATE OR ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY VERY
ROUGH LATER IN SOUTHEAST ICELAND. RAIN OR SHOWERS, OCCASIONALLY
WINTRY. MODERATE OR GOOD