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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0000 UTC Thursday 04 February to 0000 UTC Friday 05 February
2016

General Situation

A milder but moist southwesterly airstream will continue to spread from the west through Thursday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming southerly or southeasterly 5 to 7 later.

Moderate or rough in northwest, slight or moderate in east.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first near Cape Wrath, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time in east.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in northwest, slight or moderate in east.

Rain at times, wintry showers later.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly, backing southerly for a time, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times in south.

Slight or moderate.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 for a time.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in northeast.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Moderate.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8 for a time.

Moderate.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate or poor, becoming good later.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 or 5, veering west 6 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or drizzle at times.
Moderate or poor.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 for a time.
Slight or moderate.
Rain at times.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8.
Slight or moderate, becoming rough later offshore.
Rain or drizzle at times.
Moderate or poor.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly or southwesterly 5 or 6, decreasing 4 at times.
Slight or moderate.
Rain or drizzle at times.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly 4 or 5, backing southwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 later in east.
Slight or moderate, becoming rough later.
Rain or drizzle at times.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or southwest 5 or 6, decreasing 4 at times later.
Slight or moderate.
Rain or drizzle at times.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8.
Slight or moderate, becoming rough later.
Rain or drizzle at times.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or southwest 5 or 6, decreasing 4 at times.
Rough at first in far west, otherwise slight or moderate.
Rain at times.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8 for a time.
Slight or moderate, becoming rough or very rough.
Rain at times.
Moderate or good.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times later.
Moderate or rough, occasionally slight.
Rain or drizzle at times.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8 for a time.
Slight or moderate, becoming rough or very rough.
Rain or drizzle at times.
Moderate or poor, occasionally good.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times later.
Slight or moderate.
Rain or drizzle at times.
Moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 5 or 6, increasing 7 to severe gale 9 for a time.
Slight or moderate, becoming rough or very rough for a time.
Rain or drizzle at times.
Moderate or poor, becoming good later.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times.
Slight or moderate.
Rain or drizzle at times.
Moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest, veering west later, 4 or 5, increasing 7 to severe gale 9 for a time.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough.
Rain or drizzle at times.
Moderate or poor, becoming good later.

Isle of Man - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough.
Rain at times, becoming fair later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
South or southwest, veering west for a time later, 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8 for a time.
Slight or moderate, becoming rough for a time.
Rain for a time later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first in north.
Rain or drizzle at times.
Moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southerly or southwesterly, veering westerly for a time later, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in southeast, decreasing 4 for a time.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough.
Rain or drizzle at times.
Moderate or poor, becoming good later.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times.
Slight or moderate.

Rain or drizzle at times.
Moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southerly or southwesterly, veering westerly for a time later, 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 for a time, then decreasing 4 for a time later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough.
Rain or drizzle at times.
Moderate or poor, becoming good later.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time.
Moderate or rough.
Rain or drizzle at times.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest, veering west for a time, 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 at first, decreasing 4 for a time.
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough in west.
Rain or drizzle, showers later.
Moderate or poor, becoming good.

The Minch - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times.
Moderate or rough, occasionally slight.
Rain or drizzle at times.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
South or southwest, veering west for a time, 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 at first, decreasing 5 at times.
Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.
Rain or drizzle at times, showers later.
Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times.
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough later in far west.
Rain or drizzle at times.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
South or southwest, veering west for a time, 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 at first, decreasing 5 at times.
Rough or very rough.
Rain or drizzle at times, showers later.
Moderate or poor, becoming good.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Thursday 04 Feb 2016 at 0000 UTC until Thursday 04 Feb 2016 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A weak ridge of high pressure covers Shetland waters for much of the day, before a deep Atlantic low pushes a frontal trough northeast towards Shetland Thursday evening.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil.

Northwest 4, becoming variable 3 later.

Rough.

Mainly fair, isolated wintry showers.

Mainly good, occasionally poor in showers.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Thursday 04 Feb until 0000 UTC on Friday 05 Feb:

Variable 3, becoming southeast 4 soon, increasing 6 or 7 later.

Mainly rough, occasionally moderate in the south.

Mainly fair, occasional rain later.

Good, becoming moderate in rain later.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West to southwest 5 to 6 with gusts to 35kt, decreasing 4 to 5 by midday, perhaps locally 6 at times until evening.

Rather rough to rough, locally moderate in the south, decreasing mainly moderate in the afternoon.

Occasional rain and drizzle.

Moderate to poor, locally good at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest to south 4 to 5, increasing 5 to 6 during the morning, locally 7 in the north by Friday evening.

Slight to moderate, increasing moderate in the south to rough in the north by mid afternoon, with a low swell.

A little patchy rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate to poor, perhaps occasionally good.

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