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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1200 UTC Saturday 03 February to 1200 UTC Sunday 04 February
2018

General Situation

A brisk northerly flow will be maintained in the west today, between high pressure in the Atlantic and a developing low in northern France, although the flow relatively slack elsewhere. Pressure is then expected to build across the British Isles on Sunday, while bringing a cold and brisk northeasterly flow to southern parts.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, but moderate or rough in far northwest.

Occasional rain, showers later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming south 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Slight or moderate, but moderate or rough in far northwest.

Showers at first.

Good.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain, showers later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming south 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Variable 2 or 3, becoming northeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in south.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain, showers later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 4 or 5, becoming variable 2 or 3.

Moderate, becoming slight later.

Wintry showers.

Mainly good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable 2 or 3, becoming northeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain, wintry showers later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Moderate, becoming slight later.

Wintry showers.
Mainly good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 3 or 4, veering northeasterly 5 or 6.
Slight, becoming moderate in north and later in south.
Occasional rain, wintry showers later.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first, decreasing 3 or 4 later in north.
Moderate, occasionally rough in east.
Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable 2 or 3, becoming northerly 4 or 5, then veering northeasterly 5 to 7 later.
Smooth or slight, becoming moderate later.
Occasional rain, showers later.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 5 to 7.
Moderate, becoming rough for a time in Strait of Dover.
Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic 4 or 5, becoming northeast 5 or 6.
Smooth at first in east, otherwise slight or moderate.
Occasional rain, fair later.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first.
Slight or moderate.
Wintry showers later.
Mainly good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly veering northerly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 to the west of Lizard Point, veering northeasterly later.
Slight or moderate, but rough or very rough west of Lizard Point.
Showers, fair later.
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in far west.
Fair.
Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly veering northerly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first in far west, veering northeasterly 5 or 6 later.
Slight or moderate in east, but moderate or rough in west, occasionally very rough in far southwest.
Showers, fair later.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.

Rough at first in southwest, otherwise slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwest veering north 5 to 7, then veering northeast 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight later.

Showers, fair later.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 4 or 5, veering east 3 or 4.

Slight.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 5 or 6, veering northeast 4 or 5, occasionally 3 later.

Slight, occasionally moderate at first.

Rain or showers, fair later.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast veering southeast 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly veering northerly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first in west, then veering easterly 3 or 4 later.

Moderate, becoming slight later.

Showers at first.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly veering southeasterly 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 5 to 7, veering north 4 or 5, then becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate, but moderate or rough in far north.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming south or southeast 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Showers at first.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in North Channel, veering northerly 4 or 5, then becoming variable 3 or 4 later.
Slight or moderate, but moderate or rough near Mull of Kintyre.
Showers, fair later.
Good occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 3 or 4, becoming southerly or southeasterly 4 or 5.
Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northwest 5 or 6, veering north 4 or 5, then veering northeast 3 or 4 later.
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough for a time in west.
Showers, fair later.
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northeast 3 or 4, veering south 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.
Moderate or rough.
Fair.
Good.

The Minch - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northwest veering north 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.
Moderate or rough.
Showers, fair later.
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 3 or 4, becoming south or southwest 4 or 5, then increasing 6 or 7 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later.
Fair.
Good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northwest veering north 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.
Rough or very rough.
Showers, fair later.
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 3 or 4, becoming south or southwest 4 or 5, then increasing 6 or 7 later.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later.
Fair.
Good.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Saturday 03 Feb 2018 at 1200 UTC until Sunday 04 Feb 2018 at 0000 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation
A weakening Atlantic front edges east across Shetland waters.

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

Southerly or southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in east, becoming variable 2 or 3 in west
Moderate or rough
Showers
Moderate or good

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0000 UTC on Sunday 04 Feb until 1200 UTC on Sunday 04 Feb:
Southerly 4 or 5, but variable 2 or 3 at first in west, veering westerly or southwesterly 3 or 4 later
Rough, but moderate in sheltered eastern waters
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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