

## Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart  
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 06 May 2021 until 23:59 on Friday 07 May 2021

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 05 May 2021 at 16:55 by Met Office Aberdeen

**Confidence:** High for cold and showery on Thursday and Friday. High for unsettled weather to continue over the weekend.

**Headline for Thursday 06 May 2021:** Cold and rather cloudy with wintry showers

### Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 06 May 2021

**Blizzards**  
No Likelihood

**Gales**  
No Likelihood

**Thunderstorms**  
Low Likelihood

**Heavy Snow**  
No Likelihood









**Severe chill effect**  
Medium Likelihood

**Heavy persistent rain**  
No Likelihood

**Storm force winds**  
No Likelihood

**Poor visibility**  
Medium Likelihood

**Strong sunlight**  
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
							
Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Heavy snow showers	Heavy snow showers	Light snow showers	Sunny intervals
Precipitation probability							
00%	70%	60%	30%	40%	40%	30%	20%

### Forecast for Thursday 06 May 2021

**Weather:** Periods of snow in the early hours, occasionally heavy, along with extensive low cloud. Thursday will see some sunny intervals and scattered heavy sleet, snow or hail showers with a small risk of a thunderstorm. Showers easing through the evening.

**Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m:** 50%

**Visibility:** Poor in low cloud down to 500 metres, this extensive in the morning period, some breaks developing by the afternoon. Low cloud combined with snow will lead to reduced visibilities and potential navigational issues.

**Forecast for Thursday 06 May 2021**

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
<b>1000</b>	23/29 NW	33/40 NW	33/41 N	29/37 N	26/34 N	25/33 N	22/30 N	17/22 N	13/17 NW
<b>900</b>	23/29 NW	30/38 NW	31/39 N	28/36 N	25/34 N	24/32 N	22/29 N	16/21 N	12/16 NW
<b>600</b>	15/21 NW	19/27 NW	22/30 N	20/29 N	19/28 N	19/28 N	17/24 N	11/16 N	8/12 NW
<b>300</b>	7/23 NW	7/28 NW	11/33 N	11/31 N	11/29 N	11/29 N	10/25 N	6/18 N	5/13 NW
<b>Glen</b>	8/17 NW	12/26 NW	15/31 N	15/30 N	13/27 N	15/30 N	13/26 N	9/19 N	5/12 N

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
<b>1000</b>	-4/-12	-3/-12	-3/-12	-3/-11	-2/-10	-1/-9	-2/-9	-2/-9	-3/-8
<b>900</b>	-3/-11	-2/-11	-2/-11	-2/-10	-1/-9	-1/-8	-1/-8	-1/-8	-2/-7
<b>600</b>	-1/-7	-1/-7	-0/-7	0/-6	1/-5	2/-4	2/-4	1/-4	0/-4
<b>300</b>	1/-2	0/-3	1/-3	2/-2	3/-1	4/0	4/1	3/0	2/-0
<b>Glen</b>	3/0	3/-1	4/-0	5/1	6/3	7/4	7/4	5/2	5/3
<b>Freezing Level*</b>	400m	400m	500m	600m	700m	700m	700m	700m	600m

\*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

**Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View**

Be prepared for winter conditions at height with some fresh falls of snow.

**Forecast for Friday 07 May 2021**

**Weather:** A dry, bright start but scattered snow and hail showers developing from late morning, some of these briefly heavy. Showers easing away in the evening.

**Maximum wind:** Northerly 25 mph on the higher summits

**Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m:** 70%, best chance in the morning

**Visibility:** Becoming poor for a brief time as showers pass through, cloud base lowering to 700 metres or so in heavier showers. Otherwise cloud mostly 900 metres or higher shrouding some of the highest tops at times.

**Temperature:** **Glens:** Minus 3 rising to 10 Celsius  
**At 800m:** Zero Celsius  
**Freezing level:** 800 metres