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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1800 UTC Tuesday 02 August to 1800 UTC Wednesday 03 August 2016

General Situation

An area of low pressure currently centred over the near Atlantic will track steadily eastwards across the British Isles over the next 48 hours, bringing rain and strong winds to most areas.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Easterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in north, becoming variable 3 or 4 except near Orkney.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later in north.

Rain or showers, fog patches later in north.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor later in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly or northeasterly 5 to 7 at first near Orkney, otherwise variable 3 or 4, becoming northerly 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough in north, slight or moderate in south.

Rain or showers, fog patches at first in north.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

Southeast, veering south or southwest, 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly, veering northwesterly, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later, becoming variable 3 for a time in north.

Slight, occasionally moderate in east.

Occasional rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast, veering southwest, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Moderate, occasionally slight.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 or 6, veering northwest 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 3 or 4, veering southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

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

Slight or moderate.

Showers.
Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in south, and later in north.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain at first.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally 4 later.
Slight or moderate.
Showers.
Good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwesterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in east.
Moderate.
Rain or drizzle and fog patches, becoming mainly fair later.
Moderate, occasionally very poor, becoming mainly good later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally 4 later in west.
Moderate.
Showers.
Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest 5 or 6, decreasing mainly 4 for a time.
Moderate.
Rain or drizzle and fog patches, becoming fair later.
Moderate, occasionally very poor, becoming good later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 5 to 7, occasionally 4 later.
Moderate.
Showers.
Good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwesterly 5 or 6, decreasing mainly 4 for a time, then occasionally 7 later in west.
Moderate or rough, occasionally slight in shelter.
Rain, drizzle and fog patches at first.
Moderate or poor, occasionally very poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 5 to 7, veering west 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first near the Isles of Scilly.
Showers.
Good.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or southwest 5 or 6, increasing 7 later.
Moderate, becoming rough.
Rain, drizzle and fog patches at first, showers later.
Moderate or poor, occasionally very poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 6 or 7, perhaps gale 8 at first, veering west 4 or 5 later.
Rough, becoming moderate later.
Showers.
Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 5 or 6, increasing 7, perhaps gale 8 later.
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later.
Occasional drizzle and fog patches at first, showers later.
Moderate, occasionally very poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 6 or 7, perhaps gale 8 at first, veering west 4 or 5 later.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate later.
Showers.
Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7, perhaps gale 8 later.
Slight, becoming moderate, occasionally rough later.
Drizzle and fog patches at first, then showers.
Moderate, occasionally very poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 6 or 7, perhaps gale 8 at first, veering west 4 or 5, then northwest 5 or 6 later.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate later.
Occasional rain or showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7.
Slight, becoming moderate or rough.
Drizzle and fog patches, then showers.
Moderate or poor, occasionally very poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 6 or 7, veering west 5 or 6, then northwest 4 or 5 later.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.
Showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7.
Slight, becoming moderate.
Rain or showers, fog patches at first.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 6 or 7, veering west 4 or 5, then northwest 5 or 6 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far northwest.
Rain or showers.
Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 later.
Slight, becoming moderate.
Rain or showers, fog patches at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 6 or 7, veering westerly 4 or 5, then northwesterly 5 or 6 later.
Moderate, occasionally slight in Firth of Clyde.

Rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southeast 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times, becoming cyclonic 5 to 7 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming rough later in northwest.

Rain or showers, fog patches at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Cyclonic 5 to 7, becoming northwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Moderate, occasionally rough in north.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

East or southeast 5 or 6, veering south 4 or 5, then backing north later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later in far south.

Rain or showers with fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northeasterly, backing northwesterly for a time in south, 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 for a time.

Mainly slight in central areas, otherwise moderate, occasionally rough.

Rain or showers, fog patches at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

East or southeast 5 or 6, veering south 4 or 5, then backing north later.

Moderate, occasionally rough in west.

Rain or showers with fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northeasterly, backing northwesterly for a time in south, 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 for a time.

Rough, becoming moderate later.

Rain or showers, fog patches at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland

Valid Tuesday 02 Aug 2016 at 1800 UTC until Wednesday 03 Aug 2016 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Trough extends towards Shetland from low over Norwegian Sea moves away on Tuesday morning as a transient ridge of high pressure builds from the southeast. Ridge declines east later, as a low southwest of Scotland extends troughs northeast over the area.

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

Variable 3 or less becoming southeasterly 3 or 4, then backing easterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later on south.
Moderate but slight in southwest.
Isolated showers, rain later in south.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Wednesday 03 Aug until 1800 UTC on Wednesday 03 Aug:

Easterly 4 or 5 occasionally 6 at first on south, backing northeasterly 5 or 6 occasionally 7 later in far southeast.
Moderate, but slight at first in southwest, becoming rough later in southwest.
Occasional rain mainly in south.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor mainly in south.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 to 6, decreasing 4 at times near the brittany coast, veering westerly and decreasing 3 to 4 during Wednesday morning, increasing 4 to 5 in the afternoon, perhaps 6 mid-channel later.
Moderate to rather rough, decreasing slight to moderate for a time late morning.
Periods of rain and drizzle, heavy at times, gradually clearing during Wednesday morning.
Moderate to poor, becoming good Wednesday morning.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest to west 4 to 5, locally 6 guernsey northwards at times, veering west to northwest and decreasing 3 to 5 by late afternoon.
Moderate to rather rough with a low swell.
Isolated showers by midday Thursday.
Good, perhaps moderate in showers.

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