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Ser. No. 3

Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore from 0600 UTC to 0600 UTC

General Situation

Ridge of high pressure persisting across the United Kingdom during Thursday, bringing settled conditions. However, an Atlantic front will move into western areas later on Friday.

From Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

Southerly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in south and in northwest.

Mainly fair, fog patches later in south.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor later in south.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in south and northwest, veering westerly later.

Mainly fair, with fog patches in south.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor in south.

Smooth or slight occasionally moderate in north.

Rattray Head to Berwick on Tweed

24 hour forecast:

South 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.

Mainly fair, fog banks later.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor later.

Smooth or slight.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly 3 or 4, but 5 or 6 at first in north, veering southwesterly later.

Fog banks at first.

Moderate or poor, occasionally very poor at first.

Slight, but moderate in north.

Berwick on Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Variable becoming southerly or southeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in north.

Fair, then fog banks.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Smooth or slight.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southeasterly, veering southwesterly later, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in north.

Fog banks at first.

Moderate becoming good, occasionally very poor at first.

Slight.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Variable, becoming east or southeast 3 or 4.

Fog banks.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Smooth or slight.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or southeast, becoming variable 3 or 4, southwest later.

Fog banks at first.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.
Smooth or slight.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 3 or 4, but 5, occasionally 6 for a time in south.

Fog banks in north.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor in north.

Slight, becoming occasionally moderate in south.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less, then southwest 3 or 4 later.

Fog banks at first in north.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

Slight.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 4 or 5 decreasing 3 or 4, occasionally 6 at first in east.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later in east.

Slight, occasionally moderate at first in east.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less, then southwest 3 or 4 later.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Slight.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or less.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Slight.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less becoming southwest 3 or 4 later.

Fog patches later.

Moderate, occasionally very poor later.

Slight.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 3 or 4 becoming variable 3 or less.

Mainly fair, fog patches later.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor later.

Slight, occasionally moderate in west.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less becoming southerly or southwesterly 4, veering northwesterly 4 or 5 in west later.

Fog patches, rain later.

Moderate or poor, occasionally very poor at first.

Mainly slight, but moderate in west.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

East or northeast 3 or 4, but variable 3 or less at times.

Mainly fair, then fog patches later.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor later.
Slight, occasionally moderate in west.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 3 or less becoming southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5,
veering northwesterly near later.
Fog patches, then rain or drizzle.
Moderate or poor, occasionally very poor at first.
Slight in east, moderate in west.

St Davids Head to Great Ormes Head, including St Georges Channel
24 hour forecast:
Northeast becoming variable 3 or less.
Mainly fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.
Smooth or slight.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 3 or less, becoming south or southwest 3 or 4, occasionally
5 later.
Rain later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.
Slight, but moderate near saint david's head later.

Great Ormes Head to the Mull of Galloway
24 hour forecast:
Variable becoming southeasterly 3 or 4.
Mainly fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.
Smooth or slight.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southeasterly veering southerly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in north,
veering westerly later.
Rain in west later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.
Smooth or slight.

Isle of Man
24 hour forecast:
Southeast 2 or 3, occasionally 4.
Mainly fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.
Smooth or slight.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southeast veering south or southwest 3 or 4.
Mainly fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.
Smooth or slight.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough
24 hour forecast:
Southeast 3 increasing 4 or 5.
Mainly fair, rain or drizzle later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6, veering westerly or
southwesterly 3 or 4 later.
Rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.
Smooth or slight, but moderate in north.

The Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and the North Channel

24 hour forecast:

Southeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at times in North Channel.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Slight, occasionally moderate in North Channel.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 or 6 at first in North Channel, veering westerly 4 or 5 later.

Mainly fair, then rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Slight, occasionally moderate in west.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point

24 hour forecast:

Southeasterly 3 or 4, increasing 5, occasionally 6 later in north.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Moderate, occasionally rough at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast 4 or 5, increasing 5 or 6 for a time, veering westerly 4 or 5 later.

Mainly fair, then rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in west.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath including the Outer Hebrides

24 hour forecast:

Southerly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west.

Mainly fair, rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Moderate or rough, but slight or moderate in The Minch.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly, veering westerly later, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first in west.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Moderate or rough, but slight or moderate in The Minch.

Shetland Isles

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 3 or 4, increasing 4 or 5.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Moderate, but rough in west.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 4 or 5.

Drizzle later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight.

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