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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1800 UTC Thursday 04 August to 1800 UTC Friday 05 August 2011

General Situation

A complex area of low pressure, centred over northern Scotland, will move to southern Norway by Friday evening. A ridge of high pressure will follow across the United Kingdom.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

East or southeast, veering west, 4 or 5, increasing 6 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers, fog patches, fair later.

Moderate, occasionally very poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West, backing east, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate.

Showers later.

Good.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable, becoming west, 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 for a time.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate for a time near Rattray Head.

Rain or showers, fog patches, fair later.

Moderate, occasionally very poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest, backing east or southeast, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Rain or showers later.

Good, becoming moderate, occasionally poor later.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

West, becoming variable later, 3 or 4, increasing 5 for a time.

Smooth or slight.

Rain or showers at first.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable, becoming southeast, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Rain or showers later.

Good, becoming moderate, occasionally poor later.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest, veering west, then becoming variable later, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Thundery rain or showers at first.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming cyclonic 4 or 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Rain or showers later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate at first.

Rain or showers at first in north.

Good, but moderate or poor at first in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming cyclonic 4 or 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Rain or showers for a time later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first, decreasing 3 or 4.

Moderate becoming slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly, becoming cyclonic for a time, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Rain or showers later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight, but moderate for a time.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

West 5, decreasing 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 3 or 4, increasing 5 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth later in lyme bay.

Fair then showers.

Good.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

West 5, veering northwest 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest, backing west or southwest, 3 or 4, increasing 5 later.

Slight or moderate.

Fair then showers.

Good.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel

24 hour forecast:

Southwest, veering northwest, 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Smooth or slight, but moderate for a time.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

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

Smooth or slight.

Fair then showers.

Good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 for a time.

Smooth or slight.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Showers.

Good.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 3 or 4, veering west or northwest 4 or 5 for a time.

Slight.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less.

Smooth or slight.

Showers.

Mainly good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

West 4 or 5, backing south or southeast 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight, but moderate for a time westwards from Rathlin Island.

Showers, thundery at first.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Showers, rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 3 or 4, veering west 4 or 5, then backing south or southeast 3 or 4 later.

Smooth or slight.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.
Showers, rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 for a time, then backing south later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Showers, rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable, becoming southwest later, 3 or 4, but west 5 or 6 for a time.

Smooth or slight.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest, backing east, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Showers.

Good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable, becoming southwest later, 3 or 4, but west 5 or 6 for a time.

Slight, occasionally moderate later.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest, backing east, 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

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

Valid Thursday 04 Aug 2011 at 1800 UTC until Friday 05 Aug 2011 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A complex area of low pressure continues to affect Shetland and UK waters.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil

East or southeast 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Outbreaks of rain, fog patches.

Moderate or poor, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Friday 05 Aug until 1800 UTC on Friday 05 Aug:

East becoming cyclonic 4 or 5, becoming west 5 or 6 later.

Slight or moderate.

Outbreaks of rain, fog patches in north at first.

Moderate or poor, occasionally very poor in north at first, occasionally good in south later.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 4, perhaps locally 5 in the north at first, decreasing 2 or 3 overnight, veering northwest tomorrow.

Moderate becoming slight.

Isolated showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest or variable 1 to 3 becoming west increasing 3 to 4.

Slight.

Isolated showers.

Good.

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