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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0000 UTC Thursday 02 April to 0000 UTC Friday 03 April 2020

General Situation

A deep low moving southeastwards between Shetland and Norway on Thursday will bring gales to northern waters for a time, with storm force winds around Shetland. This low will move away for Friday allowing winds to ease. A ridge of high pressure over the south will maintain fairly quiet conditions throughout.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest veering northwest, 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 4 to 6 later.
Slight or moderate in Moray Firth, otherwise rough or very rough, occasionally high in northwest.
Squally wintry showers, occasionally thundery.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.
Slight or moderate in Moray Firth, otherwise very rough or high, becoming moderate or rough, then slight or moderate later except in far northwest.
Snow showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly, veering westerly or northwesterly, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 until later in far north.
Slight or moderate, becoming rough or very rough in far north.
Squally wintry showers, occasionally thundery in north.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or northwesterly, backing southwesterly, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, then becoming variable 3 or less later in north.
Rough at first near Rattray Head, otherwise slight or moderate.
Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest, veering west or northwest, 4 to 6.
Slight becoming moderate, occasionally rough later.
Showers, occasionally wintry later.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4, becoming variable, then becoming southwest later.
Moderate, occasionally rough at first.
Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest, veering northwest, 4 to 6.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later in north.
Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4, becoming variable, then becoming southwest later.

Moderate, occasionally rough at first in north.

Showers, fair later.

Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 3 or 4, backing southwesterly, then veering northwesterly later, 4 to 6.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate in north.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

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

Slight or moderate in north, smooth or slight in south.

Showers, fair later.

Good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 3 or 4, backing westerly or southwesterly, then veering northwesterly later, 4 or 5.

Smooth becoming slight.

Fair then showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or less.

Smooth or slight.

Showers, fair later.

Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

North backing west, then veering northwest later, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Fair then showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or less.

Smooth or slight.

Showers, fair later.

Good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

North, backing west or northwest, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate near the Isles of Scilly.

Fair then showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate at first near the Isles of Scilly.

Showers, fair later.

Good.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

North or northwest 3 or 4, backing west or northwest 4 or 5.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate later.

Fair then showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.

Showers, fair later.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 4 or 5, backing west 3 or 4, then south 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.

Showers, fair later.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

West veering northwest, 4 or 5, increasing 6 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

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

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest, veering northwest, 4 or 5, increasing 6 for a time.

Slight, becoming slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or drizzle, becoming fair later.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest, backing southwest later, 3 to 5.

Slight or moderate, becoming slight.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly veering northwesterly, 4 to 6, increasing 7 for a time in north.

Moderate or rough becoming rough or very rough in far north, elsewhere slight or moderate.

Occasional rain then showers, perhaps wintry later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 4 or 5, backing west 3 or 4, then south or southwest 4 or 5 later.

Rough at first in far north, otherwise slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight in east.

Showers, wintry at first.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

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

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or northwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 for a time.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later near Mull of Kintyre.

Occasional rain then showers, perhaps wintry later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or northwesterly, backing southerly or southwesterly later, 3 to 5.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first near Mull of Kintyre, becoming smooth or slight in the Firth of Clyde.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West veering northwest, 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 for a time.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in west.

Showers, wintry later.

Good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 4 or 5, backing west 3 or 4, then south or southwest 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate later.

Wintry showers then occasional rain.

Good, occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest, veering west or northwest, 6 to gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far north and in far south.

Squally wintry showers, perhaps thundery later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4, then south or southwest 4 to 6 later.

Moderate or rough in far northeast, otherwise slight or moderate.

Wintry showers, rain later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest, veering west or northwest, 6 to gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Rough or very rough, becoming very rough or high for a time.

Squally wintry showers, perhaps thundery later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4, then south or southwest 4 to 6 later.

Rough or very rough, becoming moderate or rough later.

Wintry showers, rain later.

Good, occasionally poor.

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

Valid Thursday 02 Apr 2020 at 0000 UTC until Thursday 02 Apr 2020 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Deep low in the Norwegian Sea moves east into Scandinavia with a very strong, unstable and cold northwesterly airstream becoming established over Shetland waters.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle at time of issue: Westerly gale force 8, increasing severe gale 9 later. Issued at 03:43 (UTC) on Wed 01 April 2020

West veering northwest 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally 10 in north later
Very rough or high, but moderate or rough in sheltered eastern waters
Showers, wintry later.
Good, occasionally poor later

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Thursday 02 Apr until 0000 UTC on Friday 03 Apr:

Northwest 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally 6 later
Very rough or high, but moderate or rough in sheltered eastern waters
Wintry showers, thundery at times
Good occasionally poor.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

Northerly 2 to 4, backing northwest by noon, increasing 4 to 5 during the afternoon.

Slight, perhaps moderate in the north late afternoon.

Occasional light showers.

Good, perhaps occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 4 to 5, decreasing 3 to 4 by dawn, becoming variable 1 to 3 during the afternoon and evening, then southeast by midnight.

Slight, perhaps moderate in the north until dawn, smooth or slight by evening.

Occasional light showers or rain, clearing during the afternoon.

Good, perhaps occasionally moderate.

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