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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore from 1200 UTC to 1200 UTC

General Situation

An intense low near southern Norway will continue moving slowly east today, bringing strong winds, gales or severe gales to all ares, with storms at first in the north. A transient ridge of high pressure will follow east across the United Kingdom through Saturday.

From Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

North gale 8 to storm 10 backing west 5 to 7.

Squally wintry showers.

Moderate or good, becoming very poor at times.

Very rough or high, occasionally very high at first in north.

Rattray Head to Berwick on Tweed

24 hour forecast:

Northwest gale 8 to storm 10 backing southwest 5 to 7.

Squally wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Rough or very rough, but high for a time in north.

Berwick on Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Northwest gale 8 to storm 10 decreasing 5 or 6, backing southwest later.

Squally wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Rough or very rough.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

West veering northwest gale 8 to storm 10, decreasing 5 or 6, backing southwest later.

Squally wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Rough or very rough.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

West veering northwest 7 to severe gale 9, backing west 5 or 6 later.

Squally wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough for a time in north.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 5 to 7 decreasing 4 or 5.

Squally showers.

Moderate or good.

Rough becoming moderate.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 5 or 6 backing southwest 4 or 5.

Squally wintry showers then fair.

Moderate or good.

Rough becoming moderate.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 5 or 6, increasing 7 in far west for a time, backing southwesterly 4 later.

Squally wintry showers then fair.

Moderate or good.

Rough, occasionally very rough at first in west, becoming moderate in east.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 5 to 7 backing southwest 5 or 6.

Squally wintry showers, becoming fair later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Moderate or rough.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 6 to gale 8 decreasing 5 or 6, backing southwest later.

Squally wintry showers then fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Rough, occasionally very rough at first and moderate later.

Great Ormes Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 7 to severe gale 9 decreasing 5 or 6, backing southwest later.

Squally wintry showers then fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Rough, occasionally very rough at first and moderate later.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 7 or gale 8 decreasing 4 or 5, backing southwest 5 or 6 later.

Squally wintry showers then fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Rough or very rough, becoming moderate later.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 5 or 6, backing southwest later.

Squally wintry showers then fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

In north, high becoming very rough, in south, moderate or rough.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 5 or 6, backing southwest later.

Squally wintry showers then fair.

Moderate or good occasionally very poor.

Rough or very rough, occasionally high at first through North Channel.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 7 to severe gale 9 decreasing 5 or 6.

Squally wintry showers.

Moderate, occasionally very poor.

High or very high becoming very rough.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath including the Outer Hebrides

24 hour forecast:

North or northwest 7 to severe gale 9 decreasing 5 or 6.

Squally wintry showers.

Moderate or poor, occasionally very poor.

High or very high becoming rough or very rough.

Shetland Isles

24 hour forecast:

North gale 8 to storm 10 decreasing 5 to 7, backing west later.

Squally wintry showers.

Moderate or poor, occasionally very poor.

High or very high.

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