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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0000 UTC Wednesday 02 May to 0000 UTC Thursday 03 May 2018

General Situation

Low pressure is moving across the northern isles, bringing occasional gales ahead of it, but winds will ease as pressure builds through Wednesday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South veering northwest, then backing west later, 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times.
Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain at first, squally showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West, backing south or southwest, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far northwest.

Squally showers, then rain at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South veering northwest 5 or 6, becoming variable 3 or 4, then becoming west 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain until later, then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West, backing south or southwest, 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South 5 to 7, veering west 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain until later, then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

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

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth.

Occasional rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South 5 to 7, veering west 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough near Flamborough Head.

Rain for a time.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

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

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate at first near Whitby.

Fair.

Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 for a time, veering westerly 4 or 5 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in east.

Rain for a time.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or northwesterly 4 or 5, becoming variable, then southerly or southwesterly, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8, veering westerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 3 later.

Slight, becoming moderate or rough for a time.

Rain for a time.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5 for a time later.

Slight, occasionally smooth.

Fair.

Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, veering west or northwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming rough for a time except in the solent.

Rain at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest, backing southwest, 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth.

Fair.

Good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South 6 to gale 8, veering northwest 5 or 6, occasionally 4 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight later.

Rain at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first, backing backing southwest 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth.

Occasional rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South 6 to gale 8, veering west or northwest 5 or 6, occasionally 4 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight.

Rain at first, then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest, backing southwest, 4 or 5, decreasing 3 at times.
Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in shelter.
Occasional rain later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South 6 to gale 8, veering west or northwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Moderate or rough, occasionally slight.
Rain then squally showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West, backing south or southwest, 4 or 5.
Slight or moderate.
Rain at times.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South 5 to 7, veering west or northwest 5 or 6, decreasing 4 at times.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first.
Rain then squally showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West, backing south or southwest, 4 or 5.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Isle of Man - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South 6 to gale 8, veering northwest 5 or 6, backing west later.
Moderate, occasionally rough at first.
Rain at first.
Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West backing southwest 4 or 5.
Slight or moderate.
Showers.
Good, occasionally moderate in showers.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Cyclonic, becoming west or northwest, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough.
Rain or squally showers.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West, backing south or southwest, 4 or 5.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first in far north.
Showers, occasional rain later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Cyclonic, becoming westerly or northwesterly, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first.
Rain or squally showers.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly, backing southerly or southwesterly, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth.
Squally showers, occasional rain later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest backing west 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight or moderate, becoming rough later in west.
Squally showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West, backing south or southwest, 4 or 5.
Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.
Showers, occasional rain later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest, backing west or southwest, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight or moderate.
Squally showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West, backing south or southwest, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight or moderate.
Squally showers, occasional rain later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest, backing west or southwest, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Moderate, occasionally slight at first, becoming rough in west.
Squally showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West, backing south or southwest, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Moderate or rough.
Squally showers, occasional rain later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

Valid Wednesday 02 May 2018 at 0000 UTC until Wednesday 02 May 2018 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Atlantic trough and associated low cross from the west late early Wed, with a West-NW flow following later.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil at time of issue.

Southerly or southeasterly 5 to 7, occasionally 4 in east, becoming cyclonic 5 or 6 later in west
Moderate or rough
Occasional rain
Moderate or good, occasionally poor

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Wednesday 02 May until 0000 UTC on Thursday 03 May:
Southerly or southeasterly 6 or 7 at first in east, otherwise cyclonic 5 or 6, becoming westerly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later in west
Moderate or rough
Occasional rain
Moderate or good

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly 5 to 6, locally 7, increasing 6 to 7 by dawn, veering west to northwest 4 to 5 by midday, perhaps locally 6 until evening.

Moderate to rather rough, occasionally rough north of jersey, decreasing moderate in the afternoon, perhaps locally rather rough.

Occasional rain, locally heavy after dawn, clearing early afternoon.

Moderate to poor, becoming good early afternoon.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 4, locally 5, decreasing 2 to 3 after dawn, backing westerly around midday and southwest by midnight.

Moderate, decreasing smooth or slight around dawn, with a low swell.

Fair.

Good.

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