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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore  
for the period 1800 UTC Sunday 04 March to 1800 UTC Monday 05 March 2012

#### General Situation

An area of low pressure in the eastern channel will drift east this evening and become slow moving over the near Continent leaving gales in its wake. A ridge will build into western parts tomorrow.

#### Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

West 4 or 5, decreasing 3 at times.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight in Moray Firth, occasionally very rough later in north.

Wintry showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West becoming variable, 3 or 4, then south 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Rough or very rough becoming moderate in north, slight or moderate in south.

Mainly fair.

Good.

#### Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 3, increasing 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or less for a time, then south 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

#### Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times in north.

Slight becoming moderate or rough.

Rain at first then fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest 5 to 7, becoming variable 3 or 4, then south later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first.

Fair.

Good.

#### Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North or northwest 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 for a time.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in south.

Rain, mainly fair later in north.

Moderate occasionally poor becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest 6 to gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5 then becoming variable 3 or less later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight later.

Occasional rain in south at first, otherwise fair.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor in south.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic 4 or 5, then northerly or northwesterly 6 to gale 8.

Slight, becoming moderate or rough.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northwesterly 6 to gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5, then becoming variable 3 or less later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight later.

Rain at times, fair later.

Moderate or good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 for a time in west.

Moderate or rough.

Rain, becoming fair in west.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northwesterly 6 to gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5, then becoming variable 3 or less later.

Rough in east at first, otherwise slight or moderate.

Occasional rain in east until later, fair in west.

Moderate occasionally poor in east, otherwise good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 6 at times later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight later in lyme bay.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4, and becoming variable later.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 6 to gale 8, decreasing 5 at times later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight later in lyme bay.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

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

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far west.

Mainly fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times later.

Moderate or rough.

Showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest 4 or 5, decreasing 3 or less and becoming variable later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 5 or 6, decreasing 4 at times later.

Moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or less, then south 4 or 5 later.

Moderate becoming slight.

Mainly fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 5 or 6, decreasing 4 at times later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or less, then south 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.

Showers at first.

Good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 5 or 6, decreasing 4 at times later.

Moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or less, then south 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers at first.

Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 4 or 5, decreasing 3 at times later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest becoming variable 3 or 4, then south 5 to 7 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later.

Showers at first.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 for a time.

Moderate, occasionally rough.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Northwesterly 4 or 5, backing southerly 6 or 7 later.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later.  
Showers at first.  
Moderate or good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
West or northwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 for a time.  
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in west.  
Showers.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Northwest 3 or 4, backing south 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.  
Rough or very rough, but moderate in sheltered east.  
Showers.  
Moderate or good.

The Minch - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
West or southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 for a time.  
Slight or moderate.  
Wintry showers.  
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Northwest 3 or 4, backing south 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later.  
Showers.  
Good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
West or southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 for a time.  
Rough or very rough, occasionally high in west.  
Wintry showers.  
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Southwest 3 or 4, backing south 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 or severe gale 9 later.  
Rough or very rough.  
Showers.  
Moderate or good.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland  
Valid Sunday 04 Mar 2012 at 1800 UTC until Monday 05 Mar 2012 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Trough will remain slow moving over the east Shetland Basin whilst ridge builds north over mainland Scotland, then Shetland and Faeroes on Monday.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil

Southwesterly veering westerly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 for a time in west.  
Moderate or rough.  
Rain or wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Monday 05 Mar until 1800 UTC on Monday 05 Mar:

Mainly westerly 3 or 4.

Moderate or rough, becoming very rough in west.

Wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 7 to gale 8 with gusts to 50 knots for a time, decreasing 5 or 6 after midnight.

Rough or very rough, moderating after midnight.

Any rain, soon clearing isolated showers of rain or hail developing overnight.

Good, locally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 by Tuesday morning.

Rather rough, gradually decreasing moderate by Tuesday morning with a swell.

Risk of a shower at first.

Mainly good.

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