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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0000 UTC Tuesday 03 March to 0000 UTC Wednesday 04 March 2020

General Situation

Two lows centred to the northeast and northwest of Scotland will slowly fill and move away northwards, allowing the strong and showery westerly flow to gradually ease through Tuesday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly veering westerly, 4 to 6 occasionally 7 at first in north.
Slight at times in Moray Firth, otherwise moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first in far northwest.
Rain or showers, squally at times.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly backing southwesterly, 4 to 6, decreasing 3 at times later in southeast.
Moderate or rough in north, slight or moderate in east.
Showers.
Good.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly veering westerly, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in north.
Rain or showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West, backing southwest, then backing south for a time later, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.
Moderate becoming slight.
Fair.
Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest, veering west or northwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.
Moderate.
Rain or showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 4 or 5, backing south 2 or 3, then backing east or southeast 3 or 4 later.
Moderate, becoming slight later.
Mainly fair.
Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 4 or 5.
Moderate, occasionally slight in south.
Rain or showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5, backing south or southwest 3 or 4, then becoming cyclonic 5 or 6

later.
Moderate becoming slight.
Rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.
Slight or moderate.
Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly 4 or 5, backing southerly 2 or 3, then becoming cyclonic later, mainly southeasterly, 5 or 6.
Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth at first in the Thames estuary.
Rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.
Slight or moderate.
Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4, then becoming southerly or southwesterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.
Slight or moderate.
Showers, rain later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West 4 or 5, veering northwest 3 or 4 later, occasionally 6 at first.
Moderate, becoming slight later.
Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or northwest 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or 4, then becoming south, veering southwest later, 5 or 6.
Slight, becoming moderate later.
Rain or showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or northwest 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4.
Moderate or rough west of the Lizard peninsula, slight or moderate elsewhere.
Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly 3 or 4, backing southerly 5 or 6, then veering westerly or northwesterly 5 to 7 later, perhaps gale 8 later in west.
Moderate or rough west of the Lizard peninsula, slight or moderate elsewhere.
Rain or showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or northwest 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4, then backing southwest later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight at times later in the Bristol Channel.
Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 3 or 4, backing southeast, then veering west or northwest later, 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in west.
Rain or showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or northwest 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4 later.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight later.
Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West 3 or 4, backing south or southeast, then becoming cyclonic later, 5 to 7.
Slight, becoming slight or moderate.
Rain or showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4 later.
Moderate, becoming slight later.
Rain or showers at first.
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West 3 or 4, backing south or southeast 4 or 5, then backing east or northeast 5 or 6 later.
Smooth or slight.
Rain later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Isle of Man - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest, veering west or northwest 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 later.
Moderate, becoming slight later.
Rain or showers at first.
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West 3 or 4, backing south or southeast, then backing north or northeast later, 4 or 5.
Smooth or slight.
Rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwesterly, veering northwesterly, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first in far north, then backing southwesterly 4 or 5 later.
Moderate or rough in north, otherwise slight or moderate.
Rain or squally showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West backing south, becoming variable, then becoming north later, 3 or 4.
Moderate in north, otherwise smooth or slight.
Showers.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly veering northwesterly, 5 to 7, then backing westerly 3 or 4 later. Slight or moderate, occasionally rough near Mull of Kintyre.

Rain or squally showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly backing southerly, becoming variable, then becoming northerly later, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate near Mull of Kintyre.

Showers.

Good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest veering west, 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times later.

Rough or very rough, occasionally moderate in shelter.

Rain or squally showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West, backing south for a time, 3 to 5.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight in shelter.

Showers.

Good.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic at first in north, otherwise northwesterly backing westerly, 5 to 7, occasionally 4 at first in north.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight at times later in central areas.

Rain or squally showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or southwesterly 3 to 5, increasing 6 for a time in north.

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

Showers.

Good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic at first in north, otherwise northwesterly backing westerly, 5 to 7, occasionally 4 at first in north.

Rough or very rough.

Rain or squally showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or southwesterly 3 to 5, increasing 6 for a time in north.

Rough.

Showers.

Good.

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

Valid Tuesday 03 Mar 2020 at 0000 UTC until Tuesday 03 Mar 2020 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Another area of low pressure will drift northwards across Shetland Waters during Tuesday

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

Southeasterly veering southwesterly in south later, 5 to 7

Rough or very rough

Rain or showers

Good, occasionally poor

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Tuesday 03 Mar until 0000 UTC on Wednesday 04 Mar:

Southeasterly 6 or 7 in north at first otherwise westerly or southwesterly 4 or 5

Rough but very rough in north at first and moderate in south and east later

Rain or showers

Good, occasionally poor

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 4 to 6, locally 7 at first, decreasing 3 to 5 by dawn, locally 6 and variable around showers, veering northwesterly in the evening.

Rather rough to rough, decreasing slight to moderate in the morning, with a low to moderate swell.

Scattered showers, locally heavy with hail and a risk of thunder before dawn, dying out in the afternoon.

Good, occasionally moderate, perhaps locally poor before dawn.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly 3 to 4, backing southerly by dawn, increasing 4 to 6 by noon, perhaps locally 7 mid-channel, veering southwest to west later.

Slight to moderate, with a low swell, increasing rather rough in the north of the area by noon, then generally rather rough to rough in the evening.

Occasional rain by dawn, becoming persistent during the morning, clearing to isolated showers by early afternoon.

Good, occasionally moderate, locally poor during the morning.

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