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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1800 UTC Tuesday 04 August to 1800 UTC Wednesday 05 August 2020

General Situation

A ridge of high pressure will maintain influence across the far southeast, but elsewhere active Atlantic fronts will bring more unsettled conditions overnight and through Wednesday. Quieter weather will then extend northwestwards across most waters by the end of Thursday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southeasterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in east, veering southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 near Cape Wrath, then becoming variable 3 or less later in south.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first in east, becoming smooth or slight in Moray Firth.

Occasional rain or drizzle, fog patches developing in far northwest.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor, but becoming very poor at times in far northwest.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 2 to 4, becoming southeasterly 3 to 5 later.

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

Rain at times, becoming fair later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first in north, veering southerly or southwesterly 3 to 5.

Slight or moderate, but rough at first in north, becoming smooth or slight later in south.

Rain, becoming fair for a time.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 3 to 5, becoming variable 2 to 4, then southeast 4 or 5 later.

Moderate at first in north, otherwise smooth or slight.

Occasional rain at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South 5 to 7, veering south or southwest 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.

Rain at times.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 4 or 5, veering southwest, then backing southeast later, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Rain at first.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 6 or 7, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight later.

Occasional rain, mainly in north.

Good, occasionally moderate in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest, backing southeast later, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.
Smooth or slight.
Occasional rain at first.
Mainly good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:
Southwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly, backing southeasterly later, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.
Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.
Showers for a time.
Good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:
Southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first in east, decreasing 3 at times later in west.
Slight.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first in east, becoming variable 2 to 4 later.
Smooth or slight.
Occasional drizzle in west.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor in west.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:
South or southwest 4 or 5.
Slight, occasionally moderate.
Occasional drizzle developing in west.
Good, occasionally moderate in west.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first, becoming variable 3 or less later.
Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.
Occasional drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:
South or southwest 4 to 6.
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough west of the Lizard.
Occasional drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, backing southerly or southeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later in west.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first west of the Lizard, becoming smooth or slight in lyme bay.
Drizzle at times.

Good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 to 6, occasionally 7 until later in west.

Mainly slight east of porthcawl, otherwise moderate, occasionally rough in west. Drizzle at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 4 or 5, backing southerly or southeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later in west.

Moderate or rough at first in west, otherwise slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight later in Bristol Channel.

Occasional drizzle at first.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8 at first in north, decreasing mainly 4 or 5 later.

Moderate, occasionally rough in west, but slight at times in shelter.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 to 6, backing south or southeast 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight later.

Occasional drizzle at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

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

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, decreasing 5 at times later.

Moderate or rough until later north of southport, otherwise slight or moderate.

Rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4, then backing southeast later.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.

Drizzle at first.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming mainly moderate.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 4 or 5, veering west or southwest 3 or 4.

Moderate becoming slight.

Rain at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in southeast, decreasing 3 or 4 in northwest, then becoming variable 2 to 4 later.

Moderate or rough at first in east, otherwise slight or moderate.

Rain or drizzle at times.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 2 to 4, becoming south or southeast 4 or 5 later.
Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight for a time.
Rain or drizzle at first.
Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4, then veering westerly later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first near Mull of Galloway.
Rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly, backing southerly or southeasterly, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.
Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.
Rain or drizzle at first.
Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.
Rain or drizzle.
Moderate or poor, occasionally good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest backing south, 3 or 4, then backing southeast 4 or 5 later.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional drizzle at first.
Good, occasionally poor at first.

The Minch - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, then decreasing 3 at times later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first in far south, becoming smooth or slight later except in far south.
Rain or drizzle, fog patches until later.
Moderate or poor, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 3 or 4, backing south or southeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in far south.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, then decreasing 3 at times later.
Moderate, occasionally rough at first in southwest, becoming slight at times near Sutherland.
Rain or drizzle, fog patches until later.
Moderate or poor, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 3 or 4, backing south or southeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.
Moderate, occasionally slight near Sutherland.

Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Tuesday 04 Aug 2020 at 1800 UTC until Wednesday 05 Aug 2020 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Low pressure near Iceland pushes a frontal zone across Shetland waters on Tuesday, leaving a moist SW flow on Wednesday.

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

Southeasterly 5 to 7 veering southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 3 in west.
Moderate or rough.
Rain or drizzle, fog patches.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Wednesday 05 Aug until 1800 UTC on Wednesday 05 Aug:

Southwesterly backing southerly 4 or 5, decreasing 3 later in south.
Moderate but rough at first in far east.
Fog patches, occasional drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

Southwest to south 3 to 4, perhaps occasionally 5 mid-channel, locally variable 1 to 3 jersey southward until around midnight, then again Wednesday afternoon.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate mid-channel, with a low swell.
Risk of rain or drizzle in the northwest of the area overnight and again by Wednesday evening.
Good, perhaps locally moderate or poor overnight and again by Wednesday evening.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South to southwest 2 to 4, occasionally 5 mid-channel at first, locally variable 1 to 3 in the south of the area until midnight.
Smooth or slight, locally moderate mid-channel until around midnight, with a low swell.
Patchy rain or drizzle with mist or fog, mainly in the northwest of the area, clearing Thursday morning.
Good, locally moderate to very poor, mainly in the northwest of the area until around midday.

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