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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0000 UTC Sunday 02 February to 0000 UTC Monday 03 February 2020

General Situation

The United Kingdom lies under a ridge of high pressure that will move away eastwards through Sunday. This will be replaced by the next Atlantic low that will approach the west of Scotland by Sunday evening.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West becoming variable, 3 or 4, becoming southeast 4 to 6 later.

Mainly slight in the Moray Firth, otherwise slight or moderate, occasionally rough in north.

Showers then rain.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeasterly 4 to 6, veering southwesterly 6 to gale 8, then veering westerly 7 to severe gale 9 later, perhaps storm 10 later in north.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first in north, becoming rough or very rough later, then becoming high or very high later in north.

Occasional rain or showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

West becoming variable, 3 or 4, then becoming south or southwest 3 to 5 later.

Slight, occasionally moderate.

Showers then rain.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly 4 or 5, veering westerly or southwesterly 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 later in north.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later, occasionally very rough later near Rattray Head.

Rain or showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

West becoming variable, 2 to 4, becoming south or southwest 4 or 5 later.

Slight, occasionally moderate.

Showers then rain.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 4 or 5, veering westerly 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 at times in north.

Slight becoming moderate.

Occasional rain or showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West backing south or southwest, 3 to 5, occasionally 6 later.

Slight, occasionally moderate.

Showers then occasional rain.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest veering west, 5 or 6, increasing 7 at times later.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, backing southerly 4 or 5 for a time at first.

Slight or moderate.

Rain at first.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly veering westerly later, 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later in north.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly backing southerly 4 or 5, then veering southwesterly 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain, drizzle later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, decreasing 4 for a time.

Moderate, occasionally rough offshore.

Fair then rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South 3 or 4, southwest 5 to 7.

Slight at first near shore, otherwise moderate, occasionally rough offshore.

Rain at first, drizzle later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time.

Moderate or rough.

Fair, then rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

South 4 or 5, veering southwest 5 to 7.

Slight at first in lyme bay, otherwise moderate or rough.

Rain or drizzle, becoming mainly fair later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4, then veering northwest 5 or 6 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough west of Lands End.

Fair then occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

South 3 or 4, backing southeast 5 or 6, then veering southwest 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 to 7, veering west 4 or 5, then veering northwest 5 to 7 later.

Rough or very rough.

Mainly fair, but occasional drizzle for a time.

Good, occasionally poor for a time.

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

24 hour forecast:

South backing southeast 4 or 5, veering southwest 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming rough later.

Rain then showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 to 7, veering west 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first near St Davids Head.

Showers later.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

West backing south or southeast 3 to 5, then veering southwest 5 to 7.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate later.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest veering west, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Moderate, occasionally rough.

Showers later.

Good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7.

Slight, becoming moderate later.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest veering west, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Moderate or rough.

Showers.

Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.

Slight, becoming moderate later.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest veering west 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 at times.

Moderate or rough, becoming very rough in north.

Showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 3 or 4, backing southerly or southeasterly 4 or 5, then veering southwesterly 5 or 6.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate later.
Rain then showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwesterly 5 or 6, veering westerly 6 to gale 8.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later near Mull of Kintyre.
Showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Variable 2 to 4, becoming southeast 5 or 6, then veering southwest 5 to 7 later.
Rough or very rough, occasionally moderate in shelter.
Rain or showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 6 or 7, veering west or northwest 7 to severe gale 9.
Very rough or high.
Showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Variable 2 to 4, becoming south or southeast, then veering southwest later, 4 to 6.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far south.
Showers then rain.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 6 or 7, veering west or northwest 7 to severe gale 9, increasing storm 10 for a time.
Moderate or rough, becoming rough or very rough, occasionally high later in far south.
Occasional rain or showers.
Moderate or poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Variable 2 to 4, becoming south or southeast, then veering southwest later, 4 to 6.
Moderate or rough.
Showers then rain.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 6 or 7, veering west or northwest 7 to severe gale 9, increasing storm 10 for a time.
Rough becoming very rough or high, occasionally very high later in north.
Occasional rain or showers.
Moderate or poor.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Sunday 02 Feb 2020 at 0000 UTC until Sunday 02 Feb 2020 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation
Weak ridge of high pressure will build on Sunday. Ridge will decline later on Sunday as fronts approach from the south.

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

Northwest 5 decreasing 3 or 4
Rough, but very rough in north at first, but moderate just east of Shetland
Wintry showers then fair
Mainly good

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Sunday 02 Feb until 0000 UTC on Monday 03 Feb:
Northwest 3 or 4 becoming variable 3 or less for a time, then southeast 3 or 4 later
Moderate or rough, but slight in sheltered eastern coastal waters
Fair
Good

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South to southwest 4 to 6, soon increasing 5 to 7, veering southwest to west before dawn, decreasing 4 to 6 in the afternoon.
Slight to moderate with a low swell, increasing rather rough to rough by dawn, decreasing moderate in the south in the afternoon, with a low swell.
Occasional rain and drizzle, locally heavy, with mist and fog patches.
Moderate to poor perhaps very poor, occasionally good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest to west 4 to 6, perhaps locally 7 mid-channel at first, decreasing 3 to 5 around dawn then veering west to northwest in the afternoon, increasing 4 to 6 in the evening.
Slight to moderate in the south with a low swell, rather rough to rough in the north, becoming generally slight to moderate with a moderate swell in the afternoon then rather rough to rough in the evening.
Rain and drizzle at times, becoming persistent and locally heavy in the evening, with mist and fog patches.
Moderate to good, occasionally poor or very poor.

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