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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1800 UTC Tuesday 01 May to 1800 UTC Wednesday 02 May 2018

General Situation

Low pressure is moving across the far northwest of Scotland, bringing gales for a time to many areas. The associated front will move away eastwards, leaving a westerly flow for Thursday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South, veering northwest, 5 to 7, occasionally 4 at first, then backing west 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first, then becoming smooth at times later.

Occasional rain, showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times, but becoming variable 3 or 4 for a time.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth, becoming rough at times in far northwest.

Showers, thundery at first in west.

Good, occasionally poor at first in west.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South 5 to 7, veering west or northwest 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4 at times later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first in north.

Occasional rain, showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, but becoming variable 3 or 4 at times.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth later.

Showers.

Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest, veering northwest later, 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 for a time, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far south.

Occasional rain, showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming west or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, backing south 3 or 4 later.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate at first.

Showers.

Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 for a time, veering west 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough for a time.

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

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate at first.
Showers.
Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally 4 at first, perhaps gale 8 later, veering westerly 4 or 5 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later.
Occasional rain or showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate at first.
Showers at first.
Good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally 4 at first, perhaps gale 8 later, veering westerly 4 or 5 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough.
Occasional rain or showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly or northwesterly 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4, then southwesterly 4 or 5 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth later.
Showers at first.
Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8, veering west 4 or 5 later, occasionally 6 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough.
Occasional rain, showers later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or northwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, then backing southwest 3 or 4.
Slight or moderate.
Showers at first.
Good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, veering northwest 5 or 6, decreasing 4 at times later.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first in far west, becoming slight at times later.
Occasional rain, showers later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, backing west or southwest 3 or 4,

increasing 5 at times later.
Slight or moderate.
Showers at first, occasional rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, veering west or northwest 5 or 6, decreasing 4 at times later.
Slight at times in Bristol Channel, otherwise moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first in far west.
Occasional rain, showers later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest, backing southwest later, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, then decreasing 3 at times.
Moderate, occasionally slight.
Showers at first, occasional rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 6 to gale 8, veering west or northwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Moderate or rough, occasionally slight later.
Occasional rain, showers later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest, backing southwest later, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight or moderate.
Showers, occasional rain later.
Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in northwest, veering westerly or northwesterly 5 or 6, decreasing 4 at times.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first in northwest.
Occasional rain, thundery showers later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

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

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South 6 to gale 8, veering northwest 4 or 5, then backing west 3 or 4 later.
Moderate or rough, occasionally slight later.
Occasional rain, becoming fair.
Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5, backing southwest 3 or 4.
Slight or moderate.
Showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first in south, veering westerly or

northwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough.
Occasional rain, thundery showers later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or northwesterly, backing southwesterly, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far north.
Showers, thundery at first, then occasional rain.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southerly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first in south, veering westerly or northwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first, then becoming smooth at times mainly in north.
Occasional rain, thundery showers later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or northwesterly, backing southwesterly, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in North Channel.
Showers, thundery at first, occasional rain later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South 5 to 7, veering west or northwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in west.
Occasional rain, thundery showers later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest, backing southwest, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight or moderate, becoming rough at times in west.
Showers, thundery at first, occasional rain later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic 6 to gale 8, becoming west or northwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first in south, then becoming smooth at times in central areas.
Occasional rain, thundery showers later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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 north and in far south.
Occasional rain or showers, thundery at first.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic 6 to gale 8, becoming west or northwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Moderate or rough.
Occasional rain, thundery showers later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

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

Occasional rain or showers, thundery at first.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Tuesday 01 May 2018 at 1800 UTC until Wednesday 02 May 2018 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Atlantic trough and associated low crossing from the west late Tue and 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 at first in east, becoming cyclonic 4 or 5 later in west
Moderate or rough
Occasional rain
Moderate or good

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Wednesday 02 May until 1800 UTC on Wednesday 02 May:

Southerly or southeasterly 5 to 7, at first in east, otherwise cyclonic 4 or 5, becoming westerly or northwesterly 4 or 5 later in west
Moderate or rough
Occasional rain
Moderate or good

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly 4 to 5, increasing 5 to 6 by midnight, then 6 to 7 by dawn, veering northwest 4 to 5 around midday, occasionally 6.
Slight to moderate, becoming moderate to rather rough late evening, occasionally rough mid-channel, decreasing moderate in the afternoon.
Isolated showers rain spreading in from the west by midnight, locally heavy after dawn, clearing around midday.
Good, becoming moderate to poor in rain, then good again by afternoon.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West to northwest 4 to 5, perhaps occasionally 6 at first, decreasing 3 to 4 Thursday morning, backing westerly 2 to 3 in the afternoon.
Moderate decreasing slight overnight, with a low swell.
Fair or fine.
Good.

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