

AND NOW THE SHIPPING FORECAST ISSUED BY THE MET OFFICE, ON BEHALF OF THE MARITIME AND COASTGUARD AGENCY, AT 0505 ON WEDNESDAY 03 MARCH 2010

THERE ARE WARNINGS OF GALES IN TRAFALGAR BAILEY AND SOUTHEAST ICELAND

THE GENERAL SYNOPSIS AT MIDNIGHT  
HIGH THAMES 1027 EXPECTED FAIR ISLE 1025 BY MIDNIGHT TONIGHT. LOW TRAFALGAR 991 MOVING STEADILY EASTWARDS AND LOSING ITS IDENTITY BY SAME TIME. LOW ROCKALL 1012 SLOW MOVING AND LOSING ITS IDENTITY BY THAT TIME

THE AREA FORECASTS FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS

VIKING NORTH UTSIRE SOUTH UTSIRE FORTIES  
NORTHWESTERLY VEERING NORTHERLY 4 OR 5, INCREASING 6 AT TIMES. ROUGH OCCASIONALLY MODERATE LATER. WINTRY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

CROMARTY FORTH TYNE DOGGER  
VARIABLE 3 OR 4. MODERATE OR ROUGH. SHOWERS THEN FAIR. MODERATE OR GOOD

FISHER GERMAN BIGHT  
NORTHWEST 5 TO 7, VEERING NORTH 5 OR 6, OCCASIONALLY 4 IN GERMAN BIGHT. MODERATE OR ROUGH. WINTRY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

HUMBER THAMES  
VARIABLE BECOMING NORTHEAST 3 OR 4, INCREASING 5 OR 6 IN THAMES. SLIGHT OR MODERATE. FAIR. GOOD

DOVER WIGHT PORTLAND PLYMOUTH  
EAST OR NORTHEAST 5 TO 7. SLIGHT OR MODERATE OCCASIONALLY ROUGH. FAIR. MODERATE OR GOOD

BISCAY  
EAST 5 TO 7, BACKING NORTH 4 OR 5. MODERATE OR ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY SLIGHT LATER. OCCASIONAL RAIN IN SOUTH. MODERATE OR GOOD

FITZROY  
NORTHEASTERLY 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY 4 IN SOUTH. MODERATE OR ROUGH. SHOWERS, RAIN FOR A TIME IN SOUTH. MODERATE OR GOOD

WEST SOLE  
NORTHERLY 4 OR 5, INCREASING 6. MODERATE BECOMING ROUGH. SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

EAST SOLE LUNDY FASTNET IRISH SEA  
SOUTHEASTERLY BACKING NORTHEASTERLY 4 OR 5, INCREASING 6 AT TIMES. SLIGHT OR MODERATE, OCCASIONALLY ROUGH IN EAST SOLE. RAIN OR SHOWERS, EXCEPT IN IRISH SEA. MODERATE OR GOOD

SHANNON ROCKALL  
CYCLONIC BECOMING NORTH 5 OR 6, INCREASING 7 FOR A TIME. ROUGH. RAIN THEN SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

MALIN HEBRIDES  
SOUTH OR SOUTHEAST 5 OR 6, OCCASIONALLY 4 LATER, VEERING NORTHWEST LATER. MODERATE OR ROUGH. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

BAILEY  
SOUTHEAST 6 TO GALE 8, VEERING WEST OR NORTHWEST 5 OR 6. ROUGH OCCASIONALLY VERY ROUGH LATER. OCCASIONAL RAIN THEN SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

FAIR ISLE

NORTH VEERING EAST OR SOUTHEAST 3 OR 4, INCREASING 5 AT TIMES.  
MODERATE OR ROUGH. WINTRY SHOWERS THEN FAIR. MODERATE OR GOOD

FAEROES SOUTHEAST ICELAND

SOUTHEASTERLY VEERING SOUTHERLY OR SOUTHWESTERLY 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY  
GALE 8 IN SOUTHEAST ICELAND, VEERING WESTERLY LATER. MODERATE OR  
ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY VERY ROUGH LATER IN SOUTHEAST ICELAND. RAIN OR  
SHOWERS, OCCASIONALLY WINTRY. MODERATE OR GOOD