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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1200 UTC Saturday 01 January to 1200 UTC Sunday 02 January 2011

General Situation

A cold front across northern England will move southwards and weaken, becoming slow moving over the far southwest of England by late Saturday. High pressure will then build across the United Kingdom during Sunday and into Monday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North or northwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 or 5.

Rough or very rough, but mainly moderate in Moray Firth.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest, backing west 3 or 4, later backing southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6. Slight in Moray Firth, otherwise moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first in north.

Wintry showers, becoming fair, rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North or northwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough until later towards Rattray Head.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest, backing west 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first, backing southwest 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough.

Wintry showers, becoming fair, occasional rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North 4 or 5, occasionally 6, backing northwest later.

Rough.

Wintry showers.

Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 4 or 5, decreasing 3 or 4, backing southwest later.

Moderate or rough.

Wintry showers, becoming fair.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

North or northwest 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain, then showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 4 or 5, decreasing 3 or 4, backing west later.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional showers.

Mainly good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Northerly 3 or 4, occasionally 5, backing northwesterly later.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate, except in Thames estuary.

Occasional rain or drizzle, then mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first, backing westerly later.

Slight or moderate, but smooth in Thames estuary.

Fair.

Good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly, veering northerly or northeasterly, 3 or 4, occasionally 5.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate in east.

Occasional rain or drizzle for a time.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first, becoming variable 3 or less later.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in east.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly, 2 or 3, occasionally 4, veering northeasterly 4 or 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain or drizzle for a time.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5, becoming variable 3 or less later.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Mainly good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

North, veering east or southeast later, 2 or 3, occasionally 4.

Smooth or slight, but moderate, occasionally rough later in west.

Occasional rain or drizzle later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or southeast, veering south later, 2 or 3, occasionally 4.

Smooth or slight in east, moderate or rough in west.

Mainly fair in east, occasional rain or drizzle in west.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor in west.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

Mainly northwest, veering east or southeast later, 3 or 4, occasionally 5.

Slight in east, otherwise mainly moderate.

Mainly fair, occasional rain or drizzle later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or southeast, veering south later, 3 or 4, occasionally 5.

Moderate in west, slight in east.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel
24 hour forecast:

North, veering east, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 for a time.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in south.
Occasional rain or drizzle, mainly fair later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor for a time.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable, mainly east or southeast 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight.
Mainly fair, occasional rain in south.
Good, occasionally moderate in south.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly, 3 or 4, occasionally 5, becoming variable 3 or less.
Smooth or slight.
Occasional rain, then fair.
Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 4 or 5, decreasing 3 or 4, backing north 2 or 3 later.
Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.
Mainly fair.
Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 2 or 3, backing west, then southwest 3 or 4 later.
Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate later.
Fair.
Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 3 or 4, occasionally 5, becoming variable 3 or less later.
Smooth or slight in east, slight or moderate in north.
Mainly fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less, becoming southwest 4 or 5 later.
Smooth or slight in east, otherwise moderate, occasionally rough in northwest later.
Mainly fair.
Mainly good.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5, becoming variable 3 or less later.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate towards Mull of Kintyre.
Mainly fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable, 3 or less, becoming southwesterly 3 or 4 later.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate towards Mull of Kintyre.

Fair.

Good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point

24 hour forecast:

North, veering northeast 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less, becoming southwest 4 or 5 later.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate.

Fair, rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

The Minch

24 hour forecast:

Northerly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in north, becoming variable 3 or less later.

Slight or moderate, but rough or very rough in north.

Occasional showers, mainly fair in south.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less, becoming southwest 5 to 7 later.

Moderate or rough north of skye, slight to moderate south of skye.

Showers, rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate or poor later.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath

24 hour forecast:

North 3 or 4, occasionally 5, becoming variable 3 or less later.

Moderate or rough, but very rough in north.

Occasional showers, mainly fair in south.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less, becoming southwest 5 to 7 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in north at first.

Showers, rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate or poor later.

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

Valid Saturday 01 Jan 2011 at 1200 UTC until Sunday 02 Jan 2011 at 0000 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A northwesterly flow over Shetland and surrounding waters with a ridge edging in from the west during Sunday.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil.

North 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first.

Very rough, occasionally high at first in east.

Wintry showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0000 UTC on Sunday 02 Jan until 1200 UTC on Sunday 02 Jan:

North 5 or 6, occasionally 4 later.

Rough or very rough.

Wintry showers.

Moderate or good.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

Variable 2 or 3, becoming north by evening, veering northeast and increasing 4 around midnight, occasionally 5 overnight.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate.

Cloudy with mist patches in the south at first some rain overnight, clearing in the morning to become generally fair.

Moderate to poor, becoming mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East 3, occasionally 4 at first, becoming variable then southeast later.

Moderate with a swell, becoming slight.

Fair some mist or fog patches near french coasts early Monday.

Mainly good.

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