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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0600 UTC Saturday 01 January to 0600 UTC Sunday 02 January 2011

General Situation

A cold front across southern Scotland will move southwards and weaken to be over the far southwest of England by late Saturday. High pressure will then build across the United Kingdom during Sunday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northwesterly 5 to 7, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

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

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northwesterly, backing westerly or southwesterly later, 4 or 5.

Moderate in Moray Firth, otherwise rough, occasionally very rough at first in north.

Wintry showers, becoming fair, rain in north later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North or northwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough towards Rattray Head.

Wintry showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first in east, backing westerly 3 or 4 later.

Moderate or rough.

Wintry showers becoming fair.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain, then wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, decreasing 3 or 4, backing westerly later.

Moderate or rough.

Wintry showers becoming fair.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

North or northwest 4 or 5.

Slight becoming moderate or rough.

Occasional rain then showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest 4 or 5, decreasing 3 or 4, backing west later.

Moderate or rough.

Showers then mainly fair.
Mainly good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland
24 hour forecast:
Westerly veering northerly 4 or 5.
Smooth or slight, becoming moderate later.
Occasional rain or drizzle, then showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northerly or northwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5.
Moderate.
Showers then mainly fair.
Mainly good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill
24 hour forecast:
Westerly or northwesterly, veering northerly or northeasterly, 3 or 4, occasionally 5.
Smooth or slight, becoming moderate in east later.
Occasional rain 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.
Slight, occasionally moderate in east.
Mainly fair.
Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis
24 hour forecast:
Variable becoming westerly or northwesterly, 2 or 3, occasionally 4, veering northeasterly later, 4 or 5.
Smooth or slight.
Occasional rain for a time.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northeast 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first, becoming variable 3 or less later.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly
24 hour forecast:
North or northwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.
Smooth or slight but moderate, occasionally rough later in west.
Occasional rain or drizzle for a time, becoming fair in east later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northeast veering east or southeast, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first near Start Point, decreasing 3 or less later.
Smooth or slight in east, moderate or rough in west.
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 northwesterly veering easterly later, 3 or 4, occasionally 5.
Slight in east, slight becoming moderate in west.
Mainly fair, occasional rain or drizzle later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or southeast 3 or 4, occasionally 5.

Moderate in west, slight in east.

Occasional rain or drizzle in west, mainly fair in east.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor in west.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel

24 hour forecast:

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

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain or drizzle for a time.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor for a time.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or less later.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in south.

Mainly fair.

Mainly good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly veering northeasterly, 3 or 4, occasionally 5.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain for a time.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor for a time.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

Northwest veering northeast 4 or 5, decreasing 2 or 3 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.

Occasional rain or drizzle, then fair.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast becoming variable or westerly, 2 or 3.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

Northwest veering northeast 3 or 4, occasionally 5, becoming variable 3 or less later.

Smooth or slight in south, otherwise slight or moderate, occasionally rough later in northwest.

Occasional rain or drizzle, becoming mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less, becoming southwest 4 or 5.

Smooth or slight in south, otherwise moderate, occasionally rough in northwest.

Mainly fair.

Mainly good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly veering northeasterly, 4 or 5, decreasing 3 later.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate towards Mull of Kintyre.
Occasional rain or drizzle, becoming mainly fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast becoming variable, 3 or less, then becoming southwest 4 or 5 later.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate near Mull of Kintyre.
Fair.
Good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point

24 hour forecast:

North veering northeast 4 or 5, decreasing 3 later.
Slight becoming moderate.
Mainly fair.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast becoming variable 3 or less, then southwest 5 or 6 later.
Slight or moderate.
Fair, rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, decreasing 3 or 4 later.
Moderate or rough, very rough in north.
Occasional showers, mainly fair in south.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North backing southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7 later.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in north at first.
Fair, rain later.
Good, occasionally poor later.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, decreasing 3 or 4 later.
Moderate or rough, very rough in north.
Occasional showers, mainly fair in south.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North backing southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7 later.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in north at first.
Fair, rain later.
Good, occasionally poor later.

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

Valid Saturday 01 Jan 2011 at 0600 UTC until Saturday 01 Jan 2011 at 1800 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A cold northwesterly flow is established over Shetland and surrounding waters.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Northerly gale force 8 at

time of issue.

North or northwest 6 to gale 8.
Very rough or high.
Wintry showers.
Mainly good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1800 UTC on Saturday 01 Jan until 0600 UTC on Sunday 02 Jan:

North or northwest 5 to 7.
Rough or very rough.
Wintry showers.
Mainly good.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

East to northeast 3 to 4, locally variable 1 to 3 in the afternoon, becoming mainly northerly 2 to 4 in the evening and northeast to east 4, locally 5, from around midnight.
Slight, locally moderate later.
Misty at times, with a risk of fog patches occasional rain from late evening.
Moderate to good, perhaps locally poor to very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly 4, decreasing 2 to 3 in the morning, becoming variable in the afternoon then southerly.
Slight, locally moderate at first in the north of the area.
Patchy rain at first then the risk of showers.
Mainly good.

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