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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1800 UTC Thursday 04 February to 1800 UTC Friday 05 February
2016

General Situation

A mild southwesterly airstream will bring outbreaks of rain and drizzle through the next couple of days with squally showers developing through the latter part of the period.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 for a time near Cape Wrath. Rough, occasionally very rough in northwest, slight or moderate in southeast. Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly, backing southeasterly later, 5 or 6, decreasing 4 at times.

Rough or very rough in northwest, slight or moderate in southeast.

Rain then squally showers.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later in far east.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest, backing southeast later, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Slight or moderate in southeast, moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in northeast.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

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

Moderate.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest, veering west for a time, then backing southeast later, 5 or 6, decreasing 4 at times.

Moderate.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming southwest 5 to 7.

Moderate, occasionally rough.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times, backing south 6 to gale 8 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later.

Occasional rain.
Moderate or good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 or 7 later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly, backing southerly later, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally 4 at first.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly, backing southerly, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 or severe gale 9 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming rough or very rough later.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West backing southwest 5 or 6, decreasing 4 at times.

Slight or moderate.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 or severe gale 9 later.

Moderate, becoming rough or very rough later.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

West backing southwest 5 or 6, decreasing 4 at times, occasionally 7 later.

Moderate, becoming rough later in west.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

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

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in west.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

West backing southwest 4 or 5, increasing 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 for a time, then veering west 4 or 5 later.

Moderate, becoming rough or very rough later.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5, backing southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Rough or very rough, occasionally moderate in shelter.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest, veering west later, 4 or 5, increasing 6 to 8 for a time.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later in far southwest.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest, backing south for a time, 4 or 5, increasing 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at times.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in far southwest.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate or poor, becoming good later.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest, veering west later, 4 or 5, increasing 6 to 8 for a time.

Slight or moderate, becoming rough for a time.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest, backing south for a time, 4 or 5, increasing 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at times.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight later.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest, veering west later, 4 or 5, increasing 6 to 8 for a time.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest, backing south for a time, 4 or 5, increasing 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at times.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight later.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 to 7, veering west 4 or 5 for a time.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later in north and south.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest, backing southeast for a time, 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times.

Moderate or rough.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 5 to 7, veering westerly 4 or 5 for a time.
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later.
Rain or drizzle at times.
Moderate or poor, occasionally good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly, backing southeasterly for a time, 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times.
Moderate or rough.
Rain or drizzle at times.
Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 or severe gale 9 for a time.
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough in west.
Rain or drizzle at time.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest, backing southeast for a time, 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times.
Rough or very rough.
Rain or drizzle, then squally showers.
Moderate or poor, becoming good.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 or severe gale 9 for a time.
Moderate or rough, occasionally slight in shelter.
Rain or drizzle at times.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest, backing southeast, 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times.
Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.
Rain or drizzle, then squally showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 or severe gale 9 for a time.
Rough, becoming very rough.
Rain or drizzle at times.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest, backing southeast, 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times.
Rough or very rough.
Rain or drizzle, then squally showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

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

Valid Thursday 04 Feb 2016 at 1800 UTC until Friday 05 Feb 2016 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A deep Icelandic low pushes frontal troughs northeast over Shetland and surrounding waters later Thursday and into Friday.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Southerly gale force 8 expected later, issued 04/0355 UTC

Variable 3 at first in northeast, otherwise southeast 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 6, veering south or southwest 5 to 7.

Rough.

Rain spreading from southwest.

Good, becoming moderate or poor.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Friday 05 Feb until 1800 UTC on Friday 05 Feb:

South or southwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first.

Rough, soon very rough in west.

Rain clearing east later.

Moderate or poor becoming good.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West to northwest 5 to 6, decreasing 4 to 5 later this afternoon, backing southwest overnight, further backing south Friday morning and increasing 5 to 6, locally 7 in the north.

Rather rough to rough, becoming moderate to rather rough by evening, locally slight in the south later.

Occasional rain or drizzle risk of fog patches.

Moderate to poor, perhaps locally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest to south 5 in the south to 7 in the north, increasing 7 to gale 8 by Saturday afternoon.

Slight to moderate, with swell, becoming moderate in the south to rough in the north by mid afternoon, locally very rough in the north later.

Patchy rain or drizzle.

Moderate to good, occasionally poor.

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