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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0600 UTC Friday 03 January to 0600 UTC Saturday 04 January 2014

General Situation

A deep Atlantic low will move northeastwards, passing close to western Scotland with a very strong southwesterly flow accompanied by squally showers affecting all of the United Kingdom today. Winds generally decreasing on Saturday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southeast 7 to severe gale 9, veering southwest 6 to gale 8.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in east.

Rain or squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 6 to gale 8, becoming cyclonic 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough near Orkney.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southeast 7 to severe gale 9, veering southwest 6 to gale 8.

Moderate or rough, becoming very rough for a time in north.

Rain or squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest, becoming cyclonic for a time 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.

Moderate or rough.

Rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South veering southwest 6 to gale 8.

Moderate or rough.

Rain or squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest, backing southeast for a time, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.

Moderate.

Rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 6 to gale 8, increasing severe gale 9 for a time.

Moderate or rough.

Squally showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South backing southeast, then veering southwest, 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 for a time, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9.

Moderate or rough, becoming very rough for a time in south.

Showers, rain later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly 6 to gale 8, veering southwesterly 5 or 6, becoming cyclonic later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly backing southerly later, 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9.

Rough, becoming very rough.

Squally showers, rain later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly 6 to gale 8, veering westerly or southwesterly 5 to 7.

Rough or very rough, becoming moderate later.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9, backing south later.

Rough or very rough, becoming very rough or high.

Squally showers, rain later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South veering west or southwest, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.

Very rough or high, becoming rough or very rough.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 in west, decreasing 5 to 7 later.

Rough or very rough, becoming very rough or high, occasionally very high in far west.

Squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

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

Rough or very rough, but high in west.

Rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest gale 8 to storm 10, backing south 6 or 7 later.

Very rough or high, becoming very high for a time.

Squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly veering westerly for a time, 5 to 7, occasionally

gale 8 in southwest.
Very rough or high in west, very rough becoming rough in east.
Squally showers, mainly fair later.
Good, occasionally moderate.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest gale 8 to storm 10, backing south or southeast 5 or 6 later.
Very rough or high, becoming very high for a time in south.
Squally showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southeast veering west or southwest, then backing south later, 5 to 7.
Rough or very rough, occasionally high in south at first, becoming moderate in north later.
Showers, mainly fair later.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwesterly 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 in west, backing southeasterly 5 or 6 later.
Rough or very rough, occasionally high in west, becoming moderate or rough later.
Squally showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southeast veering west or southwest, then backing south later, 5 to 7.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.
Rain or showers, mainly fair later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Isle of Man - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South or southwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 5 or 6 later.
Rough or very rough, becoming moderate or rough later.
Showers, squally at first.
Good, occasionally moderate or poor at first and later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
South or southwest 5 or 6, veering west or southwest 4 or 5 for a time.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.
Showers at first then fair.
Good, occasionally moderate or poor at first.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southerly or southwesterly 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 in east at first, decreasing 4 or 5 later.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in southeast and far northwest.
Rain or squally showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
South becoming cyclonic then southwest, 4 or 5, backing south 5 or 6 later.
Moderate or rough.
Showers, mainly fair later.
Good.

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

Southerly or southwesterly 7 to severe gale 9, perhaps storm 10 at first in North Channel, decreasing 4 or 5 later.
Rough or very rough, becoming moderate or rough.
Rain or squally showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Cyclonic becoming south later 4 or 5, occasionally 6.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.
Showers.
Moderate or good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South 7 to severe gale 9, veering southwest 6 to gale 8, decreasing 5 or 6 later.
Moderate or rough in east, very rough or high in west.
Rain or squally showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest becoming cyclonic for a time 4 or 5, then backing south later 5 or 6.
Rough or very rough, occasionally high in west.
Showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

The Minch - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South or southeast veering southwest, 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in far south.
Rain or squally showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest veering west for a time, 6 to gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5.
Moderate or rough, but very rough or high in far south.
Showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South or southeast veering southwest, 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9.
Rough or very rough, becoming high in west.
Rain or squally showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest veering west for a time, 6 to gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5.
Rough or very rough, occasionally high in west.
Showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Friday 03 Jan 2014 at 0600 UTC until Friday 03 Jan 2014 at 1800 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Complex low pressure in the near Atlantic with a deep low centre tracking northeast close to Scotland later Friday, maintaining the very strong south or southeasterly airflow across Shetland.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Southeasterly severe gale 9.

South or southeast 7 to severe gale 9.

Rough soon becoming very rough.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, perhaps occasionally poor.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1800 UTC on Friday 03 Jan until 0600 UTC on Saturday 04 Jan:

Southeast 7 to severe gale 9 veering southwest 6 to gale 8.

Very rough becoming high in east for a time.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, perhaps occasionally poor.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 6 to gale 8, locally 9 with gusts to 65kts from late morning, backing south 5 to 7 during the evening, locally gale 8 with gusts to 50kt overnight.

Rather rough to rough in the south, and very rough to high in the north.

Squally rain or hail showers, more frequent and prolonged overnight risk of thunder.

Moderate to good, locally poor in showers.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South to southwest 5 to 7, veering west 5 to 6 by midday, backing southwest 6 to 7 during the afternoon, veering west to northwest 6 to gale 8 during the evening, perhaps 9 at times, backing southwest to south 5 to 7 overnight.

Rough, locally very rough at times.

Scattered rain or hail showers, becoming more frequent and prolonged from late afternoon, dying out overnight.

Moderate to good, locally poor in showers.

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