

Issued by the Met Office at 0001 UTC on Friday 03 August 2007

Ser. No. 18

Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore from 0001 UTC to 2359 UTC

General Situation

A ridge of high pressure crosses the area overnight, and then becomes slow moving across northwest France. An active frontal system crossing Scotland and northern England later in the period.

From Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

Southwest backing south or southeast for a time 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Fair, then rain.

Moderate or good, becoming moderate or poor.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later.

Rattray Head to Berwick on Tweed

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4, backing southerly 5 or 6.

Showers then occasional rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor in rain.

Slight increasing moderate, occasionally rough later.

Berwick on Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

West 3 or 4, backing south 5 or 6.

Occasional rain later.

Moderate or good.

Slight increasing moderate.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

West 3 or 4 backing south 5, occasionally 6 later.

Fair.

Good.

Slight, occasionally moderate later.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

West 3 or 4 backing south or southwest and increasing occasionally 5 later.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Slight, occasionally moderate later.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest, backing southwest later, 3 or 4, locally 5 in Strait of Dover.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Slight.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

Northwest, backing southwest later, 3 or 4.

Fair.

Good.

Slight.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly backing southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later in west.

Isolated showers later.

Mainly good.

Slight, occasionally moderate later.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5, occasionally 6 later.

Isolated showers later.

Good, occasionally moderate in showers.

Slight becoming moderate, occasionally rough later.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7.

Occasional rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate in rain.

Slight becoming moderate, occasionally rough later.

Great Ormes Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7.

Occasional rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate in rain.

Slight becoming moderate, occasionally rough later.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

South to southwest 3 or 4 increasing 4 or 5 then 6 to 7 later.

Fair then rain for a time.

Good becoming moderate in rain and occasionally poor.

Moderate becoming rough.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

South 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later in west.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later.

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

24 hour forecast:

South 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point

24 hour forecast:

South 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7, veering southwest later.

Rain.

Moderate or good, becoming moderate or poor.

Moderate becoming rough, occasionally very rough in west later.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath including the Outer Hebrides

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Rain.

Moderate or good, becoming moderate or poor.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough, occasionally very

rough in west later.

Shetland Isles

24 hour forecast:

West 3 or 4, backing south or southeast 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Fair then rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor in rain.

Moderate or rough.

(c) Crown Copyright 2007