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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1800 UTC Saturday 03 July to 1800 UTC Sunday 04 July 2010

General Situation

The area of low pressure near Iceland will continue to drift northwards and fill. An intense depression will move quickly northeastwards across Scotland on Sunday bringing severe gales or storms to the north, its associated frontal system sweeping eastwards across all areas by dawn Monday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest backing southeast for a time, 5 or 6, increasing 6 to gale 8, becoming cyclonic later.

Slight or moderate, but rough in north, occasionally very rough towards Cape Wrath.

Showers then rain.

Good, becoming moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Cyclonic then west, 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough towards Cape Wrath.

Rain then squally showers.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest backing south or southeast for a time, 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 later.

Slight increasing moderate or rough.

Showers at first, rain later.

Good, becoming moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest veering west, 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 at first, decreasing 5 or 6 later.

Moderate or rough.

Rain then mainly fair.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly, backing southeasterly for a time, 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 later in north.

Slight, increasing moderate or rough.

Rain later.

Good becoming moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly veering westerly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 at first in north, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Mainly moderate, occasionally rough at first.

Rain then mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable mainly south or southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7 later.

Slight, occasionally moderate later.

Occasional rain later.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest veering west, 5 to 7, decreasing 4 or 5 later.
Slight or moderate.
Rain at first.
Moderate or good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Variable, mainly westerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 later.
Smooth or slight, increasing moderate in south later.
Mainly fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwesterly, veering westerly or northwesterly 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight, but moderate in south.
Mainly fair.
Good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 later.
Slight increasing moderate later.
Mainly fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly or southwesterly 5 or 6, veering northwest 3 or 4 later.
Moderate.
Drizzle for a time.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor for a time.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6.
Slight increasing moderate.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest, veering west or northwest 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 later.
Moderate, increasing rough for a time.
Drizzle at first.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7.
Moderate, occasionally rough in west.
Mainly fair, drizzle later.
Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 5 to 7, veering northwest 4 or 5.
Moderate, occasionally rough in west.
Rain or drizzle at first, then fair.
Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later
towards St Davids Head.
Moderate, occasionally rough in west.

Rain or drizzle later.
Good becoming moderate or poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwesterly 5 to 7, veering northwesterly 4 or 5.
Moderate, occasionally rough in west.
Rain or drizzle at first, then fair.
Moderate or poor, becoming good.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 near headlands in west, backing southerly 6 to gale 8 later.
Moderate increasing rough.
Rain or drizzle later.
Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southerly or southwesterly 6 to gale 8, veering westerly 4 or 5.
Moderate or rough.
Rain or drizzle at first, then fair.
Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwesterly backing southerly for a time, 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 in north later.
Moderate increasing rough.
Rain or drizzle later.
Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwesterly veering westerly, 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 at first in north, decreasing 5 or 6 later.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight to moderate later.
Rain or drizzle at first, then fair.
Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South or southwest 3 or 4, increasing 6 to gale 8, veering west 4 or 5 later.
Moderate becoming rough.
Rain or drizzle later.
Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West 4 or 5.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight.
Rain or drizzle at first, then mainly fair.
Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, backing southeasterly for a time, increasing 6 to gale 8, veering westerly, increasing gale 8 to storm 10 in north later.
Slight or moderate, but rough in northwest.
Showers then rain.
Good, becoming moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly, 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in north, decreasing 4 or 5 later.
Slight or moderate in east, but rough or very rough in north.
Squally showers.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly, backing southeasterly for a time, 4 or 5, increasing 7 to severe gale 9, perhaps storm 10 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far north.

Showers then rain.

Good, becoming moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly or westerly 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 at first, decreasing 5 or 6 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in north.

Squally showers.

Mainly good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly, backing southeasterly for a time, 4 or 5, increasing 7 to severe gale 9, perhaps storm 10 later.

Slight with shelter, otherwise moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in west.

Showers then rain.

Good, becoming moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly veering westerly, 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 at first, decreasing 5 or 6 later.

Rough or very rough.

Squally showers.

Moderate or good.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest, becoming cyclonic 5 or 6, increasing 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 later.

Slight or moderate north of skye, otherwise moderate or rough.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Cyclonic, becoming west, 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9, decreasing 5 or 6 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming very rough south of skye.

Rain then squally showers.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest, becoming cyclonic 5 or 6, increasing 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 later.

Rough or very rough.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Cyclonic, becoming west, 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9, decreasing 5 or 6 later.

Rough or very rough.

Rain then squally showers.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Saturday 03 Jul 2010 at 1800 UTC until Sunday 04 Jul 2010 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Slow moving low over Iceland, with a vigorous low expected to track northeast, passing to the northwest of Scotland on Sunday, with associated fronts pushing northeast over Shetland.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil at time of issue.

South 4 or 5.

Moderate, but rough in northwest.

Fair then occasional rain.

Good, occasionally moderate in rain later.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Sunday 04 Jul until 1800 UTC on Sunday 04 Jul:

South 4 or 5 backing southeast 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

Northwest to west 2 to 4, backing southwest by dawn, increasing 4 to 5 guernsey northwards by afternoon, becoming variable 2 near the brittany coast.

Slight, becoming moderate in the north in the afternoon.

Fair.

Good, locally moderate around awn.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 2 in the far south at first, otherwise southwest 3 to 5, veering west 2 to 4 overnight, further veering northwest during Monday morning.

Slight to moderate with a low swell.

Risk of patchy rain or drizzle, clearing by mid-morning.

Moderate to good, becoming moderate to poor for a time.

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