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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1800 UTC Thursday 03 November to 1800 UTC Friday 04 November
2011

General Situation

The British Isles will initially lie in a strong south to southeasterly airflow, although this will tend to weaken during the next 24 hours. A frontal system will remain slow-moving at first over eastern areas but will clear away eastwards during the course of Friday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 5 or 6 decreasing 3 or 4, then veering southwest later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in east.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first near Sutherland, veering northwesterly later in east.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first in east.

Rain at first in east, otherwise showers.

Moderate or poor at first in east, otherwise good.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southeast 5 or 6 decreasing 2 or 3, veering southwest 3 or 4 later.

Moderate, occasionally rough in north.

Rain or showers, fog patches.

Moderate, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest, veering northwest later, 3 or 4.

Rough at first in north, otherwise slight or moderate.

Rain then mainly fair.

Moderate or poor becoming moderate or good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, becoming variable 2 or 3 for a time later.

Moderate.

Rain or showers, fog patches.

Moderate, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South veering north or northwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.

Moderate becoming slight.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast becoming cyclonic, then becoming south later, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Slight or moderate.

Rain at times, occasionally thundery.

Moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 4 or 5 backing east 3, then backing north 4 or 5 later.
Moderate at first in north, otherwise slight.
Rain or showers.
Moderate or poor.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeasterly veering southerly 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough near eastern Norfolk.
Rain then showers, thundery at times.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly 4 or 5 backing easterly 3 or 4, then backing northeasterly 4 or 5 later.
Slight or moderate.
Showers then rain.
Moderate or good becoming moderate or poor.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeasterly veering southerly 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Moderate.
Rain then showers, thundery at times.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly backing northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first in east, decreasing 3 at times in west.
Slight or moderate.
Showers then rain.
Moderate or good becoming moderate or poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeasterly veering southerly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, veering northwesterly later in west.
Rough at first in west, otherwise moderate.
Rain or thundery showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly at first in east, otherwise northwesterly, 4 or 5, decreasing 3 for a time, veering northerly 5 or 6 later.
Slight or moderate.
Showers, rain later.
Good, occasionally poor later.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southeasterly veering northwesterly, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first in east, decreasing 3 for a time.
Very rough at first west of land's end, otherwise rough becoming moderate.
Thundery showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest veering north 5 or 6, occasionally 4 at first.
Slight or moderate.
Showers in east, fair in west.
Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southeasterly veering northwesterly, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first near pembrokeshire, decreasing 3 for a time.
Rough at first in west, otherwise moderate.
Thundery showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later in west.
Moderate, occasionally slight in Bristol Channel.
Fair in west, showers in east.
Moderate or good.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South or southeast 5 or 6 decreasing 2 or 3, then veering northwest 3 or 4 later.
Rough at first in south, otherwise slight or moderate.
Thundery showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.
Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South or southeast 5 or 6 decreasing 2 or 3, then veering west or northwest 3 or 4 later.
Slight or moderate.
Thundery showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or northwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.
Slight or moderate.
Showers.
Good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South or southeast 5 or 6 decreasing 3 or 4, veering west or southwest later.
Moderate becoming slight.
Showers, becoming fair later.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West veering north or northwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.
Slight, occasionally moderate.
Fair.
Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South or southeast 5 to 7 decreasing 3 or 4, then veering west or southwest later.
Moderate or rough becoming slight or moderate.
Showers.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest veering northwest 3 or 4.
Slight or moderate.

Showers then fair.
Good.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South or southeast 5 to 7 decreasing 3 or 4, then veering west or southwest later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first in North Channel.
Showers, occasionally thundery.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest veering northwest 3 or 4.
Slight, occasionally moderate in North Channel.
Showers then fair.
Good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South or southeast 5 to 7 decreasing 3 or 4, veering southwest 4 or 5 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in west.
Showers, occasionally thundery.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 4 or 5 veering west or northwest 3 or 4.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in west.
Showers, becoming fair later.
Good.

The Minch - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southeast 5 or 6 veering south or southwest 4 or 5, decreasing 3 for a time later.
Slight or moderate.
Showers.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.
Slight or moderate.
Showers.
Good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southeasterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first in south, veering southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5.
Moderate or rough, occasionally slight near Sutherland.
Showers.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.
Moderate or rough, occasionally slight near Sutherland.
Showers.
Good.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Thursday 03 Nov 2011 at 1800 UTC until Friday 04 Nov 2011 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A deep and complex depression to the west of the British Isles will move slowly northwest towards Iceland.

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

Southeasterly 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8 at first in the northeast.
Rough or very rough, but moderate just northwest of Shetland.
Rain or drizzle.
Moderate or poor.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Friday 04 Nov until 1800 UTC on Friday 04 Nov:

Southeasterly 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later in the northeast.
Rough or very rough, but moderate just northwest of Shetland.
Rain or drizzle.
Moderate or poor.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South to southeast 4 or 5 locally 6, veering west to northwest 3 or 4 later tomorrow afternoon.
Moderate to rather rough, decreasing slight to moderate later tomorrow.
Scattered showers, locally heavy with a risk of hail or thunder.
Good except in showers.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West to northwest 3 or 4, veering north to northeast overnight 2 to 4, increasing 5 to 7 during Saturday.
Slight with a swell becoming moderate to rather rough.
Scattered showers with a risk of thunder soon dying out rain during Saturday.
Good except in showers and rain.

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