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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore  
for the period 0600 UTC Wednesday 02 May to 0600 UTC Thursday 03 May 2018

#### General Situation

Low pressure will bring strong to gale force winds for a time, but winds will ease as pressure builds into Thursday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic, becoming west or southwest, 5 or 6, decreasing 4 at times.

Slight or moderate.

Rain then squally showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far northwest.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South veering northwest 5 or 6, becoming variable 3 or 4, then becoming west 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Slight or moderate.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, decreasing 3 at times.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth.

Occasional rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South, veering west or northwest, 5 or 6, becoming variable 3 or 4 at times.

Moderate becoming slight.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest, backing south, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South 5 to 7, veering west 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4 for a time.

Moderate becoming slight.

Rain at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable, mainly south or southwest, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, veering westerly or northwesterly 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first in east.

Occasional rain at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable, becoming southerly or southwesterly, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 6 to gale 8, veering westerly or northwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 3 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight.

Rain for a time at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable becoming southwesterly 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South 6 to gale 8, veering west or northwest 4 or 5, occasionally 3 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming smooth or slight.

Rain at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming southwest 4 or 5 for a time.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain later.

Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

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

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic 5 to 7, becoming westerly or northwesterly 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight.

Rain at first east of Lizard Point.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming southwesterly 4 or 5 for a time.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in lyme bay.

Rain at times, fog patches later.

Good, becoming moderate occasionally very poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic, becoming westerly or northwesterly, 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first.

Rain at first except in far west.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly 3 or 4, becoming southwesterly 4 or 5, then becoming variable 3 or less later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in shelter.  
Rain at times, fog patches later.  
Good, becoming moderate occasionally very poor.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
West or northwest, backing southwest later, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.  
Slight or moderate.  
Occasional rain at first, then squally showers.  
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
South or southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth later.  
Rain at times, fog patches later.  
Good, becoming moderate occasionally very poor.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Westerly or northwesterly, backing southwesterly later, 5 or 6, decreasing 4 at times.  
Slight or moderate.  
Rain at first except in northwest, squally showers developing.  
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth later.  
Rain at times, fog patches later.  
Good, becoming moderate occasionally very poor later.

Isle of Man - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Northwest 5 occasionally 6, backing west or southwest 4 or 5 later.  
Slight or moderate.  
Showers.  
Good, occasionally moderate in showers.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
South or southwest 4 or 5, decreasing 3 at times.  
Slight or moderate.  
Fair, then rain or drizzle at times.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
West or northwest, backing southwest later, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.  
Slight or moderate.  
Squally showers.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
South or southwest 4 or 5, decreasing 3 at times.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth.  
Rain at times.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Westerly or northwesterly, backing southwesterly later, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.  
Slight or moderate.

Squally showers.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Southwesterly backing southerly 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth.  
Rain at times.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Northwest backing southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.  
Slight or moderate, becoming rough in west.  
Squally showers, then rain at times.  
Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Southwest backing south 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4, then becoming south or southwest 5 or 6 later.  
Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.  
Rain at times.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Northwest, backing west or southwest, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.  
Slight or moderate.  
Squally showers, occasional rain later.  
Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, backing south and increasing 6 to gale 8 later.  
Slight or moderate.  
Rain at times.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Northwest, backing west or southwest, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.  
Moderate, becoming mainly rough.  
Squally showers, occasional rain later.  
Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, backing south and increasing 6 to gale 8 later.  
Moderate or rough.  
Rain at times.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland  
Valid Wednesday 02 May 2018 at 0600 UTC until Wednesday 02 May 2018 at 1800 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation  
Atlantic trough and associated low cross from the west early Wed, with a West-NW flow following later.

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

Southerly 5 to 7, becoming cyclonic 5 or 6, then westerly 4 or 5 later in west  
Moderate or rough  
Occasional rain  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1800 UTC on Wednesday 02 May until 0600 UTC on  
Thursday 03 May:

Cyclonic 5 or 6 at first in east, otherwise westerly 4 or 5  
Moderate or rough  
Occasional rain at first  
Good, occasionally moderate at first

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly 6 to 7, veering west to northwest 4 to 5 before midday, perhaps  
locally 6 until evening, decreasing 3 to 4 after midnight.  
Moderate to rather rough, occasionally rough north of jersey, decreasing  
moderate in the afternoon, perhaps locally rather rough, then slight to moderate  
overnight.  
Occasional rain, locally heavy, clearing around midday.  
Moderate to poor, becoming good around midday.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 2 to 4, backing westerly around midday, locally variable near the  
brittany coast, becoming generally southwest in the evening.  
Locally moderate at first, otherwise smooth or slight with a low swell.  
Fair, becoming cloudy, risk of a little drizzle Friday morning.  
Good, becoming moderate, perhaps poor.

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