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Here is the weather forecast for the inshore waters of Great Britain and Northern Ireland valid for the following 18 hours.

General Situation: low pressure slow moving to the west or northwest of Ireland throughout.

From Cape Wrath to Duncansby Head including Orkney.
Wind: south 4 or 5 veering west or southwest 5 to 7.
occasional rain.
Visibility: moderate or good.

Shetland.
Wind: south or southeast 3 backing north or northwest 5 or 6.
occasional rain then showers.
Visibility: moderate or good.

From Duncansby Head to Whitby.
Wind: south or southwest, veering west later, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 from Rattray Head to Whitby.
occasional rain.
Visibility: moderate or good.

From Whitby to North Foreland.
Wind: southwest 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 near North Foreland.
occasional rain.
Visibility: moderate or good.

From North Foreland to St. Catherine's Point.
Wind: southwest veering west 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9.
occasional rain then showers.
Visibility: moderate or good.

From St. Catherine's Point to Lands End.
Wind: southwest veering west 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9.
occasional rain then showers.
Visibility: moderate or good.

From Lands End to Colwyn Bay.
Wind: southwest veering west 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9.
rain then showers.
Visibility: moderate or good.

From Colwyn Bay to Mull of Kintyre including Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough.
Wind: southwest veering west 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9, but from Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough southwest veering west 5 to 7.
occasional rain then showers.
Visibility: moderate or good.

From Mull of Kintyre to Cape Wrath.
Wind: south or southwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7, becoming cyclonic 4 or 5 later.
occasional rain then showers.
Visibility: moderate or good.