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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1800 UTC Thursday 04 April to 1800 UTC Friday 05 April 2013

General Situation

An unseasonably cold northeasterly flow will be maintained between high pressure to the northwest of the United Kingdom and low pressure over the near Continent. The wind will always remain strongest across the south.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast becoming variable, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable becoming north or northeast, 3 or 4.

Slight becoming moderate.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast 4 or 5.

Slight, becoming moderate in south.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast backing west or northwest, 3 or 4.

Slight, occasionally moderate in south.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 4 or 5.

Moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 4 or 5, backing northerly 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 5 or 6.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in south.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 4 or 5, backing north 3 or 4.

Moderate, becoming slight later.

Fair.

Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in south at first, decreasing 3 or 4 later in north.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight later in north.

Wintry showers in south.

Good, occasionally moderate in south.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8 in east.

Moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8 in east at first, decreasing 4 or 5 later in west.

Moderate or rough.

Wintry showers in east.

Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 around headlands.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8 around headlands at first, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8 around headlands.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate in east, moderate or rough in west.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4, becoming variable later.

Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Good.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northeasterly 5 to 7.
Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northeasterly 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4, becoming variable 2 or 3 later.
Slight, occasionally moderate in south at first.
Fair.
Good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northeast 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight, occasionally moderate at first.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northeasterly 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or less.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6, backing north or northeast 3 or 4 later.
Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North or northeast 3 or 4, becoming variable 2 or 3 later.
Slight, becoming smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough
24 hour forecast:
Northerly or northeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in southeast, becoming variable 3 later in north.
Slight.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable becoming southerly, 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel
24 hour forecast:
Northeasterly 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northerly becoming variable then southerly, 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point
24 hour forecast:
North or northeast becoming variable, 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 3, becoming southerly 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good.

The Minch
24 hour forecast:
North or northeast 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less.
Smooth or slight.
Showers in far north.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable, becoming easterly in north later, 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight, becoming moderate in north.
Showers in north.
Good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath
24 hour forecast:
North or northeast 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less.
Smooth or slight.
Showers in far north.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 3 or 4, becoming easterly or northeasterly 4 or 5 later in north.
Smooth or slight, becoming moderate in north.
Showers in north.
Good.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Thursday 04 Apr 2013 at 1800 UTC until Friday 05 Apr 2013 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation
A ridge of high pressure extending southeast towards Shetland will gradually decline, with a depression expected to track east to the north of the area during Friday morning.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil.

Northeast 3 or 4, becoming mainly north or northwest 2 or 3.
Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Friday 05 Apr until 1800 UTC on Friday 05 Apr:

North or northwest 2 or 3, backing west 3 or 4 occasionally 5, then veering north or northwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 for a time in the northeast.

Slight or moderate, becoming mainly moderate.

Fair at first, occasional rain or showers developing.

Good, becoming moderate or good.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 6 to gale 8, locally 5 to 6 in the south of the area at first and in the north by Friday evening.

Moderate to rather rough in the south, rather rough to rough in the north.

Wintry showers in the north and west at first occasional rain or sleet in the south and east spreading northwest, becoming persistent and locally heavy at times from morning.

Moderate to good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 5 to 6, perhaps locally 7 at first, decreasing 4 to 5 by dawn and 3 to 4 Saturday afternoon.

Moderate to rather rough, locally rough at first becoming slight to moderate.

Rain or sleet, locally heavy at first, gradually clearing Friday night.

Moderate to poor in rain or sleet, becoming good.

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