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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1800 UTC Wednesday 04 February to 1800 UTC Thursday 05 February
2015

General Situation

A large area of high pressure will remain centred to the west of the United Kingdom with a ridge extending eastwards across Denmark.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 4 or 5, occasionally 3 in shelter.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north later.

Moderate or rough north and west of Orkney, otherwise slight.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 4 or 5, occasionally 3 in shelter.

Slight, occasionally moderate at first.

Occasional rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 3 or 4.

Slight.

Showers.

Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

North or northwest 4 or 5, decreasing 3.

Rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northeast 3 or 4.

Mainly slight.

Showers.

Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

North veering northeast 4 or 5, occasionally 3 later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 3 in north.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northwesterly veering northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.
Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later in south.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough in south.

Showers.

Good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northerly veering northeasterly 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 at times in shelter at first, but increasing 6 or 7 later, perhaps gale 8 in east.

Slight in shelter otherwise moderate.

Showers in east.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in east.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough.

Showers mainly in east.

Moderate or good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North veering northeast 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 at times in shelter at first, but occasionally 7 well away from shore later.

Slight in shelter otherwise moderate.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 near headlands.

Remaining smooth or slight in shelter, otherwise becoming moderate or rough.

Showers.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

North veering northeast 5 or 6, decreasing 4 at times in shelter at first, but occasionally 7 near headlands later.

Slight in shelter otherwise moderate.

Showers near Isles of Scilly.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 near headlands.

Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough.

Showers.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northeasterly, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west.

Slight in east and in shelter, otherwise moderate.

Showers in far west.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 4 or 5 veering northeast 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate in east, moderate or rough in west.
Showers mainly in west.
Good.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northerly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 near western headlands.

Mainly slight.

Showers later.

Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly veering northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 near western headlands.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North veering northeast 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

North, backing northwest for a time, 4 or 5, veering northeast 3 or 4 later.

Mainly slight.

Showers for a time.

Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or northeast 3 or 4 decreasing 2 or 3.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

North or northwest 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate in far northwest, otherwise smooth or slight.

Occasional drizzle.

Moderate or good.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northwesterly 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight.
Occasional drizzle.
Moderate or good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point

24 hour forecast:
North or northwest 3 or 4.
Smooth in shelter, otherwise slight or moderate.
Occasional rain.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North becoming variable 2 or 3, occasionally 4.
Smooth or slight in shelter, otherwise moderate.
Occasional drizzle.
Moderate or good.

The Minch

24 hour forecast:
Westerly or northwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in far north at first,
decreasing 2 or 3 later and becoming variable in south.
Smooth in shelter otherwise slight or moderate.
Occasional rain.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable becoming southwesterly 2 or 3, increasing 4 in north later.
Moderate in far north, otherwise smooth or slight.
Occasional drizzle.
Moderate or good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath

24 hour forecast:
Westerly or northwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in far north at first,
decreasing 2 or 3 later and becoming variable in south.
Moderate.
Occasional rain.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable becoming southwesterly 2 or 3, increasing 4 in north later.
Moderate or rough.
Occasional drizzle.
Moderate or good.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland

Valid Wednesday 04 Feb 2015 at 1800 UTC until Thursday 05 Feb 2015 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

The moderate, occasionally fresh, westerly flow continues as weak frontal troughs move east over Shetland.

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

Westerly 4 or 5.

Moderate.
Occasional rain. Fair later.
Mainly good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Thursday 05 Feb until 1800 UTC on Thursday 05 Feb:

Westerly 4 or 5.

Moderate, later rough.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeast to north 4 to 5, occasionally 6, increasing 5 to 6 Thursday afternoon.

Slight in the southeast, moderate occasionally rather rough in the north and west, increasing moderate to rather rough Thursday afternoon, locally rough in the north and west later.

Isolated wintry showers.

Good, moderate to poor in showers.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 5 to 6, occasionally 7 with gusts to 45kt, increasing 6 to gale 8 on Friday.

Moderate in the east, rather rough to rough in the north and west.

Scattered wintry showers, becoming isolated Friday morning.

Good, moderate to poor in showers.

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