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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1200 UTC Sunday 04 March to 1200 UTC Monday 05 March 2012

General Situation

An area of low pressure in the eastern channel will drift east and become slow moving over the near Continent leaving gales or severe gales in its wake. A ridge will build into western parts tomorrow.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest, 4 or 5, decreasing 3 at times.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight in Moray Firth, occasionally very rough later in north.

Occasional rain in east at first, wintry showers in north and west.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest, becoming variable, 3 or 4, then south 5 or 6 later.

Rough or very rough becoming moderate in north, slight or moderate in south.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 3, increasing 4 or 5, occasionally 6 for a time later in south.

Moderate, becoming slight.

Rain at first in east, otherwise fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or less for a time, then south 4 or 5 later.

Slight, occasionally moderate in north.

Fair.

Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming northwest 5 to 7.

Slight becoming moderate or rough.

Rain at first then fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming cyclonic 4 or 5, then north or northwest 6 to gale 8.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate or rough.

Rain, mainly fair later.

Moderate occasionally poor becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest 6 to gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight later.

Occasional rain in south until later, otherwise fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor in south.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly 3, becoming cyclonic 4 or 5, then northerly or northwesterly 6 to gale 8.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate or rough.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 for a time, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight later.

Rain at times, fair later.

Moderate or good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic 4 or 5, becoming northwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later in east.

Rain, becoming fair in west.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northwesterly 6 to gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Rough in east at first, otherwise slight or moderate.

Occasional rain in east until later, fair in west.

Moderate occasionally poor in east, otherwise good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic 5 to 7, becoming northwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 6 at times later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough for a time.

Rain at first in east, otherwise fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers until later.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 at first, decreasing 5 at times later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight later in syne bay.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far west.

Showers until later.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times later in east.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in west.

Showers.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North or northwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, decreasing 3 or less and becoming variable later.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.
Showers until later.
Good.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northwest 5 or 6.
Moderate.
Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest 5 or 6, becoming variable 3 or 4.
Moderate becoming slight.
Showers until later.
Good.

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

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or less.
Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.
Showers at first.
Good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Moderate.
Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest 5 or 6, becoming variable or south 3 or 4.
Slight or moderate.
Showers at first.
Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough
24 hour forecast:
Northwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.
Rough or very rough in north, slight or moderate in south.
Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or less for a time, then south 4 or 5 later.
Rough or very becoming moderate in north, smooth or slight in south.
Showers at first.
Good.

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

Channel - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly 3 or 4, backing southerly 5 or 6 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth for a time.

Showers at first.

Good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 for a time.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in west.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 3 or 4, backing south 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.

Rough or very rough, but moderate in sheltered east.

Showers at first.

Good.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest, veering northwest later, 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 for a time.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far south and far north.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 3 or 4, backing south 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far south and far north.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest, veering northwest later, 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7 for a time.

Rough or very rough, occasionally high.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 3 or 4, backing south 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Rough or very rough.

Mainly fair.

Good.

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

Valid Sunday 04 Mar 2012 at 1200 UTC until Monday 05 Mar 2012 at 0000 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Troughs will remain slow moving over the east Shetland Basin whilst ridge builds north over mainland Scotland, then Shetland and Faeroes on Monday.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil

Southwesterly 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 in west later.
Moderate or rough, but occasionally very rough at first.
Rain or showers, perhaps wintry later.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0000 UTC on Monday 05 Mar until 1200 UTC on Monday 05 Mar:
Southwesterly veering westerly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in west at first.
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough in west later.
Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Channel Islands - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northwest 7 to gale 8 with gusts to 50 knots for a time, decreasing 5 or 6 after midnight.
Rough or very rough, moderating after midnight.
Any rain, soon clearing isolated showers of rain or hail developing overnight.
Good, locally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 by Tuesday morning.
Rather rough, gradually decreasing moderate by Tuesday morning with a swell.
Risk of a shower at first.
Mainly good.

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