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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0000 UTC Thursday 05 March to 0000 UTC Friday 06 March 2020

General Situation

A complex, but initially weak area of low pressure will drift eastwards across southern England, but will deepen as it moves southeastwards into France, this bringing strong winds to English Channel coasts. Further north, slack pressure gradients will bring quiet conditions during the next couple of days.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in north.
Smooth or slight in south, moderate or rough in north.
Showers, mainly in north, where wintry.
Good, occasionally moderate in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest, backing southeast for a time, 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.
Smooth or slight in south, moderate or rough in north.
Showers, occasionally wintry.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later in north.
Smooth or slight.
Showers later.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in north, veering westerly or southwesterly 4 or 5 later, occasionally 6 in south.
Smooth or slight.
Showers.
Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming southwest 3 or 4 later.
Smooth or slight.
Mainly fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 3 or 4, veering west or southwest 4 or 5 later.
Smooth or slight.
Showers.
Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming northeasterly 4 or 5 for a time in south.
Slight.
Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less, becoming west 4 or 5 later.
Smooth or slight.
Showers.

Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly, backing northerly later, 3 to 5, increasing 6 for a time in south.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northwesterly, becoming variable, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first in south, becoming westerly 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.

Showers, fair later.

Good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic 3 to 5, becoming northeasterly, then backing northwesterly later, 5 or 6, occasionally 7, perhaps gale 8, for a time in east.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or drizzle, showers later.

Moderate or poor, becoming mainly good later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in east, becoming variable 3 or less, then northwesterly 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight for a time.

Showers.

Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6, then backing northwest 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or drizzle, showers later.

Moderate or poor, becoming mainly good later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or less for a time, then increasing 6 or 7 for a time later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth near shore.

Showers, fair later.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic 4 or 5, becoming north or northeast 5 to 7, backing west or northwest 4 or 5 later.

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

Occasional rain or drizzle, then showers.

Moderate or poor, becoming mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5, veering northwest 6 to gale 8 for a time.

Slight or moderate in east, moderate or rough in west, becoming very rough for a time west of the Lizard.

Showers, occasional rain at first.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northeast backing northwest, then west or southwest later, 4 or 5, increasing 6

at times.

Moderate or rough near Cornwall, otherwise slight or moderate.

Occasional drizzle then showers.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 4 to 6, veering northwest 6 to gale 8 for a time.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough except in Bristol Channel, occasionally very rough for a time near Cornwall.

Showers, occasional rain at first.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel

24 hour forecast:

Northeast backing north, then south or southwest later, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight in north, slight or moderate in south.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable, mainly southerly, 3 or 4, becoming northwesterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in south, then backing westerly 4 or 5 later.

Smooth or slight at first in north, otherwise slight or moderate, becoming rough for a time near St Davids Head.

Showers, occasional rain at first.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming west 4 or 5 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

Variable 2 or 3, becoming south or southwest 3 or 4 later.

Smooth or slight.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest, veering west or northwest, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming south or southwest 3 or 4.

Moderate or rough in far north, otherwise smooth or slight.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 3 or 4, veering west 4 to 6.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate, but moderate or rough west of Rathlin island.

Showers.
Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming southwesterly 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in North Channel.

Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 3 or 4, veering westerly 4 to 6 for a time.
Slight or moderate near the Mull of Kintyre, otherwise smooth or slight.

Showers.
Good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point

24 hour forecast:

Southwest, backing south later, 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.
Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 4 or 5, becoming cyclonic, then west, 5 to 7, then backing southwest 4 or 5 later.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Showers.
Good.

The Minch

24 hour forecast:

Southwest, backing south later, 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.
Smooth or slight in central areas, otherwise slight or moderate.

Showers, occasionally wintry in north.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 3 to 5, becoming cyclonic, then southwest later, 4 to 6.

Smooth or slight in central areas, otherwise slight or moderate.

Showers, occasionally wintry.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath

24 hour forecast:

Southwest, backing south later, 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.
Rough, occasionally moderate.

Showers, occasionally wintry in north.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 3 to 5, becoming cyclonic, then southwest later, 4 to 6.

Moderate or rough.

Showers, occasionally wintry.

Good, occasionally moderate.

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

Valid Thursday 05 Mar 2020 at 0000 UTC until Thursday 05 Mar 2020 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Complex low near Iceland maintains a showery southwesterly airstream across Shetland waters.

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

Southwest 4 or 5
Moderate or rough, but slight in sheltered eastern waters
Showers
Mainly good

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Thursday 05 Mar until 0000 UTC on Friday 06 Mar:

Southwest 4 or 5
Moderate or rough, but slight in sheltered eastern waters
Showers
Mainly good

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly or variable 2 to 4, becoming northeasterly 3 to 5 by dawn, backing northerly 5 to 6 by noon, perhaps occasionally 7, backing northwesterly by evening, decreasing 3 to 5 later.

Slight with a low swell, increasing moderate to rough by noon, decreasing slight to moderate with a low swell in the evening.

Patchy rain and drizzle, becoming widespread and persistent by dawn, locally heavy with mist or fog patches, clearing to isolated showers in the afternoon, dying out by midnight.

Moderate, occasionally poor or very poor, becoming good in the afternoon.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly 3 to 5, decreasing 2 to 4 for a time before dawn, increasing 5 to 7 by noon, decreasing 4 to 6 later.

Slight to moderate with a low swell, increasing moderate to rough by noon, decreasing moderate with a low to moderate swell in the evening.

Rain spreading in from the west before dawn, clearing to showers by noon, dying out in the evening.

Moderate to good, perhaps occasionally poor.

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