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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore  
for the period 0000 UTC Thursday 02 February to 0000 UTC Friday 03 February  
2017

#### General Situation

A deep Atlantic low will move northeastwards to the west of Ireland on Thursday, followed by another deep low moving northeastwards across southern parts of the United Kingdom later on Friday. These two lows will keep the weather very windy and unsettled across the British Isles.

#### Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeasterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later in east.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later near Orkney.

Occasional rain.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeasterly 6 to gale 8, veering southerly 5 to 7, then backing southeasterly 5 or 6 later.

Moderate or rough in Moray Firth, otherwise rough or very rough.

Occasional rain at first.

Good, occasionally moderate.

#### Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast 6 to gale 8, veering south 5 or 6, then backing southeast later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first in north.

Occasional rain at first.

Good, occasionally moderate.

#### Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.

Moderate, occasionally rough later.

Occasional rain, fair later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast 6 to gale 8, veering south 4 or 5, then backing southeast 6 or 7 later.

Moderate, occasionally rough at first.

Rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

#### Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 5 or 6, veering south 6 or 7 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming rough later in far north.

Occasional rain, fair later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 6 or 7, decreasing 4 or 5, then backing southeast 6 or 7 later.

Rough at first in far north, otherwise moderate, occasionally rough later.  
Rain later.  
Good, occasionally moderate later.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southeasterly 5 or 6, occasionally 4 at first.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain, fair later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, increasing 6 to gale 8 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming rough or very rough later in east.

Rain later.

Good, becoming moderate later.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly 5 or 6, veering southwesterly 5 to 7 later.

Moderate, occasionally rough in west.

Rain at times, showers later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 5 to 7, backing southeasterly 5 or 6, then veering southerly or southwesterly 7 to severe gale 9 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming very rough later.

Showers at first, rain later.

Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South 5 to 7, veering southwest 6 to gale 8 later.

Moderate becoming rough, occasionally very rough later.

Rain at times, showers later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest backing southeast 5 to 7, becoming cyclonic 7 to severe gale 9 later.

Rough or very rough.

Showers at first, then rain at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

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

24 hour forecast:

South 6 to gale 8, veering southwest 7 to severe gale 9.

Moderate or rough, becoming high later in west.

Rain at first, then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest becoming cyclonic 6 to gale 8, then becoming westerly or northwesterly 7 to severe gale 9 later.

High at first in west, otherwise rough or very rough.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southerly 6 to gale 8, veering southwesterly 7 to severe gale 9 in west.

Moderate or rough in Bristol Channel, otherwise rough or very rough, becoming high later in far west.

Rain at first, then showers.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
South or southwest 6 to gale 8, backing southeast 5 to 7, then veering west or northwest 7 to severe gale 9 later.  
High at first in far west, otherwise rough or very rough, but moderate or rough in Bristol Channel.  
Rain or showers.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Southerly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in west, veering southwesterly 7 to severe gale 9 later.  
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough in west, occasionally high later in far southwest.  
Rain then showers.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Southwest 7 to severe gale 9, backing southeast 5 or 6, then backing north or northwest 6 to gale 8 later.  
Very rough or high at first in west, otherwise moderate or rough.  
Showers at first, then rain at times.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Southeast 5 to 7, veering south or southwest 6 to gale 8 later.  
Slight or moderate in Liverpool Bay, otherwise moderate or rough.  
Fair at first, then rain or showers.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Southwest 6 to gale 8, backing southeast 4 or 5, then veering east or northeast 5 or 6 later.  
Slight or moderate in Liverpool Bay, otherwise rough becoming moderate.  
Showers, rain later.  
Moderate or good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
South 5 or 6, backing southeast 6 or 7, then veering south or southwest 7 or gale 8 later.  
Moderate becoming rough, occasionally very rough later.  
Fair at first, then occasional rain or drizzle.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Southwest 6 to gale 8, backing southeast 4 or 5, then backing east 5 or 6 later.  
Rough or very rough, becoming slight or moderate later.  
Occasional rain or drizzle.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
South 5 or 6, backing southeast 6 to gale 8, then veering south later.  
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later in southeast.  
Fair at first, then rain at times.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
South 6 to gale 8, veering southwest 5 or 6, then becoming cyclonic later.

Rough, occasionally very rough in southeast, becoming slight or moderate later.  
Rain or showers.  
Moderate or good.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South 5 or 6, backing southeast 6 to gale 8, then veering south later.

Slight or moderate in Firth of Clyde, otherwise moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later in North Channel.

Fair at first, then rain at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 6 to gale 8, veering southwest 5 or 6, then backing east or southeast later.

Slight or moderate in Firth of Clyde, otherwise rough or very rough, becoming slight or moderate later.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South 5 or 6, backing southeast 6 to gale 8.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later near Tiree.

Fair at first, then rain at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast veering southwest 6 to gale 8, backing southeast 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming very rough or high in northwest for a time.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South 5 to 7, backing southeast 6 to gale 8.

Moderate or rough.

Showers at first, then rain at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast 6 to gale 8, veering southwest 7 to severe gale 9, then backing south 5 to 7 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in south.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South 5 to 7, backing southeast 6 to gale 8.

Rough or very rough.

Showers at first, then rain at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast 6 to gale 8, veering southwest 7 to severe gale 9, then backing south 5 to 7 later.

Very rough or high.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

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

Valid Thursday 02 Feb 2017 at 0000 UTC until Thursday 02 Feb 2017 at 1200 UTC

## Shetland Isles

### General Situation

A strengthening southeasterly flow.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Southeasterly gale force 8 expected later (issued 01/1544 UTC).

Southeasterly 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8 in northeast.

Rough or very rough.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Thursday 02 Feb until 0000 UTC on Friday 03 Feb:

Southeasterly 6 to gale 8.

Rough or very rough.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

### Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South to southeast 6 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in the north and west from early morning, veering southwest by Thursday evening.

Moderate to rather rough, increasing rather rough to rough early morning, locally very rough in the north by Thursday evening.

Mist patches and occasional rain, persistent and heavier by dawn, clearing around midday scattered showers from mid afternoon.

Moderate to poor, occasionally good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 to 7, backing south to southeast towards dawn, increasing 7 to severe gale 9 by midday, veering westerly in the afternoon, decreasing 6 to gale 8 later Friday evening.

Rather rough to rough, locally very rough in the north, becoming rough to very rough in the afternoon.

Isolated showers until early morning outbreaks of rain spreading in from the southwest by dawn, locally heavy, clearing Friday evening.

Moderate to poor, occasionally good.

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