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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore  
for the period 0600 UTC Tuesday 01 January to 0600 UTC Wednesday 02 January  
2013

#### General Situation

A northwesterly airflow will become established across the British Isles today with a ridge of high pressure following from the west during Tuesday night. This in turn will be followed by an Atlantic front moving across all areas during the course of Wednesday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West veering northwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, then backing southwest 3 or 4 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in north.

Squally showers then fair, rain later in west.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 3 or 4 backing south 5 to 7, then veering west or southwest 6 to gale 8.

Moderate or rough, becoming very rough later north and west of Orkney.

Rain or drizzle, showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 near Rattray Head, decreasing 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers then fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 4 increasing 5 to 7, then veering west later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain then mainly fair.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 or 6, decreasing 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers then fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest, veering west later, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Slight or moderate.

Rain then mainly fair.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 5 or 6, decreasing 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers, becoming fair later.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.  
Slight or moderate.  
Rain for a time.  
Good, occasionally moderate.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Westerly 5 or 6, decreasing 4 at times later.  
Slight or moderate.  
Showers.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Westerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.  
Slight or moderate.  
Rain for a time.  
Good, occasionally moderate.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Westerly or northwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.  
Moderate, becoming slight or moderate.  
Showers, becoming fair later.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Northwesterly backing westerly or southwesterly, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in east.  
Slight or moderate.  
Rain or drizzle for a time.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
West or northwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.  
Moderate, becoming slight or moderate.  
Showers then fair.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
West or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first near headlands.  
Slight or moderate.  
Rain or drizzle for a time.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
West or northwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first, backing southwest 4 or 5 later.  
Slight or moderate in east, moderate or rough in west.  
Showers then fair.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
West or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.  
Rough at first west of land's end, otherwise slight or moderate.  
Rain or drizzle then fair.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
West or northwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first, backing southwest 4 or 5 later.  
Moderate, occasionally rough in west.  
Showers then fair, rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.

Moderate, occasionally rough in west.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 5 to 7, backing southwest 4 or 5 later.

Moderate, occasionally rough at first.

Showers then fair, rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.

Slight or moderate east of Anglesey, otherwise moderate.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 5 to 7, backing southwest 4 or 5 later.

Moderate, occasionally rough at first, becoming slight or moderate.

Showers, rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Slight or moderate.

Rain then drizzle.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 5 or 6, backing southwest 4 or 5 later.

Moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Moderate.

Rain or drizzle, becoming fair later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or northwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first in north, backing southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate in east, rough becoming moderate in north.

Squally showers, rain later.

Moderate or good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or drizzle, becoming fair later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or northwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first in north, backing southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5 later.  
Rough at first near the Mull of Kintyre, otherwise slight or moderate.  
Squally showers, rain later.  
Moderate or good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, veering west later.  
Slight or moderate.  
Rain or drizzle, becoming fair later.  
Moderate or poor, becoming good later.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
West or northwest 6 to gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5, then backing south 5 or 6 later.  
Rough or very rough becoming moderate or rough.  
Squally showers, rain later.  
Moderate or good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
South veering southwest 5 to 7, then veering west 4 or 5 later.  
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough later near Tiree.  
Rain or drizzle, becoming fair later.  
Moderate or poor, becoming good later.

The Minch - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
West or northwest 5 to 7 decreasing 3 or 4, then backing south 5 to 7 later.  
Rough or very rough at first in far north, otherwise moderate or rough.  
Squally showers, rain later.  
Moderate or good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
South veering southwest, then veering west later, 5 to 7.  
Moderate or rough, becoming rough or very rough later in far north.  
Rain or drizzle, becoming fair later.  
Moderate or poor, becoming good later.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
West or northwest 5 to 7 decreasing 3 or 4, then backing south 5 to 7 later.  
Rough or very rough, becoming moderate between barra and canna.  
Squally showers, rain later.  
Moderate or good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
South veering southwest, then veering west later, 5 to 7.  
Moderate or rough becoming rough or very rough.  
Rain or drizzle, becoming fair later.  
Moderate or poor, becoming good later.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland  
Valid Tuesday 01 Jan 2013 at 0600 UTC until Tuesday 01 Jan 2013 at 1800 UTC

Shetland Isles

#### General Situation

Low northeast of Shetland with series of troughs tracking across Shetland waters until a ridge builds from the west towards Wednesday.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Northwesterly gale force 8

expected soon

Westerly veering northwesterly 4, increasing 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later in west.

Moderate or rough.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1800 UTC on Tuesday 01 Jan until 0600 UTC on Wednesday 02 Jan:

Westerly or northwesterly 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 at first in west, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming very rough for a time in west and north.

Showers at first.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6, backing west or northwest 3 or 4 by Wednesday morning.

Rather rough becoming moderate.

Scattered rain or hail showers with a risk of thunder, dying out in the evening.

Good, except in showers.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 3 or 4, veering west 4 or 5 later in the afternoon.

Moderate, with a swell.

Occasional rain or drizzle, dying out by evening.

Good, locally moderate or poor in rain.

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