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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore  
for the period 1800 UTC Thursday 03 May to 1800 UTC Friday 04 May 2012

#### General Situation

Pressure will remain low to the south and southwest of the United Kingdom whilst pressure builds towards Iceland. A cold front will bring colder and showery weather southwards to most places during the next couple of days.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 3 or 4, veering north 5 to 7.

Smooth or slight in Moray Firth at first, otherwise moderate, occasionally rough later.

Rain then wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North backing northwest 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming north 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate, occasionally rough later in north.

Rain for a time, then wintry showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northeast 5 to 7, backing northwest 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 later.

Moderate becoming slight for a time.

Occasional rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 5 or 6, becoming variable 4 later.

Moderate or rough.

Showers then fair.

Mainly good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Mainly north 4 or 5, decreasing 3 for a time.

Moderate becoming slight.

Occasional rain, fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northeast 4 or 5.

Slight becoming moderate, occasionally rough later.

Rain or drizzle with fog patches, becoming mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Variable becoming northerly 3 or 4, veering northeasterly 4 or 5 later.

Moderate becoming smooth or slight.

Occasional rain, fog patches.

Moderate, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 4 or 5, increasing 6, occasionally 7 in south.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate.

Occasional rain, fog patches, becoming mainly fair later.

Moderate, occasionally very poor, becoming mainly good later.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

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

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain or showers, fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 5 to 7.

Smooth or slight, becoming mainly moderate.

Occasional rain, fog patches, becoming mainly fair later.

Moderate, occasionally very poor, becoming mainly good later.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

Variable, becoming mainly northeast 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain or showers, fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.

Occasional rain, fog patches, becoming mainly fair later.

Moderate, occasionally very poor, becoming mainly good later.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

Variable, mainly northeast 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain or showers, fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6.

Smooth or slight, becoming mainly moderate.

Occasional rain, fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain, fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later headlands.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate in west.

Occasional rain then fair.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Variable, mainly north 3 or 4, becoming northeast 4 or 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor in south.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.

Occasional rain then fair.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

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

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 4 or 5, increasing 6 for a time, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 3 or 4, veering northeast 4 or 5 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate later.

Fair then occasional rain.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, backing north or northwest 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight later.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly, veering northerly or northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in northwest.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in northwest.

Occasional rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in far northwest, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

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

Mainly fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly, veering northerly or northeasterly 4 or 5.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Northeasterly 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.  
Smooth or slight.  
Mainly fair.  
Good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Northwest 4 or 5, veering north or northeast 5 to 7.  
Slight or moderate.  
Occasional rain for a time.  
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
North or northeast 5 to 7, backing north or northwest 4 or 5 later.  
Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.  
Mainly fair.  
Good.

The Minch - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Northwest 4 or 5, veering north or northeast 5 to 7.  
Smooth or slight, becoming moderate, occasionally rough later in north.  
Occasional rain, then wintry showers.  
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
North or northeast 6 or 7, backing west 4 or 5 for a time.  
Slight or moderate becoming smooth or slight south of skye, moderate or rough north of skye.  
Wintry showers.  
Good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Northwest 4 or 5, veering north or northeast 5 to 7.  
Moderate, becoming rough.  
Occasional rain, then wintry showers.  
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
North or northeast 6 or 7, backing west 4 or 5 for a time.  
Rough, becoming moderate or rough.  
Wintry showers.  
Good, occasionally poor.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland  
Valid Thursday 03 May 2012 at 1800 UTC until Friday 04 May 2012 at 0600 UTC

#### Shetland Isles

##### General Situation

A broad trough lying close to Shetland at 1800UTC on Wednesday, will soon move away south, leaving a strong and unstable north to northeasterly flow in its wake.

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

North or northwest 3 or 4 becoming north 5 or 6 occasionally 7.  
Slight or moderate becoming moderate or rough.  
Outbreaks of rain clearing from the north then occasional showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Friday 04 May until 1800 UTC on Friday 04 May:

North 5 or 6 occasionally 7.

Rough.

Showers, wintry at times.

Moderate or good, but poor at times in wintry showers.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

Variable 1 to 3 becoming northeast 3 or 4 by midnight, increasing 4 or 5 tomorrow afternoon.

Smooth becoming moderate.

Mist or fog patches at first rain tomorrow afternoon.

Good locally moderate to very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 4 or 5, increasing 5 to 7.

Moderate becoming rather rough.

Outbreaks of rain.

Moderate locally poor or very poor.

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