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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0600 UTC Tuesday 05 February to 0600 UTC Wednesday 06 February
2013

General Situation

A deep area of low pressure will move southeastwards close to northeastern Scotland before moving southwards across western parts of the North Sea. As a consequence the very strong and cold westerly to northwesterly airflow currently affecting the British Isles will veer northerly during the course of today and early on Wednesday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest becoming cyclonic then north, 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 5 or 6 for a time.

Very high becoming high in north, otherwise moderate or rough, occasionally very rough.

Rain, snow or squally wintry showers.

Moderate to very poor, occasionally good in east.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

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

High becoming very rough in north, otherwise rough or very rough, occasionally moderate.

Squally wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 6 to gale 8 veering north 5 or 6, increasing 7 or gale 8 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later near Rattray Head.

Rain, snow or squally wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 6 to gale 8, backing northwest 5 or 6 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in far north and far south.

Showers, wintry and squally at times.

Good, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West backing southwest 6 to gale 8, then veering north 5 or 6, increasing 7 or gale 8 later.

Moderate, becoming rough later.

Rain, snow or wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North backing northwest 6 to gale 8.

Rough becoming very rough.

Squally wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West backing southwest 6 to gale 8, then veering north 5 to 7 later.

Moderate, becoming rough later.

Rain, sleet or wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North backing northwest 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 at times.

Rough becoming very rough.

Squally showers, wintry later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly 6 to gale 8 becoming cyclonic 5 to 7, then becoming mainly northerly 6 to gale 8 later, perhaps severe gale 9 later in south.

Moderate, becoming rough later.

Wintry showers then rain or sleet.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly backing northwesterly 6 to gale 8.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in north.

Squally showers, wintry later.

Good, occasionally poor.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly, veering northerly or northwesterly later, 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 later.

Moderate or rough.

Showers, wintry at first.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly 7 to severe gale 9 backing northwesterly 6 or 7.

Rough becoming moderate.

Squally showers, wintry later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West, veering northwest later, 6 to gale 8, increasing severe gale 9 at times.

Moderate or rough.

Squally showers, wintry at first.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 7 to severe gale 9 decreasing 5 or 6.

Moderate, occasionally rough at first.

Showers then fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Westerly veering northwesterly 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 at first in west.

Moderate or rough in east, very rough or high in west.

Squally showers, wintry at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Rough or very rough in far west, otherwise mainly moderate.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

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

24 hour forecast:

West veering northwest 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 at first near Cornwall.

High at first near Cornwall, otherwise rough or very rough.

Squally showers, wintry at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Rough or very rough becoming moderate.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

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

24 hour forecast:

West veering northwest 6 to gale 8, increasing severe gale 9 at times.

Rough or very rough.

Squally showers, wintry at first.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Rough or very rough becoming moderate.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

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

24 hour forecast:

West veering northwest 6 to gale 8, increasing severe gale 9 at times.

Moderate or rough.

Squally showers, wintry at first.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 6 to gale 8 decreasing 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight later in north.

Showers in south then fair.

Mainly good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 6 to gale 8 veering northwest 7 to severe gale 9.

Moderate or rough becoming rough or very rough.

Squally showers, wintry at first.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 6 to gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Rough or very rough becoming moderate.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 6 to gale 8 veering northwesterly 7 to severe gale 9, perhaps storm 10 for a time later in North Channel.

Moderate at first in east, otherwise rough or very rough, occasionally high in north.

Squally showers, wintry at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 6 to gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Rough or very rough becoming moderate.

Squally showers then fair.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

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

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 6 to gale 8 veering northwesterly 7 to severe gale 9, perhaps storm 10 for a time later in North Channel.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later in North Channel.

Squally showers, wintry at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 6 to gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Rough at first in North Channel, otherwise slight or moderate.

Squally showers then fair.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West veering north or northwest, 7 to severe gale 9.

High or very high becoming very rough or high.

Squally showers.

Moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

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

Very rough becoming moderate or rough.

Squally showers then fair.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest veering north 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 6 at times later.

High in far north, otherwise rough or very rough.

Rain or sleet then squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 6 to gale 8 backing northwest 4 or 5, decreasing 3 at times later.

Mainly moderate south of skye, rough or very rough north of skye.

Squally wintry showers, becoming fair later.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest veering north 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 6 at times later.

High or very high becoming very rough or high.

Rain or sleet then squally showers.

Moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 6 to gale 8 backing northwest 4 or 5, decreasing 3 at times later.

Very rough or high becoming rough or very rough.

Squally wintry showers, becoming fair later.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

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

Valid Tuesday 05 Feb 2013 at 0600 UTC until Tuesday 05 Feb 2013 at 1800 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Deep low between Faroe and Orkney will track over northeast Scotland this

morning then over the western North Sea near the east coast of England to reach Benelux on Wednesday.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Westerly violent storm force 11 (at time of issue)

West or southwest 7 to severe gale 9 at first in south otherwise cyclonic 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west, becoming north or northeast 7 to severe gale 9 later. Very rough or high occasionally rough in east. Showers, mostly clearing in south. Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1800 UTC on Tuesday 05 Feb until 0600 UTC on Wednesday 06 Feb:

North 7 to severe gale 9.
Very rough or high, occasionally rough at first in east.
Squally showers spreading south and turning wintry.
Moderate or good occasionally poor.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West to northwest 7 to gale 8 with gusts to 55kt, veering northwest to north overnight.

Rough to very rough, locally high.

Frequent squally rain or hail showers, locally with thunder, becoming isolated overnight.

Moderate to good except in showers.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest to north 7 to gale 8 with gusts to 50kt, decreasing 6 to 7 with gusts to 40kt during the morning, further decreasing 5 to 6 overnight then 4 to 5 later.

Rough to very rough becoming moderate to rather rough.

Scattered rain or hail showers, with a risk of thunder, dying out Wednesday afternoon.

Good except in showers.

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