

AND NOW THE SHIPPING FORECAST ISSUED BY THE MET OFFICE, ON BEHALF OF THE MARITIME AND COASTGUARD AGENCY, AT 0405 UTC ON SUNDAY 04 APRIL 2010 FOR THE PERIOD 0600 UTC SUNDAY 04 APRIL TO 0600 UTC MONDAY 05 APRIL 2010

THERE ARE WARNINGS OF GALES IN VIKING NORTH UTSIRE SOUTH UTSIRE TRAFALGAR FITZROY SOLE LUNDY FASTNET IRISH SEA SHANNON ROCKALL MALIN HEBRIDES BAILEY FAEROES AND SOUTHEAST ICELAND

THE GENERAL SYNOPSIS AT MIDNIGHT
LOW WIGHT 999 EXPECTED DENMARK 1011 BY MIDNIGHT TONIGHT. NEW LOW EXPECTED 300 MILES WEST OF SHANNON 978 BY SAME TIME

THE AREA FORECASTS FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS

VIKING NORTH UTSIRE SOUTH UTSIRE
SOUTHEASTERLY 6 TO GALE 8, DECREASING 4 OR 5. MODERATE OR ROUGH, BECOMING SLIGHT LATER IN NORTH UTSIRE. OCCASIONAL RAIN, SHOWERS LATER. MODERATE OR GOOD

FORTIES
SOUTHEAST 5 TO 7, BUT VARIABLE 4 FOR A TIME. SLIGHT OR MODERATE BUT ROUGH FOR A TIME IN NORTHEAST. RAIN FOR A TIME. MODERATE OR GOOD

CROMARTY FORTH TYNE
VARIABLE 3 OR 4, BUT NORTHWEST 5 FOR A TIME IN CROMARTY, BECOMING SOUTHEAST 5 TO 7 LATER. SLIGHT OR MODERATE. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

DOGGER
VARIABLE 4, BECOMING SOUTH 5 OR 6 LATER. SLIGHT OCCASIONALLY MODERATE. FOG PATCHES, RAIN LATER. GOOD OCCASIONALLY VERY POOR

NORTHEAST FISHER
EASTERLY 5 TO 7, BECOMING VARIABLE 4. SLIGHT OR MODERATE, BUT ROUGH FOR A TIME. OCCASIONAL RAIN. MODERATE OCCASIONALLY POOR

SOUTHWEST FISHER GERMAN BIGHT HUMBER
VARIABLE BECOMING SOUTHWEST 4, INCREASING 5 LATER IN HUMBER. SLIGHT, OCCASIONALLY MODERATE IN SOUTHWEST FISHER. RAIN OR SHOWERS, FOG PATCHES. MODERATE, OCCASIONALLY VERY POOR

THAMES DOVER WIGHT PORTLAND PLYMOUTH
NORTHWEST BACKING SOUTHWEST, BUT CYCLONIC AT FIRST IN THAMES, 5 OR 6, DECREASING 4 AT TIMES. SLIGHT OR MODERATE, OCCASIONALLY ROUGH IN WIGHT, PORTLAND AND PLYMOUTH. SHOWERS THEN FAIR. GOOD

BISCAY
NORTHWEST BACKING SOUTHWEST 5 OR 6, DECREASING 4 AT TIMES. MODERATE OR ROUGH, BUT VERY ROUGH FOR A TIME IN BISCAY. SHOWERS THEN FAIR. GOOD

FITZROY SOLE LUNDY FASTNET IRISH SEA
NORTHWEST 4 OR 5, BACKING SOUTH OR SOUTHWEST 6 TO GALE 8. MODERATE OR ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY VERY ROUGH IN FITZROY, SOLE AND FASTNET. SHOWERS THEN RAIN, EXCEPT IN FITZROY. MODERATE OR GOOD

SHANNON ROCKALL
SOUTH OR SOUTHWEST 4 OR 5, INCREASING 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9. ROUGH BECOMING VERY ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY HIGH LATER. RAIN AND DRIZZLE. MODERATE OCCASIONALLY POOR

MALIN HEBRIDES
VARIABLE 3 OR 4, BECOMING SOUTHEAST 6 TO GALE 8. MODERATE OR ROUGH,

OCCASIONALLY VERY ROUGH LATER. SHOWERS THEN RAIN. MODERATE OR GOOD

BAILEY

SOUTHEAST 4, INCREASING SOUTHEAST 6 TO GALE 8. ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY VERY ROUGH LATER. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

FAIR ISLE

CYCLONIC BECOMING SOUTHEAST 5 TO 7, PERHAPS GALE 8 LATER. MODERATE OCCASIONALLY ROUGH. RAIN OR SHOWERS. GOOD, OCCASIONALLY MODERATE

FAEROES SOUTHEAST ICELAND

WESTERLY OR NORTHWESTERLY 4 OR 5, BACKING EASTERLY OR SOUTHEASTERLY 6 TO GALE 8. MODERATE OR ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY VERY ROUGH LATER. RAIN OR WINTRY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD