

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 07 Jan 2021 until 23:59 on Friday 08 Jan 2021

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 06 Jan 2021 at 16:15 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for Thursday and Friday. High for less cold conditions to spread in from the Atlantic with rain and rising freezing levels over the weekend.

Headline for Thursday 07 Jan 2021: Very cold with snow showers.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 07 Jan 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood









Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
							
Heavy snow	Partly cloudy (night)	Light snow	Heavy snow showers	Light snow	Heavy snow showers	Heavy snow	Heavy snow
Precipitation probability							
80%	30%	40%	40%	30%	40%	40%	40%

Forecast for Thursday 07 Jan 2021

Weather: Persistent snow clearing an hour or two after midnight. Thursday will see occasional snow or hail showers, these most frequent along western coastal ranges and across Sutherland and Caithness.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Patchy cloud between 500 and 700 metres as showers run through, much of this along the west coast and Sutherland.

Visibility: Very good outside of showers and snow

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	18/21 NW	19/23 NW	17/20 N	17/20 N	20/24 N	22/27 N	23/29 N	27/33 N	24/30 N
900	16/19 NW	18/21 NW	15/18 N	15/18 N	17/21 N	20/25 N	21/26 N	25/31 N	22/29 N
600	7/10 NW	11/15 NW	8/11 N	8/11 N	9/12 N	14/19 N	14/19 N	16/22 N	15/22 N
300	3/13 NW	4/17 N	3/14 N	3/14 N	3/17 N	5/19 N	5/21 N	7/24 N	7/23 N
Glen	3/8 N	7/14 N	7/13 N	6/13 NE	4/11 N	7/17 N	8/19 N	12/25 N	10/23 N

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-2/-9	-3/-10	-4/-11	-4/-11	-4/-12	-5/-13	-6/-15	-7/-17	-7/-17
900	-2/-8	-2/-9	-3/-10	-4/-10	-4/-11	-4/-12	-6/-14	-6/-16	-7/-16
600	0/-3	-0/-5	-1/-5	-2/-6	-2/-6	-2/-8	-4/-10	-4/-11	-4/-11
300	1/-1	1/-2	-0/-2	-0/-2	0/-2	-1/-4	-1/-4	-2/-6	-2/-7
Glen	3/1	3/0	3/-0	2/-1	2/0	1/-2	1/-3	0/-5	-0/-5
Freezing Level*	500m	400m	300m	300m	300m	100m	00m	00m	00m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View**Forecast for Friday 08 Jan 2021**

Weather: A few light snow showers in the morning across the far north, otherwise dry and sunny.

Maximum wind: Northerly 20 mph

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Patchy cloud down to 500 metres in showers

Visibility: Excellent outside of showers

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 8 rising to minus 1 Celsius
At 800m: Minus 5 Celsius
Freezing level: 200 metres