

AND NOW THE SHIPPING FORECAST ISSUED BY THE MET OFFICE, ON BEHALF OF THE MARITIME AND COASTGUARD AGENCY, AT 0505 ON THURSDAY 04 SEPTEMBER 2008

THERE ARE WARNINGS OF GALES IN GERMAN BIGHT HUMBER THAMES DOVER WIGHT PORTLAND PLYMOUTH BISCAY AND FITZROY

THE GENERAL SYNOPSIS AT 0100

LOW FAIR ISLE 988 EXPECTED HEBRIDES 996 BY 0100 TOMORROW. LOW FORTIES 987 MOVING STEADILY NORTHEAST AND FILLING 994 BY SAME TIME. DEVELOPING ATLANTIC LOW MOVING RATHER QUICKLY SOUTHEAST EXPECTED SOLE 978 BY THAT TIME

THE AREA FORECASTS FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS

VIKING NORTH UTSIRE SOUTH UTSIRE
CYCLONIC 4 OR 5, INCREASING 6 AT TIMES IN NORTH UTSIRE AND SOUTH UTSIRE. MODERATE, OCCASIONALLY ROUGH IN SOUTH UTSIRE. THUNDERY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

FORTIES CROMARTY FORTH
CYCLONIC 3 OR 4, BUT 5 TO 7 AT FIRST IN SOUTH FORTIES AND FORTH, BECOMING VARIABLE LATER. SLIGHT OR MODERATE, BUT MODERATE OR ROUGH IN FORTIES. SQUALLY SHOWERS. GOOD

TYNE DOGGER
CYCLONIC 5 TO 7, BECOMING SOUTHWESTERLY 3 OR 4. SLIGHT OR MODERATE, BUT ROUGH AT FIRST IN DOGGER. SQUALLY SHOWERS. GOOD

FISHER GERMAN BIGHT
SOUTHWESTERLY 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8 IN GERMAN BIGHT, DECREASING 4 AT TIMES. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH, BECOMING MODERATE LATER. SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

HUMBER THAMES DOVER WIGHT PORTLAND
SOUTHWESTERLY 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8 AT FIRST, BACKING SOUTHERLY LATER. MODERATE OR ROUGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

PLYMOUTH BISCAY FITZROY
SOUTHWESTERLY 5 TO 7, BUT NORTHERLY OR NORTHWESTERLY 3 OR 4 IN SOUTH BISCAY AND SOUTH FITZROY AT FIRST, BECOMING CYCLONIC 6 TO GALE 8, PERHAPS SEVERE GALE 9, LATER. MODERATE OR ROUGH, BECOMING VERY ROUGH LATER. RAIN OR SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR LATER

SOLE LUNDY FASTNET
WESTERLY 4 OR 5, OCCASIONALLY 6 AT FIRST, BECOMING CYCLONIC 5 TO 7, PERHAPS GALE 8, LATER. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS THEN RAIN. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR LATER

IRISH SEA
WESTERLY 3 OR 4, OCCASIONALLY 5 AT FIRST, BACKING EASTERLY 5 TO 7 LATER. MAINLY MODERATE. SQUALLY SHOWERS. GOOD

SHANNON
WESTERLY 3 OR 4, OCCASIONALLY 5 AT FIRST, BECOMING CYCLONIC 5 TO 7, PERHAPS GALE 8 LATER. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS, RAIN LATER. MODERATE OR GOOD

ROCKALL MALIN
CYCLONIC BECOMING NORTH OR NORTHEAST 3 OR 4, INCREASING 5 AT TIMES, INCREASING 5 TO 7 LATER IN ROCKALL. MODERATE, OCCASIONALLY ROUGH AT FIRST IN ROCKALL. SQUALLY SHOWERS. GOOD

HEBRIDES BAILEY FAIR ISLE FAEROES SOUTHEAST ICELAND
CYCLONIC OR NORTHEASTERLY 5 TO 7, DECREASING 3 OR 4 AT TIMES.
MODERATE OR ROUGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. GOOD