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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1200 UTC Tuesday 04 April to 1200 UTC Wednesday 05 April 2017

General Situation

An area of high pressure will build across England and Wales, although a strong, showery westerly airflow will develop across the north of the United Kingdom, with gales or severe gales across the northern isles.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in north, veering northwesterly 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate throughout in Moray Firth, but in north, very rough becoming high or very high.

Squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly, backing westerly, 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate in Moray Firth, otherwise rough or very rough, but high at first in north.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate at first in north.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 or 5, veering west 5 to 7 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough near Rattray Head.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 5 to 7 decreasing 4.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first near Rattray Head.

Fair.

Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 3 at first, increasing 6 for a time in north.

Slight, occasionally moderate.

Fair.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 4 or 5, backing west 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North, backing northwest later, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, backing west later.

Slight, occasionally moderate in north.

Occasional rain then fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 4 or 5, decreasing 3 or less.

Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northwesterly, 3 or 4, increasing 5 for a time.

Slight, occasionally moderate in south.

Occasional rain then fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northwesterly, becoming variable, 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Northerly 3 or 4, increasing 5 for a time near North Foreland.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or showers then fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly, becoming variable, 3 or 4.

Slight occasionally moderate at first.

Fair.

Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming north 4 or 5 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4.

Slight, occasionally moderate at first.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

North 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate in east, mainly rough in west, but very rough at first near the Isles of Scilly.

Showers then fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North, becoming variable later, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.

Rough at first near the Isles of Scilly, otherwise slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first in west, backing northwesterly 3 or 4.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first near Lands End.

Showers then fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northwesterly, becoming variable later, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first near Lands End.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

North, backing northwest, 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first inear St Davids Head.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest, becoming variable later, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.

Slight occasionally moderate at first.

Fair.

Good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4 or 5.

Slight, occasionally moderate.

Showers then fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 4 or 5, backing west 3 or 4.

Slight occasionally moderate at first.

Fair.

Good.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 4 or 5, decreasing 3 for a time.

Slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 4 or 5, backing west 3 or 4.

Slight.

Fair.

Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or northwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 for a time in north.

Slight or moderate, but rough or very rough in north.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or northwesterly ,backing southwesterly later, 4 or 5.

In north, rough or very rough becoming moderate, but in east, slight, occasionally moderate at first.

Showers at first.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or northwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 for a time in the North Channel.
Slight or moderate, becoming rough near the Mull of Kintyre.
Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest, backing west, 4 or 5.
Rough at first near the Mull of Kintyre, otherwise slight or moderate.
Showers at first.
Good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first, veering northwest 4 or 5.
Rough or very rough.
Showers, squally for a time.
Good occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest, backing west, 4 or 5.
Rough or very rough becoming moderate.
Showers then fair.
Good.

The Minch - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in far north, veering
northwesterly 5 or 6 later.
Moderate or rough, but very rough for a time in far south and in far north,
becoming slight later in shelter.
Squally showers.
Good occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwesterly, backing southwesterly, 5 or 6, decreasing 4 for a time.
Rough at first in far south and in far north, otherwise slight or moderate.
Showers.
Good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in far north, veering
northwesterly 5 or 6 later.
High, becoming very rough later, but very high for a time in far north.
Squally showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwesterly, backing southwesterly, 5 or 6, decreasing 4 for a time.
Very rough becoming rough, occasionally moderate later.
Showers.
Good occasionally moderate at first.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Tuesday 04 Apr 2017 at 1200 UTC until Wednesday 05 Apr 2017 at 0000 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation
A very strong and unstable westerly airflow will affect the Shetland waters
during Tuesday.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Southwesterly gale force 8 increasing severe gale force 9 soon, veering westerly and increasing storm force 10 later, issued at 0339 on Tuesday 4 April.

Westerly or southwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 later in west and north.

Rough or very rough, but occasionally moderate near eastern coasts, then becoming high in west, north and south.

Squally showers.

Moderate or good, becoming moderate or poor except near eastern coasts.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0000 UTC on Wednesday 05 Apr until 1200 UTC on Wednesday 05 Apr:

Westerly gale 8 or severe gale 9, perhaps storm 10 for a time in west and north, then veering northwesterly 7 to severe gale 9 later.

Rough near eastern coasts, otherwise very rough or high, but becoming very high in west, north and south.

Squally showers.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good in east.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

North to northeast 3 to 4, occasionally 5.

Slight occasionally moderate.

Patchy light rain or drizzle until dawn Wednesday.

Good, occasionally moderate to poor at times.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly 3 to 4, occasionally 5, veering northeast by midnight, decreasing 2 to 3 during the morning.

Slight with a low swell.

Fair periods.

Good.

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