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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1800 UTC Saturday 04 December to 1800 UTC Sunday 05 December
2010

General Situation

Complex area of low pressure over the United Kingdom will move east with a cold northerly flow becoming established across the British Isles. Minor troughs will move south within this northerly flow.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North or northwest 5 to 7, backing west later, 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate in Moray Firth, otherwise moderate or rough, becoming very rough in north.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or northwesterly veering northerly later, 4 or 5, increasing 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 for a time.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in north.

Squally wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times.

Slight or moderate, becoming rough around Rattray Head.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough around Rattray Head.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest, 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest backing west 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, veering northerly later. Moderate.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest veering north or northwest, 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 later.

Slight or moderate.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

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

Moderate.

Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 4 or 5 in north, 5 to 7 in south, veering northwesterly 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in south.

Rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north at first, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers becoming mainly fair.

Mainly good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 5 to 7, veering northwesterly 3 or 4.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Rain or showers, becoming mainly fair later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly veering northeasterly, 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Mainly good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6, veering north 3 or 4.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Rain or showers, becoming fair later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North veering northeast, 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

West veering north 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.

Moderate or rough.

Rain or showers, becoming fair later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northeast 3 or 4, occasionally 5.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight in east.

Showers in far west, otherwise fair.

Good.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

Westerly veering northerly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in west.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northeast veering east, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.
Slight or moderate.
Showers in west, otherwise fair.
Mainly good.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel
24 hour forecast:
North or northwest 4 or 5.
Slight to moderate.
Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northerly or northeasterly 3 or 4, becoming variable 3, then southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in north later.
Slight, occasionally moderate in south.
Showers.
Mainly good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway
24 hour forecast:
Northwesterly veering northerly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in west.
Smooth or slight.
Showers, becoming mainly fair.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North 3, backing southwest 4 or 5, increasing 5 to 7, veering north later.
Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.
Mainly fair, rain or showers later.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

Isle of Man - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northwest veering north or northeast, 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 for a time.
Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate for a time.
Showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North 2 or 3, backing northwest 4 or 5.
Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate later.
Showers at first, occasional rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly or northwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in northwest.
Wintry showers.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 5 to 7, veering northerly 5 or 6 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in northwest.
Rain or squally wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northerly or northwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6, backing westerly later, 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.
Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly 3 or 4, occasionally 5, becoming cyclonic 5 to 7, then northerly 5 or 6 later.
Slight or moderate.
Rain or squally wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northerly or northwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in northwest, becoming variable 3, then westerly later, 4 or 5.
Moderate or rough.
Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly 4 or 5, becoming cyclonic 5 to 7, then northerly 5 or 6.
Slight or moderate.
Rain for a time, then wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
North 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4, backing west 5 or 6 later.
Slight or moderate, but moderate or rough north of skye.
Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly veering northerly 5 or 6, occasionally 7, perhaps gale 8 in north later.
Slight or moderate, but moderate or rough north of skye.
Rain or snow, then squally wintry showers.
Good, occasionally very poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
North 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4, backing west 5 or 6 later.
Moderate or rough.
Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly veering northerly 5 or 6, occasionally 7, perhaps gale 8 in north later.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in north later.
Rain or snow, then squally wintry showers.
Good, occasionally very poor.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Saturday 04 Dec 2010 at 1800 UTC until Sunday 05 Dec 2010 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation
A cold and quite strong North to NW'ly flow covers waters around Shetland.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil.

Northerly 5 to 7.

Rough.

Wintry showers. Becoming mainly fair.

Mainly good. Moderate or poor in wintry showers.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Sunday 05 Dec until 1800 UTC on Sunday 05 Dec:

Northwest 5 to 7.

Rough.

Wintry showers.

Mainly good. Moderate or poor in wintry showers.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South to southwest 6 to 7, locally gale 8, decreasing 5 to 6 this evening, veering north to northeast 3 to 4 guernsey northwards by dawn, and generally by midday.

Rather rough to rough, decreasing moderate during the morning.

Outbreaks of rain, locally heavy, clearing in the north later mist patches.

Moderate to good, locally poor at times.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 3 to 5.

Slight to moderate.

Rain in the south soon clearing risk of isolated showers.

Moderate to poor in the south at first, otherwise good.

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