

AND NOW THE SHIPPING FORECAST ISSUED BY THE MET OFFICE, ON BEHALF OF THE MARITIME AND COASTGUARD AGENCY, AT 0015 ON SUNDAY 04 MARCH 2007

THERE ARE WARNINGS OF GALES IN VIKING FORTIES CROMARTY FORTH TYNE DOGGER HUMBER PORTLAND PLYMOUTH BISCAY TRAFALGAR FITZROY SOLE LUNDY FASTNET IRISH SEA SHANNON ROCKALL MALIN HEBRIDES BAILEY FAIR ISLE FAEROES AND SOUTHEAST ICELAND

THE GENERAL SYNOPSIS AT 1800

LOW 300 MILES WEST OF FITZROY 984 EXPECTED ROCKALL 952 BY 1800 SUNDAY

THE AREA FORECASTS FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS

VIKING

SOUTHWEST 4 BACKING SOUTHEAST 6 TO GALE 8, PERHAPS SEVERE GALE 9 LATER. MODERATE OR ROUGH, BECOMING VERY ROUGH. SHOWERS, RAIN LATER. GOOD BECOMING MODERATE

NORTH UTSIRE SOUTH UTSIRE

SOUTHEASTERLY 5 TO 7, PERHAPS GALE 8 LATER. MODERATE OR ROUGH. SHOWERS. GOOD

FORTIES CROMARTY FORTH TYNE DOGGER

SOUTHWESTERLY 5 BACKING SOUTHEASTERLY 6 TO GALE 8, PERHAPS SEVERE GALE 9 LATER. MODERATE BECOMING ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. RAIN LATER. GOOD BECOMING MODERATE

FISHER GERMAN BIGHT

SOUTHWEST BACKING SOUTHEAST 4 INCREASING 6 OR 7, PERHAPS GALE 8 LATER. MODERATE OR ROUGH. RAIN LATER. GOOD BECOMING MODERATE

HUMBER

SOUTHWEST 4 BACKING SOUTHEAST 6 TO GALE 8, PERHAPS SEVERE GALE 9 LATER. SLIGHT OR MODERATE, BECOMING ROUGH. RAIN LATER. GOOD BECOMING MODERATE

THAMES DOVER WIGHT

SOUTHWEST, BACKING SOUTHEAST FOR A TIME, 4 INCREASING 6 OR 7, PERHAPS GALE 8 LATER. SLIGHT OR MODERATE, BECOMING ROUGH. RAIN LATER. GOOD BECOMING MODERATE

PORTLAND PLYMOUTH BISCAY

SOUTH OR SOUTHEAST VEERING SOUTHWEST 4, INCREASING 6 TO GALE 8, OCCASIONALLY SEVERE GALE 9 EXCEPT PORTLAND. ROUGH BECOMING VERY ROUGH OR HIGH. OCCASIONAL RAIN. MODERATE OR GOOD

TRAFALGAR

SOUTHWEST 6 TO GALE 8, BECOMING VARIABLE LATER. MODERATE OR ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY VERY ROUGH. OCCASIONAL RAIN. MODERATE OR GOOD

FITZROY SOLE

SOUTHEAST VEERING WEST 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9, OCCASIONALLY STORM 10, PERHAPS VIOLENT STORM 11 LATER IN SOLE. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH BECOMING HIGH. RAIN THEN SHOWERS. MODERATE OCCASIONALLY POOR

LUNDY FASTNET IRISH SEA

SOUTHEASTERLY VEERING SOUTHWESTERLY 4 OR 5, INCREASING 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9. MODERATE OR ROUGH, BECOMING VERY ROUGH OR HIGH. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

SHANNON

SOUTHEAST VEERING SOUTHWEST 6 TO GALE 8, INCREASING STORM 10 OR PERHAPS VIOLENT STORM 11 LATER. ROUGH BECOMING HIGH OR VERY HIGH. RAIN OR SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OCCASIONALLY POOR

ROCKALL

SOUTHEAST 5 BECOMING CYCLONIC GALE 8 TO STORM 10 OR PERHAPS VIOLENT STORM 11 LATER. ROUGH BECOMING HIGH OR VERY HIGH. RAIN OR SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OCCASIONALLY POOR

MALIN

SOUTH, BACKING SOUTHEAST FOR A TIME, 4 INCREASING GALE 8 TO STORM 10, PERHAPS VIOLENT STORM 11 LATER. ROUGH BECOMING HIGH. RAIN OR SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OCCASIONALLY POOR

HEBRIDES BAILEY FAIR ISLE FAEROES SOUTHEAST ICELAND

SOUTHWEST 4 OR 5, BACKING SOUTHEAST 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9, PERHAPS STORM 10 LATER. ROUGH BECOMING VERY ROUGH OR HIGH. SHOWERS, RAIN LATER. MODERATE OR GOOD