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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore from 1200 UTC to 1200 UTC

General Situation

Unsettled, especially in the north and west, as a pair of depressions approach rapidly from the Atlantic. Showers will turn increasingly to sleet and snow through the period.

From Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

Westerly, becoming cyclonic later, 4 or 5 increasing 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in north.

Wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in north.

Rattray Head to Berwick on Tweed

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Showers, becoming wintry.

Moderate or good.

Moderate or rough.

Berwick on Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Showers, becoming wintry.

Mainly good.

Moderate or rough.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Showers, becoming wintry.

Mainly good.

Moderate or rough.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 5 or 6, increasing 6 to gale 8 later.

Showers.

Mainly good.

Moderate or rough.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 5 or 6, locally 7 or gale 8 in Strait of Dover at first; increasing 7 or gale 8 later.

Rain or showers.

Mainly good, becoming moderate or poor for a time.

Moderate or rough.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 5 or 6, increasing 6 to gale 8 later.

Rain or showers.

Mainly good, becoming moderate or poor for a time.

Moderate or rough.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8.
Occasional rain then showers, becoming wintry later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in west later.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8.
Rain for a time then showers, becoming wintry later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.
Moderate or rough, becoming rough or very rough.

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

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, increasing 6 to gale 8.
Rain for a time then showers, becoming wintry later.
Moderate or good.
Moderate or rough.

Great Ormes Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first, increasing 6 to gale 8.
Rain for a time then showers, becoming wintry later.
Moderate or good.
Moderate or rough.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

West 5, increasing 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8, then decreasing 5 or 6 later.
Showers, turning wintry later.
Good, becoming moderate or poor in showers.
Moderate or rough.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 5 to 7, increasing 7 or gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in north, decreasing 5 or 6 later.
Showers, becoming wintry.
Moderate or good.
Moderate or rough in south, very rough or high in north.

The Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and the North Channel

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 5 to 7, increasing 7 or gale 8, decreasing 5 or 6 later.
Showers, becoming wintry.
Moderate or good.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in north.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point

24 hour forecast:

West 5 to 7, increasing 7 to severe gale 9, veering northwest 5 or 6 later.
Wintry showers.
Moderate or good.
Rough or very rough, occasionally high in west.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath including the Outer Hebrides

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 6 to gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5 for a time, occasionally severe gale 9 in south, veering northerly 5 or 6 later.
Wintry showers.

Moderate or good.
Rough or very rough, occasionally high in south.

Shetland Isles

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 5 or 6, becoming variable 3 or 4, then northeasterly 5 to 7 later.

Wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Rough or very rough.

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