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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0000 UTC Thursday 05 December to 0000 UTC Friday 06 December
2013

General Situation

A very rapidly developing low racing eastwards past northern Scotland tonight will be over southern Norway by midday tomorrow. A ridge of high pressure will build across the United Kingdom during Thursday and Friday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly veering northwesterly 7 to severe gale 9, increasing storm 10 or violent storm 11 for a time.

Rough or very rough, but in north, high or very high.

Rain then squally wintry showers.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 7 to severe gale 9, becoming variable 4.

Rough or very rough becoming moderate or rough, but in north, high or very high, becoming rough or very rough.

Snow showers, squally at first.

Good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest veering northwest 6 to gale 8, increasing severe gale 9 or storm 10 for a time.

Moderate in shelter otherwise rough or very rough.

Rain then squally wintry showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 6 to gale 8, becoming variable 4.

Rough or very rough, becoming moderate or rough.

Snow showers at first.

Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 to 7 increasing gale 8 or severe gale 9, veering northwest later.

Moderate or rough.

Rain then squally showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 6 to gale 8, becoming variable 4.

Moderate or rough, becoming rough or very rough.

Wintry showers at first.

Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest veering northwest 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 or severe gale 9 for a time.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough.

Occasional rain then wintry showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 7, becoming variable 4.
Moderate or rough, becoming rough or very rough.
Wintry showers at first.
Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 4 or 5 increasing 7 to severe gale 9, veering northwesterly later, then decreasing 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough except in shelter.

Rain for a time later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly 5 to 7, backing southwesterly 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough.

Showers.

Good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 3 or 4 backing westerly 6 to gale 8, veering northwesterly 5 to 7 later.

Slight, becoming moderate or rough.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly 5 to 7 backing southwesterly 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 3 or 4 backing west 6 to gale 8, veering northwest 5 to 7 later.

Slight, becoming moderate or rough.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 7 backing southwest 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 3 or 4 backing west 6 to gale 8, veering northwest 5 to 7 later.

Slight, becoming moderate or rough.

Mainly fair.

Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 7 backing southwest 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate in east.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 3 or 4 backing west 6 to gale 8, veering northwest 5 to 7 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough.

Drizzle later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 7 backing southwest 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 4 or 5 increasing 6 to gale 8, veering northwest and decreasing 5 to 7 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 7 backing southwest 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Showers.

Moderate or good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 5 or 6 increasing gale 8 to severe gale 9 then veering northwest, decreasing 5 to 7 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough except in shelter.

Occasional rain, then showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 7 backing southwest 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Showers then occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 6 or 7 increasing gale 8 or severe gale 9, veering northwest 5 to 7 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming rough or very rough.

Rain for a time, showers later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 7 decreasing 4 or 5, then backing west or southwest.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 5 to 7 veering westerly gale 8 or severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 in north for a time, veering northwesterly and decreasing 5 to 7 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming very rough or high in far northwest.

Occasional rain or squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest backing southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 for a time.

Moderate or rough, but very rough or high in far northwest at first.

Showers then rain.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 5 to 7 veering westerly gale 8 or severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 in north for a time, veering northwesterly and decreasing 5 to 7 later. Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest backing southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 for a time.

Moderate or rough.

Showers then rain.

Moderate or good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West veering northwest gale 8 to storm 10, decreasing 5 to 7 later.

Moderate in shelter, otherwise rough or very rough, but high or very high in west.

Rain then squally wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest backing southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 for a time.

Moderate or rough, but high or very high in west at first.

Wintry showers then rain.

Good becoming moderate or poor.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West veering northwest gale 8 to storm 10, decreasing 5 to 7 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming very rough or high in far south and far north.

Rain then squally wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest backing southeast 5 to 7, decreasing 4 for a time.

Moderate or rough, but very rough or high in far north, and at first in far south.

Wintry showers, then rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West veering northwest gale 8 to storm 10, decreasing 5 to 7 later.

High or very high, becoming very rough or high later.

Rain then squally wintry showers.

Moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest backing southeast 5 to 7, decreasing 4 for a time.

Very rough or high.

Wintry showers, then rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland

Valid Thursday 05 Dec 2013 at 0000 UTC until Thursday 05 Dec 2013 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A rapidly deepening depression will track quickly east across Shetland waters

early Thursday followed by a very cold northerly airflow.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Westerly gale force 8 increasing storm force 10 imminent, then increasing violent storm 11.

Westerly 6 to gale 8 becoming cyclonic gale 8 to storm 10, occasionally violent storm 11 for a time, becoming northwesterly later.

Very rough or high.

Rain then snow showers.

Moderate, occasionally poor or very poor.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Thursday 05 Dec until 0000 UTC on Friday 06 Dec:

Northwest gale 8 to storm 10.

Very rough or high, occasionally very high later.

Snow showers.

Moderate, occasionally poor or very poor.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North to northeast 3 to 4, backing northwest to west by morning, increasing 6 in the afternoon, locally 7 in the north of the area for a time, moderating towards midnight.

Slight to moderate, becoming rather rough or rough.

Fair becoming cloudy later Thursday with showery rain in the evening.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5, locally 6 at first, decreasing 2 to 4 by Friday morning, backing west to southwest by evening.

Moderate to rather rough, decreasing to become slight.

Fair risk of a shower at first.

Mainly good.

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