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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0600 UTC Sunday 05 January to 0600 UTC Monday 06 January 2014

General Situation

A very large and intense low in the Atlantic moves east towards the United Kingdom during today and Monday then northeastwards to the west of Scotland on Tuesday, filling slowly.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 4 or 5, backing southerly or southeasterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in north later.

Mainly slight in inner Moray Firth, otherwise moderate or rough, becoming very rough north of Orkney later.

Rain later then squally showers.

Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 6 to gale 8.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in far north.

Squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 4 or 5, backing south or southeast 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in north.

Rain later.

Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 6 to gale 8.

Moderate or rough.

Squally showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 or 5, backing south or southeast 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough.

Rain later.

Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 6 to gale 8.

Moderate or rough.

Squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 4 or 5, backing south or southeast 6 to gale 8.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later.

Rain later.

Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 6 to gale 8.
Moderate or rough.
Squally showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly 5 or 6, backing southerly or southeasterly 6 to gale 8, veering southwesterly later.
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later.
Rain then squally showers later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 6 to gale 8.
Moderate or rough.
Squally showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 4 or 5, occasionally 6, backing southerly or southwesterly 6 to gale 8.
Moderate or rough.
Rain then squally showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 later in east.
Rough, occasionally very rough later.
Squally showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 4 or 5, occasionally 6, backing south or southwest 6 to gale 8.
Moderate or rough.
Rain then squally showers later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 6 to gale 8.
Moderate or rough in shelter, otherwise rough or very rough.
Squally showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 4 or 5 at first in east, otherwise southerly or southwesterly 6 to gale 8.
Rough or very rough, occasionally high in far west.
Rain then squally showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 7 to severe gale 9.
Rough or very rough in lyme bay, otherwise very rough or high, becoming very high in far west.
Squally showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 6 to gale 8, but 4 or 5 at first in east.

Moderate in inner Bristol Channel at first, otherwise rough or very rough, becoming high in far west later.
Rain then squally showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
South or southwest 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 at first.
Rough or very rough in east, very rough or high occasionally very high in west.
Squally showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest 5 or 6, backing southeast 6 to gale 8, veering southwest 7 to severe gale 9 later.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in west.
Rain then squally showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
South or southwest 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10.
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough or high except in shelter.
Squally showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest 5 or 6, backing southeast 6 to gale 8, veering southwest 7 to severe gale 9 later.
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough.
Rain then squally showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southerly or southwesterly 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 in west.
Moderate or rough, becoming rough or very rough in west.
Squally showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Isle of Man - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South 5 or 6, backing southeast 6 to gale 8, then veering south or southwest later.
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later.
Rain then showers.
Good, becoming moderate or poor for a time.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
South or southwest 7 to severe gale 9.
Moderate or rough, becoming rough or very rough.
Showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southerly 5 or 6, backing southeasterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in north, veering southerly or southwesterly later.
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later except in shelter.
Rain then squally showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
South or southwest 7 to severe gale 9.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in east.

Squally showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 4 or 5 backing southeasterly 7 to severe gale 9, veering southerly or southwesterly later.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later.

Rain then squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 6 to gale 8.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in North Channel.

Squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South 5 or 6 backing southeast 7 to severe gale 9, veering south or southwest later.

Moderate or rough, but rough or very rough in northwest.

Rain then squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest, 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9.

Rough or very rough, becoming high or very high in northwest.

Squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southeast, veering southwest for a time later, 4 or 5 increasing 7 to severe gale 9.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9.

Moderate in shelter, otherwise rough, becoming very rough or high in far south.

Squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southeast, veering southwest for a time later, 4 or 5 increasing 7 to severe gale 9.

Rough or very rough.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9.

Rough or very rough, becoming high or very high.

Squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

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

Valid Sunday 05 Jan 2014 at 0600 UTC until Sunday 05 Jan 2014 at 1800 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Low pressure will move north past Shetland as a filling feature. Meanwhile, a deep low will track northeast over the Atlantic towards the northwestern UK.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Southeasterly severe gale force 9 at time of issue.

Variable 3 or 4 at first in west, otherwise cyclonic 4 or 5 becoming southerly 5 or 6.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first in northwest.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1800 UTC on Sunday 05 Jan until 0600 UTC on Monday 06 Jan:

South 5 or 6, backing southeast 7 to severe gale 9, veering south 6 to gale 8 later.

Rough or very rough, occasionally moderate at first in east.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South 4 or 5, soon increasing 6 or 7, locally gale 8 in the north by early afternoon, veering southwest after midnight and decreasing 5 or 6.

Rather rough to rough, locally very rough in the north.

Rain and drizzle from mid-morning, locally heavy in the afternoon and evening, clearing to showers before dawn.

Good, becoming moderate to poor in rain or drizzle.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 or 6, soon increasing 6 to gale 8, decreasing 5 or 6 again Tuesday morning.

Rather rough in the south, rough to very rough in the north, moderating a little on Tuesday.

Isolated showers, turning to rain Tuesday morning.

Moderate to poor in rain or showers, otherwise good.

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