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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1200 UTC Monday 03 January to 1200 UTC Tuesday 04 January 2011

General Situation

High pressure across southern parts of the United Kingdom will decline later today. Meanwhile, a deepening low pressure will become slow moving to the northwest of Scotland, introducing unsettled conditions with strong winds at times across northern areas at first, extending to all coasts later.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first in far northwest, decreasing 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough, but slight or moderate in Moray Firth.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in southeast, becoming variable 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough around Orkney.

Rain or squally showers, some wintry.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 5 to 7, decreasing 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough near Rattray Head.

Occasional rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 4 or 5 increasing 6 or 7 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6, increasing 7 for a time later.

Moderate, occasionally rough at first.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 5 or 6, increasing 7 at times.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest backing southwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5, increasing 6 or 7 at times later.

Moderate, occasionally rough at first in north.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain.
Moderate or good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest backing southwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5, increasing 6 at times later in north.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers, rain later in north.

Moderate or good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Variable becoming mainly southerly then westerly 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.

Slight, occasionally moderate later.

Showers, wintry at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Mainly southwesterly, backing southerly later, 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers, occasional rain later.

Moderate or good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

Mainly southeasterly becoming cyclonic then mainly westerly later 3 or 4, occasionally 5.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly backing southerly 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.

Mainly slight, becoming moderate.

Showers, occasional rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic becoming mainly northerly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in east, backing southwesterly 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers, wintry at first in east.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly backing southerly 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 at times.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later.

Showers, rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

Mainly east or northeast becoming variable then southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 later in west.

Slight or moderate, but mainly smooth in east.
Wintry showers at first.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Mainly southwest backing south 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Smooth in east at first, otherwise slight or moderate, occasionally rough later in west.
Showers, occasional rain later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Variable 3 or 4, becoming southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later in north.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate later in far north.
Mainly fair then rain later in north.
Mainly good, becoming moderate later in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 at times.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far south.
Occasional rain or showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6, perhaps 7 at times in north.
Smooth or slight, becoming moderate.
Occasional rain.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Mainly southwesterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7, decreasing 4 at times later.
Mainly moderate.
Occasional rain.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Isle of Man - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6.
Smooth or slight, becoming moderate.
Fair then occasional rain.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or southwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7, decreasing 4 or 5 later.
Moderate, occasionally rough.
Occasional rain, mainly fair later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwesterly 4 at first in southwest, otherwise 5 or 6, increasing 7 for a time in north.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later in north, but smooth at first in southeast.
Rain or squally showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later in northwest, decreasing 4 at times in north.
Moderate in southeast, but rough in north, occasionally very rough in northwest.
Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or 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, occasionally 6, increasing 7 for a time.

Slight, becoming moderate.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times.

Moderate, becoming rough through North Channel.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

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

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest, backing south later, 5 to 7, decreasing 4 for a time.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later in west.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6, but 7 or gale 8 for a time at first.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far north and far south.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly backing southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6, becoming variable 3 or 4 later in north.

Mainly moderate or rough, but occasionally slight at first.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 or 7 at first in east and occasionally gale 8 for a time at first in northeast.

Moderate or rough.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly backing southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6, becoming variable 3 or 4 later in north.

Rough, occasionally very rough later in south and west.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

Valid Monday 03 Jan 2011 at 1200 UTC until Tuesday 04 Jan 2011 at 0000 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A shallow, complex, low will remain near the Faeroes before deepening and drifting south during Tuesday.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil

Southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in southwest at first, veering westerly 3 or 4.

Rough becoming moderate or rough.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0000 UTC on Tuesday 04 Jan until 1200 UTC on Tuesday 04 Jan:

Westerly 3 or 4, becoming variable 3.

Moderate or rough becoming moderate.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

Southerly 3 or 4, locally 5 in west, increasing 4 or 5 in the afternoon, veering west to northwest 3 or 4 in west and north overnight.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain, becoming patchy overnight, with mist patches locally sleet or snow this afternoon and evening near french coasts.

Good, occasionally moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4, perhaps 5 at first, in southeast, otherwise northwest or north 2 to 4, backing west in the afternoon then southerly 3 to 4 Wednesday morning.

Slight to moderate.

Patchy rain at first and again on Wednesday morning risk of mist and coastal fog patches on Wednesday morning.

Good, perhaps poor or very poor at times on Wednesday.

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