

AND NOW THE SHIPPING FORECAST ISSUED BY THE MET OFFICE, ON BEHALF OF THE MARITIME AND COASTGUARD AGENCY, AT 0505 ON FRIDAY 05 FEBRUARY 2010

THERE ARE WARNINGS OF GALES IN VIKING NORTH UTSIRE SOUTH UTSIRE BISCAY FITZROY SOLE FASTNET SHANNON ROCKALL HEBRIDES BAILEY FAEROES AND SOUTHEAST ICELAND

THE GENERAL SYNOPSIS AT MIDNIGHT
ATLANTIC LOW 200 MILES WEST OF SHANNON 970 EXPECTED LUNDY 996 BY MIDNIGHT TONIGHT

THE AREA FORECASTS FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS

VIKING NORTH UTSIRE SOUTH UTSIRE
SOUTHEASTERLY 6 TO GALE 8, VEERING EASTERLY 5 TO 7, BUT DECREASING 4 IN NORTH UTSIRE. ROUGH OCCASIONALLY VERY ROUGH IN VIKING. RAIN AT TIMES. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR IN VIKING

FORTIES CROMARTY
SOUTHEAST 5 TO 7, PERHAPS GALE 8 LATER IN FORTIES. ROUGH. OCCASIONAL RAIN. MODERATE OCCASIONALLY POOR

FORTH TYNE DOGGER
SOUTHEAST 5 OR 6, DECREASING 3, BECOMING VARIABLE LATER. MODERATE OR ROUGH. OCCASIONAL RAIN, FOG PATCHES LATER. MODERATE OCCASIONALLY VERY POOR LATER

FISHER GERMAN BIGHT
SOUTHEAST 5 TO 7, PERHAPS GALE 8 LATER IN FISHER. MODERATE OR ROUGH. OCCASIONAL RAIN. MODERATE OCCASIONALLY POOR

HUMBER THAMES
SOUTH OR SOUTHEAST 5 OR 6, DECREASING 3, BECOMING VARIABLE LATER. SLIGHT OR MODERATE. RAIN AT FIRST, FOG PATCHES LATER. MODERATE OCCASIONALLY VERY POOR LATER

DOVER WIGHT PORTLAND
SOUTH OR SOUTHEAST 5 OR 6, DECREASING 4, BECOMING VARIABLE LATER, BUT CYCLONIC LATER IN PORTLAND. SLIGHT OR MODERATE, BECOMING ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH LATER IN WIGHT AND PORTLAND, OCCASIONALLY HIGH LATER IN PORTLAND. SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

PLYMOUTH
SOUTHWEST VEERING NORTHWEST LATER, BUT CYCLONIC FOR A TIME, 5 TO 7. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH, BECOMING HIGH OR VERY HIGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD OCCASIONALLY POOR

BISCAY
SOUTHWEST 6 TO GALE 8, PERHAPS SEVERE GALE 9 LATER. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH, BECOMING HIGH OR VERY HIGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR POOR

FITZROY SOLE
WEST OR SOUTHWEST 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9, OCCASIONALLY STORM 10 IN FITZROY, VEERING NORTHWEST 5 TO 7 LATER. HIGH OR VERY HIGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS, RAIN LATER. MODERATE OR POOR

LUNDY FASTNET
SOUTH BECOMING CYCLONIC 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8 AT FIRST IN FASTNET, BECOMING NORTH 5 LATER. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH OCCASIONALLY HIGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OCCASIONALLY POOR

IRISH SEA
SOUTH 5 OR 6, BACKING NORTHEAST 4. SLIGHT OR MODERATE, OCCASIONALLY

ROUGH IN SOUTH. RAIN THEN MAINLY FAIR. MODERATE OCCASIONALLY POOR

SHANNON

CYCLONIC BECOMING NORTHWEST 6 TO GALE 8, BECOMING VARIABLE 4 LATER.
VERY ROUGH OR HIGH, BECOMING VERY HIGH FOR A TIME IN SOUTH. SQUALLY
SHOWERS, FAIR LATER. MODERATE OCCASIONALLY POOR

ROCKALL MALIN

EAST 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8 IN ROCKALL, DECREASING 4. ROUGH OR
VERY ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY HIGH IN SOUTH ROCKALL. RAIN OR SHOWERS.
MODERATE OR GOOD

HEBRIDES BAILEY FAIR ISLE FAEROES SOUTHEAST ICELAND

NORTHEASTERLY 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8 EXCEPT IN FAIR ISLE. ROUGH
OR VERY ROUGH. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD