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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore  
for the period 1800 UTC Thursday 03 January to 1800 UTC Friday 04 January 2013

#### General Situation

A large area of high pressure will remain slow moving close to southern England with mild and moist southwesterly airflow affecting most areas.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times in east.

Slight or moderate in east, rough or very rough in north.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times in east.

Slight or moderate in east, rough or very rough in north.

Occasional rain or drizzle, mainly in north.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor in north.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or drizzle, becoming mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Slight, occasionally moderate.

Occasional rain or drizzle at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 4 or 5.

Mainly slight.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 4 or 5.

Mainly slight.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 4 or 5.

Mainly slight.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly 4 or 5.

Mainly slight.

Occasional drizzle, mainly in south.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor in south.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or southwesterly 4 or 5.

Mainly slight.

Occasional drizzle, mainly in south.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor in south.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or southwesterly 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate, but rough in west.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west.

Rough in west, otherwise slight or moderate.

Occasional drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly, backing southerly later, 4 or 5.

Moderate, becoming rough in west.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Southwest, backing south later, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 around headlands.  
Slight or moderate.  
Occasional drizzle.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
South or southwest 5 or 6.  
Slight or moderate.  
Occasional drizzle.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway  
24 hour forecast:  
Southwesterly 4 or 5.  
Slight or moderate.  
Occasional drizzle.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 for a time in north.  
Slight or moderate.  
Occasional drizzle.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Isle of Man - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.  
Slight or moderate.  
Occasional drizzle.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
South or southwest 5 or 6, occasionally 4 at first.  
Slight or moderate, becoming mainly moderate.  
Occasional drizzle.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Southwesterly backing southerly, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in north.  
Occasional drizzle.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Southerly 5 or 6, veering southwesterly 3 or 4 later.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in north.  
Occasional drizzle.  
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 backing southerly, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north.  
Slight or moderate.  
Occasional drizzle.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Southerly 5 or 6, veering southwesterly 3 or 4 later.  
Slight or moderate.  
Occasional drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly backing southerly, 5 or 6, occasionally 7 for a time.

Very rough in far west, otherwise moderate or rough.

Occasional drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in west, veering westerly 3 or 4 later.

Very rough in far west, otherwise moderate or rough.

Occasional drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in south.

Rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 5 to 7, veering southwest 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in south.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 to 7.

Rough or very rough.

Rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 5 to 7, veering southwest 4 or 5 later.

Rough or very rough.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

Valid Thursday 03 Jan 2013 at 1800 UTC until Friday 04 Jan 2013 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A deep low over the Norwegian Sea will continue to drift eastwards during tonight as a series of troughs cross Shetland.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Westerly gale 8

West 5 or 6, backing south 6 to gale 8 then veering west.

Rough or very rough.

Rain later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Friday 04 Jan until 1800 UTC on Friday 04 Jan:

West 6 to gale 8, backing southwest 5 or 6.

Rough or very rough.

Rain at first.

Moderate or good.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 3 or 4, perhaps 5 in the north at first, decreasing 2 or 3 by morning and backing southwest to south in the afternoon.

Slight, locally moderate at first.

Isolated patches of drizzle until midday.

Moderate to good, locally poor in drizzle.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South to southwest 2 or 3, locally 4 in the north.

Slight with a swell.

Mainly cloudy, risk of a little drizzle.

Moderate to good.

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