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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1800 UTC Sunday 03 January to 1800 UTC Monday 04 January 2016

General Situation

A deep area of low pressure gradually drifting eastwards will maintain the very unsettled and at times windy conditions across the United Kingdom during the next few days.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 7 to severe gale 9.

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

Rain.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or southeast 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.

Moderate or rough in north, otherwise rough or very rough.

Rain or sleet.

Moderate or poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9.

Very rough or high, occasionally very high at first near Rattray Head.

Rain.

Moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or southeast 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.

Very rough.

Rain.

Moderate or poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 6 to gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5 at times.

Rough or very rough, occasionally high for a time in north.

Rain.

Moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or southeast 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Rough or very rough.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southeast 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first.

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

Occasional rain, showers later.

Moderate or poor, becoming mainly good later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast 6 or 7, decreasing 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate in south, moderate or rough in north.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southeasterly 6 to gale 8, veering southwesterly 5 or 6.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough for a time in northeast.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or poor, becoming mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly backing southerly 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough offshore.

Showers, occasionally thundery in south.

Good, occasionally moderate.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, occasionally 4 at first.

Moderate or rough, becoming rough or very rough.

Rain then thundery showers.

Moderate or poor, becoming good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, decreasing 4 at times later.

Rough or very rough, becoming moderate or rough.

Thundery showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.

Moderate or rough, becoming rough or very rough.

Thundery showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 6 to gale 8, becoming cyclonic 4 or 5 later.

Rough or very rough, becoming moderate or rough.

Thundery showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

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

Rough or very rough, becoming very rough or high and very high for a time in far west.

Thundery showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest veering northwest later, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.

Very rough or high, becoming moderate or rough east of the Lizard.

Thundery showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 for a time in south.

Very rough or high and very high for a time in far southwest.

Thundery showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly veering northwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in southwest.

Rough or very rough, occasionally high in far southwest.
Thundery showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 5 or 6.

Moderate or rough, but very rough in far south.

Thundery showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South becoming cyclonic, then north later, 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first in south, becoming slight or moderate in north.

Thundery showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first.

Slight or moderate.

Rain then showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast backing east 5 or 6.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southeast 4 or 5, then backing east or southeast 5 or 6.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or southeast 5 or 6, backing east or northeast 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeasterly 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough.

Occasional rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly backing northeasterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in north.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southeasterly 5 to 7.

Moderate, occasionally rough in North Channel.

Occasional rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Easterly backing northeasterly 5 to 7.
Slight or moderate.
Rain or showers.
Moderate or good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
East or southeast 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.
Moderate or rough, but very rough in northwest.
Occasional rain or showers.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
East backing northeast, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.
Moderate or rough.
Occasional rain or showers.
Mainly good.

The Minch - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Easterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in north.
Moderate or rough, but very rough in far north and in far south.
Mainly fair.
Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Easterly or northeasterly 6 to gale 8.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.
Showers in north.
Good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Easterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in north.
Rough or very rough, occasionally high.
Mainly fair.
Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Easterly or northeasterly 6 to gale 8.
Rough or very rough, becoming moderate or rough later.
Showers in north.
Good.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Sunday 03 Jan 2016 at 1800 UTC until Monday 04 Jan 2016 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Low pressure over the British Isles maintains the very strong southeasterly flow across Shetland waters.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Southeasterly storm force 10.

Southeasterly 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 at first in south.
Very rough or high, but rough to the lee of Shetland.
Rain or sleet at times.
Moderate or poor.

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

Southeasterly 6 to gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5 in northeast.

Very rough or high, but rough to the lee of Shetland.

Rain or sleet at times.

Good, occasionally poor.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest to west 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 with gusts to 50kt, increasing 7 to gale 8 overnight, perhaps locally severe gale 9 for a time.

Rather rough to rough, becoming rough to very rough tonight, locally high.

Scattered blustery showers risk of hail and thunder.

Moderate to good, occasionally moderate to poor in showers.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest to west 6 to 7, locally gale 8 at first with gusts to 50kt, decreasing 4 to 5 mid-channel by dawn, veering west to northwest and generally decreasing 4 to 5 by evening.

Rough to very rough, locally high at first, becoming rather rough to rough by morning.

Scattered blustery showers risk of hail and thunder.

Moderate to good, occasionally moderate to poor in showers.

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