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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1200 UTC Thursday 02 January to 1200 UTC Friday 03 January 2014

General Situation

A rapidly deepening Atlantic low will move quickly northeastwards to the northwest of the United Kingdom later today and into Friday, maintaining the unsettled and very windy conditions.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 5 or 6, backing southeast 6 to gale 8 later.

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

Rain or showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast becoming cyclonic, 7 to severe gale 9, then southwest 5 to 7 later.

Rough or very rough, but moderate in Moray Firth.

Rain or squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 or 6, backing south or southeast 6 to gale 8 later.

Moderate or rough.

Showers, rain for a time later.

Good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South veering southwest, 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 5 to 7 later.

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

Rain or squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

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

Moderate, occasionally rough later.

Showers, rain for a time later.

Good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South veering southwest, 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 5 to 7 later.

Moderate, occasionally rough at first.

Rain or squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 or 6, backing south 6 to gale 8 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later.

Rain for a time later.

Good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South veering southwest, 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 5 or 6 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Rain or squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 5 or 6, backing southerly 6 to gale 8 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming rough later in east.

Rain for a time later.

Good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly veering southwesterly 7 to severe gale 9, then backing southerly 5 to 7 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in east.

Squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly, backing southerly for a time 5 to 7, increasing 7 or gale 8 later.

Moderate or rough.

Showers, rain for a time later.

Good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 7 to severe gale 9, backing southerly 6 or 7 later.

Rough or very rough, becoming moderate or rough later.

Squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6, increasing 7 or gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later.

Showers, rain for a time later.

Good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 5 or 6 later.

Rough or very rough, becoming high for a time.

Squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 or 6, backing south 6 to gale 8, then veering southwest 7 to severe gale 9 later.

Moderate or rough in lyme bay, otherwise rough or very rough, becoming high later in far west.

Rain then squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest gale 8 to storm 10, decreasing 6 or 7.

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

Squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 or 6, backing south 6 to gale 8, then veering southwest gale 8 to storm 10 later.

Moderate or rough at first in east, otherwise rough or very rough, becoming high later in far west.

Rain then squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly gale 8 to storm 10, occasionally violent storm 11 at first in west, decreasing 6 or 7 later.

Rough or very rough in east, otherwise very rough or high, becoming very high for a time in far 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 south 6 to gale 8, then veering southwest gale 8 to storm 10 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming rough or very rough, then high in west later.

Showers, rain for a time, then squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly gale 8 to storm 10, occasionally violent storm 11 at first in west, decreasing 6 or 7 later.

Rough or very rough in east, very rough or high in west, occasionally very high in southwest.

Rain or squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly, backing southeasterly for a time, 5 to 7, increasing 7 to severe gale 9 later, occasionally storm 10 later in west.

Slight or moderate becoming rough later in Liverpool Bay, otherwise moderate or rough becoming rough or very rough later.

Showers, rain for a time later.

Good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 at first, decreasing 5 or 6 later.

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

Rain or squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest, backing southeast for a time, 5 or 6, increasing gale 8 to storm 10 later.

Moderate, becoming rough or very rough.

Rain for a time, then squally showers later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest gale 8 or severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 at first, decreasing 5 or 6 later.

Rough or very rough, becoming moderate or rough.

Squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

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

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in southeast and far northwest.

Showers, rain for a time later.

Good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 at first, decreasing 5 or 6 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in southeast and far northwest at first.

Rain or squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

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

Moderate, becoming rough later.

Showers, rain for a time later.

Good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South veering southwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 5 or 6.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest backing south or southeast 5 to 7, increasing 7 to severe gale 9.

Moderate or rough, becoming very rough later in west.

Showers, rain for a time later.

Good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South veering southwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 5 to 7 later.

Rough or very rough in east, very rough or high in west.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

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

Moderate or rough, becoming rough or very rough in far south later.

Showers, rain for a time later.

Good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast becoming cyclonic 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 at first, then southwest 5 to 7 later.

Moderate or rough, but rough or very rough in far south.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

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

Rough, becoming very rough later in southwest.

Showers, rain for a time later.

Good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast becoming cyclonic 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 at first, then southwest 5 to 7 later.

Rough or very rough, occasionally high in southwest.

Rain or squally showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Thursday 02 Jan 2014 at 1200 UTC until Friday 03 Jan 2014 at 0000 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Complex area of low pressure will remain slow moving to the west of Scotland with a series of frontal troughs moving across Shetland over the next few days.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Southeasterly

Southerly or southwesterly 5 or 6, but southeasterly 7 or gale 8 in northeast at first.

Rough or very rough, but high in northeast at first.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0000 UTC on Friday 03 Jan until 1200 UTC on Friday 03 Jan:

South 5 or 6 backing southeast 7 or gale 8 then veering south 5 to 7 later.

Rough or very rough.

Showers then rain for a time.

Moderate or good.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly 4 to 5 increasing 6 to 7 this evening, occasionally gale 8 in the north, veering southwest overnight, further increasing 7 to gale 8 in the morning, locally 9 mid-channel later.

Moderate to rather rough becoming rough to very rough, and high in the north of the area later.

Occasional rain this evening scattered rain or hail showers tomorrow.

Good except in rain or showers.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 7 to severe gale 9 decreasing 6 to 7 in the evening, backing southerly 5 to 6 around midnight, veering southwest to west 4 to 5 Saturday morning.

Rough in the south to high in the north becoming moderate to rather rough with swell.

Scattered showers, prolonged Saturday morning.

Good except in showers.

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