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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore  
for the period 1800 UTC Saturday 03 January to 1800 UTC Sunday 04 January 2015

#### General Situation

An anticyclone moves east across the UK tonight. Atlantic low pressure systems will bring strong winds to the north and west of the UK from tomorrow.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, backing southwest 5 or 6.

Slight in sheltered south, otherwise moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest, backing south, 5 or 6, veering west 4 or 5 later.

Slight in sheltered south otherwise moderate or rough.

Showers, then occasional rain.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first near Rattray Head, backing southwest 5 or 6.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first near Rattray Head.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest, backing south, 5 or 6.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 5 or 6, backing southwest 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate, becoming rough for a time in south.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest, backing south, 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Northwest, backing southwest, 4 or 5.

Mainly slight near shore, otherwise moderate or rough.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest, backing south, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly, backing southwesterly, 4 or 5.

Smooth in Thames estuary, otherwise slight or moderate.

Rain at first.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 5 or 6.

Smooth in Thames estuary, otherwise slight or moderate.

Overnight fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

North 4 or 5, becoming variable 3.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight.

Rain at first.

Moderate, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3, becoming south 4 or 5.

Slight, occasionally moderate in west.

Occasional drizzle later.

Good, occasionally poor later.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 4 or 5, veering southeast 3 or 4.

Rough at first in south, otherwise slight or moderate.

Rain at first.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast 3 or 4, veering southwest 4 or 5.

Slight, occasional moderate.

Occasional drizzle.

Good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

West 5 or 6, backing southeast 4 or 5, veering southwest 3 or 4 later.

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

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first in west.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly, veering southeasterly, 4 or 5.

Smooth or slight inner Bristol Channel, otherwise moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeasterly, veering southerly or southwesterly, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later in far west.

Smooth or slight inner Bristol Channel, otherwise moderate, occasionally rough at first in west.

Occasional rain or drizzle.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later in northwest.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first in south.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southeasterly 5 or 6.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain and drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

Variable, mainly north, 3 or 4, becoming south or southeast 4 or 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

North or northwest, 3 or 4, becoming variable 2 or 3, then south or southwest 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth for a time.

Mainly fair, occasional rain later.

Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 4 or 5, increasing 5 or 6.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain.

Moderate, occasionally poor.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming south 5 or 6 later.

Moderate, occasionally rough in northwest, otherwise smooth or slight.

Occasional rain or drizzle later.

Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South, veering northwest later, 5 or 6.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or 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:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming southerly 5 or 6 later.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate near Mull of Kintyre.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly, veering northwesterly later, 5 or 6.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later near Mull of Kintyre.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly, backing southwesterly, 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 later.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly, backing southerly, 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in north.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4 or 5, backing southwest 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Slight becoming moderate, but rough in far north and far south.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest or southwest 6 to gale 8.

Moderate, occasionally rough.

Rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4 or 5, backing southwest 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Rough, occasionally very rough in north and west.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest or southwest 6 to gale 8.

Rough, occasionally very rough in north and west.

Rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

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

Valid Saturday 03 Jan 2015 at 1800 UTC until Sunday 04 Jan 2015 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A transient ridge of high pressure builds over Shetland on Saturday giving an unstable NW flow.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Severe gale force 9 veering northwesterly and decreasing gale force 8 imminent.

Northwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in the far south at first.

Rough, but very rough in the west at first, moderate in the sheltered east later.

Wintry showers at first soon becoming fair.

Moderate in showers otherwise good.

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

Northwest backing southwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in the southwest later.

Rough but moderate in sheltered east.

Showers.

Mainly good.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest to west 5 to 6, locally 7 at first, decreasing 2 to 4 by midnight and veering northeast to east, further veering southeast 2 to 4 around dawn, but remaining variable in the south of the area.

Rough, moderating overnight to becoming slight.

Occasional rain or drizzle mostly clearing.

Moderate to good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly 2 to 4.

Slight with swell.

Rather cloudy risk of a little rain and fog patches near french coasts Monday morning.

Good, becoming locally moderate overnight, perhaps very poor Monday morning.

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