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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0600 UTC Wednesday 02 February to 0600 UTC Thursday 03 February
2011

General Situation

Deep areas of low pressure near Iceland will bring windy and unsettled weather across the United Kingdom over the next few days.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, decreasing 4 for a time, veering west later.

Moderate in Moray Firth, otherwise moderate or rough, but rough or very rough north and west of Orkney.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 6 to gale 8, backing south gale 8 to storm 10, occasionally violent storm 11 in north, veering west later.

Moderate in Moray Firth, otherwise rough or very rough, but very rough or high north and west of Orkney.

Squally wintry showers, rain for a time.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, decreasing 4 for a time, veering west 7 to severe gale 9 later.

Moderate, occasionally rough near Rattray Head.

Rain, then squally showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9, backing south gale 8 to storm 10, veering west later.

Moderate or rough, increasing rough or very rough.

Squally wintry showers, rain for a time.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, decreasing 4 for a time, veering west 7 to severe gale 9 later.

Moderate.

Rain then fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 5 to 7, backing south 7 to severe gale 9 for a time.

Moderate or rough.

Mainly fair, rain later.

Moderate or good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in north.

Moderate.

Occasional rain then fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 5 to 7, backing south 7 to severe gale 9 for a time.

Moderate or rough.

Rain for a time.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 to 7, veering west 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate.

Fog patches for a time, occasional rain, then fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5, backing southwest 6 to gale 8, occasionally 9 in north.

Moderate, occasionally rough in north.

Mainly fair, rain in north later.

Moderate or good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 4 or 5, backing southwest 5 to 7 for a time.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough.

Fog patches at first, occasional rain, then fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5, backing southwest 6 to gale 8.

Moderate increasing rough or very rough.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 4 or 5, backing southwest 5 to 7 for a time.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough.

Fog patches at first, occasional rain, then fair.

Moderate or poor, occasionally very poor, becoming moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5, backing southwest 6 to gale 8.

Moderate or rough.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

West 4 or 5, backing southwest 5 to 7 for a time.

Slight or moderate in east, moderate or rough in west.

Fog patches at first, occasional rain then fair.

Moderate or poor, occasionally very poor at first, becoming moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly 4 or 5, backing southwesterly 6 to gale 8.

Moderate or rough but very rough in west.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 to 7, veering west 4 or 5 later.

Moderate, becoming rough in west.

Occasional rain, then fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly 4 or 5, backing southwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in north.

Moderate in east, rough or very rough in west.

Rain later.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 6 to gale 8, veering west 5 or 6 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough.

Occasional rain, fair later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 5 to 7, backing southwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 5 or 6 later.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 6 to gale 8, veering west 5 to 7 later.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain, mainly fair later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 5 to 7, backing southwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 5 or 6 later.

Moderate or rough.

Rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 6 to gale 8 decreasing 5 or 6 later.

Moderate or rough.

Rain, showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 or 6, increasing 7 to severe gale 9 for a time.

Moderate or rough.

Showers or rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, decreasing 4 for a time, veering west later.

Slight or moderate, but rough or very rough in north, and occasionally rough in far south.

Rain, showers later.

Good, becoming moderate or poor for a time.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 5 to 7, backing southwest 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 in north for a time.

Rough, but very rough or high in north.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, decreasing 4 for a time, veering west later.

Moderate, occasionally rough in south and far northwest.

Rain, showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 5 to 7, backing southwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 5 or 6 later.

Moderate or rough, but very rough in far northwest.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, decreasing 4 for a time, veering west later.

Moderate or rough, but very rough or high in north and west.

Rain the showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 6 to gale 8, increasing gale 8 to storm 10, occasionally violent storm 11 in west.

Very rough or high.

Squally wintry showers, then occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, decreasing 4 for a time, veering west 7 to severe gale 9 later.

Moderate or rough, but very rough or high in far south and far north.

Rain then squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 7 to severe gale 9, increasing severe gale 9 to violent storm 11.

Moderate or rough, but very rough or high in south and far north.

Squally wintry showers, then occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, decreasing 4 for a time, veering west 7 to severe gale 9 later.

Very rough or high.

Rain then squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 7 to severe gale 9, increasing severe gale 9 to violent storm 11.

High or very high.

Squally wintry showers, then occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

Valid Wednesday 02 Feb 2011 at 0600 UTC until Wednesday 02 Feb 2011 at 1800 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Deep low expected to track northeast into Iceland by Wednesday evening with a series of associated frontal troughs crossing over the Shetland area.

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

Southerly or southeast 6 to gale 8 veering southwest 5 to 7, occasionally 4 in the east later.

Rough or very rough but high in the north and west and occasionally moderate in the lee of east Shetland.

Rain later mainly fair.

Good, occasionally moderate or poor at first.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1800 UTC on Wednesday 02 Feb until 0600 UTC on Thursday 03 Feb:

Southwest 5 to 7, occasionally 4 in the east veering westerly gale 8 later perhaps severe gale 9 in the west.

Rough or very rough but high in the north and west, later very high in the west.

Fair soon rain or showers, later squally wintry showers.

Good becoming occasionally moderate or poor.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 3 in the south to 5 in the north of the area, increasing 4 to 6 by early afternoon, veering west 4 late evening and decreasing 3 to 4 by morning. Slight, becoming moderate and rather rough in the north for a time.

Mist and fog patches clearing this morning rain and drizzle from late afternoon, clearing by late evening.

Moderate to very poor at first, and this evening, otherwise moderate to good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 3 to 4, backing southwest 4 to 5 in the afternoon, increasing 5 to 7 later. Slight to moderate with swell, becoming moderate in the south to rough in the north.

Fair to cloudy.

Mainly good.

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