

## Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart  
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Wednesday 03 Feb 2021 until 23:59 on Thursday 04 Feb 2021

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 02 Feb 2021 at 17:17 by Met Office Aberdeen

**Confidence:** High for cold and windy conditions. Medium for snow amounts.

**Headline for Wednesday 03 Feb 2021:** Occasional snow showers. Severe gales, wind chill and blowing snow.

### Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 03 Feb 2021

**Blizzards**

Low Likelihood

**Gales**

High Likelihood

**Thunderstorms**

No Likelihood

**Heavy Snow**

No Likelihood

**Severe chill effect**

High Likelihood

**Heavy persistent rain**

No Likelihood

**Storm force winds**









Medium Likelihood

**Poor visibility**

Medium Likelihood

**Strong sunlight**

No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
							
Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Light snow showers	Light snow showers	Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
30%	30%	30%	30%	50%	50%	40%	30%

### Forecast for Wednesday 03 Feb 2021

**Weather:** Occasional bright or clear spells and a scattering of snow showers. The best of the brightness over Skye and around the west coast. However, gales or severe gales over the summits with severe wind chill and blowing snow.

**Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m:** 70%, patches or extensive cloud near or above the summits, lowering significantly in snow showers.

**Visibility:** Very good, but poor or very poor in snow showers and blowing snow.

**Forecast for Wednesday 03 Feb 2021**

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
<b>1000</b>	65/75 E	59/71 E	58/70 E	54/66 E	52/64 E	50/63 E	49/61 E	47/59 E	45/57 E
<b>900</b>	63/74 E	57/69 E	54/67 E	50/63 E	49/61 E	47/59 E	45/57 E	45/57 E	43/55 E
<b>600</b>	44/56 E	41/54 E	40/53 E	38/51 E	38/51 E	36/49 E	34/46 E	31/44 E	31/44 E
<b>300</b>	16/53 E	14/49 E	14/49 E	13/46 E	13/45 E	14/44 E	13/42 E	13/40 E	13/40 E
<b>Glen</b>	30/56 E	29/54 E	29/53 E	28/51 E	27/49 E	26/47 E	24/44 E	22/42 E	22/41 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
<b>1000</b>	-7/-20	-6/-20	-6/-19	-6/-19	-6/-19	-6/-19	-7/-19	-7/-19	-7/-19
<b>900</b>	-6/-19	-6/-18	-6/-18	-6/-18	-6/-17	-6/-17	-6/-18	-6/-18	-6/-18
<b>600</b>	-3/-14	-3/-13	-3/-13	-3/-13	-3/-13	-3/-13	-4/-13	-4/-13	-4/-13
<b>300</b>	-1/-7	-1/-7	-1/-7	-1/-6	-0/-6	-1/-6	-1/-7	-2/-7	-2/-8
<b>Glen</b>	1/-6	1/-6	2/-6	2/-6	2/-5	2/-5	1/-5	1/-6	1/-6
<b>Freezing Level*</b>	00m	00m	00m	00m	100m	100m	00m	00m	00m

\*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

**Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View**

Significant winter hazards at height due severe gales, wind chill and blowing snow.

**Forecast for Thursday 04 Feb 2021**

**Weather:** Occasional bright or clear spells and snow showers. Severe wind chill, blowing snow and temporary blizzard conditions at height.

**Maximum wind:** East or Northeast 30 to 40 gusting 60mph.

**Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m:** 60%, occasional or extensive cloud around the summits, lowering in showers. The best chance over Skye and around the west coast.

**Visibility:** Very good, but poor or very poor in snow showers and blowing snow.

**Temperature:** **Glens:** Minus 3 to Plus 1 Celsius  
**At 800m:** Minus 5  
**Freezing level:** All levels.