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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1800 UTC Monday 02 May to 1800 UTC Tuesday 03 May 2016

General Situation

An active cold front will clear southeastwards this afternoon with, a ridge of high pressure to follow. Squally winds initially will moderate in most places, with lighter winds and mainly dry weather over the bulk of the country in the coming few days.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7 around showers.

Slight at times in Moray Firth, otherwise moderate or rough.

Squally showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly backing southerly 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times.

Slight at times in Moray Firth, otherwise moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in north.

Squally showers, occasional rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 or 6.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time.

Slight, occasionally moderate at first.

Squally showers at first.

Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 5 or 6, decreasing 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 4 or 5, but variable 3 for a time.

Slight becoming smooth.

Squally showers at first.

Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 4 or 5, increasing 6 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5, becoming southwest or variable 3 or 4.

Slight becoming smooth.

Showers at first.

Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 or 6, veering westerly or northwesterly 4 or 5, decreasing 3 later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain, then mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or northwesterly 4 or 5, becoming southerly or variable 3 or less.

Slight occasionally smooth.

Showers.

Good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly, veering westerly, 4 or 5, decreasing 3 and becoming variable later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain, then mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4.

Slight, occasionally smooth.

Fair.

Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good, .

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest or variable 3 or 4.

Slight, occasionally smooth.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

West 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Moderate, occasionally rough in far west, but becoming slight in lyme bay.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest or variable 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far west.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or variable 3 or 4.
Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Good.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 or 7 in north.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.
Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West backing south 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.
Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or southwest 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4.
Moderate or rough, occasionally slight.
Squally showers.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West backing south 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight or moderate.
Showers at first.
Good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or southwest 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4.
Mainly moderate, becoming rough for a time.
Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or southwest 5 or 6.
Mainly moderate.
Showers.
Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in far northwest, decreasing 3 or 4 later.
Moderate or rough, occasionally slight.
Showers.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly backing southerly 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times later.
Rough in far north, otherwise slight or moderate.
Squally showers at first.
Good.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first.
Squally showers.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly, backing southerly, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth.
Squally showers.
Good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West backing southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 for a time.
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough in west.
Squally showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest backing south 5 to 7.
Moderate in shelter, otherwise rough or very rough.
Showers, rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 around showers.
Moderate or rough, occasionally slight in sheltered central areas.
Squally showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, backing south 6 to gale 8 later.
Slight or moderate.
Squally showers, occasional rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 around showers.
Rough becoming very rough.
Squally showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, backing south 6 to gale 8 later.
Very rough becoming rough.
Squally showers, occasional rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

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

Valid Monday 02 May 2016 at 1800 UTC until Tuesday 03 May 2016 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Low east of Iceland moves slowly north rest of Monday then returns southwest towards Iceland on Tuesday.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil

Southwest 4 or 5, but 6 for a time in north and far west.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first in far west.
Showers.
Good occasionally moderate.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Tuesday 03 May until 1800 UTC on Tuesday 03 May:

Southwest 5 or 6, occasionally 4 at first.

Moderate or rough becoming very rough in west.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly, locally westerly in the south at first, 4 to 5, perhaps occasionally 6 this evening, decreasing 2 to 4 by dawn, backing northwest to west by midday.

Slight to moderate, becoming smooth or slight Tuesday morning.

Outbreaks of rain and drizzle in the southeast of the area soon clearing this evening to become fair or fine.

Good, locally moderate to poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest to west 1 to 3, locally 4 in the north at first, becoming variable overnight, then southeast by morning and increasing 2 to 4, backing east in the afternoon.

Smooth or slight with a decreasing swell.

Fair or fine.

Good.

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