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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1200 UTC Sunday 01 January to 1200 UTC Monday 02 January 2012

General Situation

A strong westerly or southwesterly airflow covers the United Kingdom. A deepening area of low pressure will approach from the southwest on Tuesday, potentially bringing stormy conditions for a time. The low is expected to be centred near Orkney by midday Tuesday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Rough or very rough in north, otherwise slight or moderate.

Squally showers, wintry later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 for a time, becoming cyclonic 7 to severe gale 9 later, perhaps storm 10 later.

Moderate south of Wick, otherwise rough or very rough, occasionally high.

Squally showers, wintry at times, rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 6 to gale 8.

Slight or moderate.

Showers, wintry later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest, veering west later, 6 to gale 8, veering west 7 to severe gale 9, perhaps storm 10 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming rough or very rough.

Showers, wintry at first, rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers, wintry later, rain for a time.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest, veering west later, 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 later.

Moderate or rough, but slight at first.

Showers, wintry at first, rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7.

Slight or moderate.

Showers, rain for a time.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest, veering west later, 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9

later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later.
Showers, wintry at first, rain later.
Moderate or good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwesterly 5 or 6, but 4 for a time in north.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain, fair later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwesterly 5 or 6, increasing 7 or gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough.
Fair then rain or showers.
Moderate or good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwesterly 5 to 7, veering westerly 5 or 6.
Moderate or rough.
Rain or squally showers, drizzle for a time.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly 5 or 6, backing southwesterly gale 8 or severe gale 9, perhaps storm 10 later.
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough.
Rain or squally showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest 5 to 7, veering west 5 or 6.
Moderate or rough.
Rain or squally showers, drizzle for a time.
Moderate or good, but poor for a time.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West 5 or 6, backing southwest gale 8 or severe gale 9.
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough.
Showers, squally for a time, rain later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest, veering west, 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.
Moderate or rough becoming rough or very rough, occasionally high later in far west.
Rain or squally showers, drizzle at first.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8, backing southwest gale 8 or severe gale 9, then veering west 6 to gale 8 later.
Rough or very rough, occasionally high west of the Lizard peninsula.
Showers, squally at times, then rain.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest, veering west, 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.
Rough or very rough, but moderate for a time in the Bristol Channel.

Squally showers, rain at first.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8, backing southwest gale 8 or severe gale 9, then veering west 6 to gale 8 later.
Rough or very rough, occasionally high in west.
Showers, squally at times, then rain.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest 5 or 6, veering west 6 or 7.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in south.
Squally showers, rain at first.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West 6 or 7, backing southwest gale 8 or severe gale 9, then veering west 6 to gale 8 later.
Rough or very rough.
Rain or squally showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest 5 to 7, veering west 6 or 7.
Moderate or rough.
Squally showers, rain at first in south.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West 6 or 7, backing south or southwest 7 to severe gale 9, then veering west 6 to gale 8 later.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough.
Rain or squally showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Isle of Man - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest 5, increasing 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8 later.
Moderate becoming rough.
Showers.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or southwest 7 or gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 later.
Rough, occasionally very rough.
Showers, rain for a time.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwesterly 5 to 7, veering westerly 6 to gale 8.
Moderate or rough, but very rough, occasionally high in north.
Squally showers, becoming wintry.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly 6 to gale 8, backing southerly or southwesterly 7 to severe gale 9 for a time, perhaps storm 10 for a time later in north.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough, but very rough, occasionally high in north.
Rain or squally wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 5 to 7, veering westerly 6 to gale 8.

Moderate or rough.

Squally showers, becoming wintry.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly 6 to gale 8, backing southerly or southwesterly 7 to severe gale 9 for a time, perhaps storm 10 for a time later in north.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough.

Rain or squally wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 6 to gale 8, veering west 7 or gale 8.

Very rough or high, occasionally very high later near Tiree.

Squally, wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 6 to gale 8, backing south 7 to severe gale 9, then veering west 7 to severe gale 9, perhaps storm 10 for a time later.

Very rough or high, occasionally very high near Tiree.

Squally, wintry showers, rain for a time.

Moderate or poor.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 6 to gale 8.

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

Squally, wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 6 to gale 8, becoming cyclonic 7 to severe gale 9, perhaps storm 10 for a time later, then becoming northwesterly 6 to gale 8 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough or high in south and far north, and very high for a time in far south.

Squally, wintry showers, rain for a time.

Moderate or poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 6 to gale 8.

Very rough or high, becoming very high.

Squally, wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 6 to gale 8, becoming cyclonic 7 to severe gale 9, perhaps storm 10 for a time later, then becoming northwesterly 6 to gale 8 later.

Very high, becoming high, occasionally very rough later.

Squally, wintry showers, rain for a time.

Moderate or poor.

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

Valid Sunday 01 Jan 2012 at 1200 UTC until Monday 02 Jan 2012 at 0000 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Complex low pressure near Iceland will maintain the strong southwesterly airflow across Shetland.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil.

Southwest 5 to 7.

Rough or very rough, but moderate close to east Shetland.

Squally showers, becoming wintry.

Good occasionally poor.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0000 UTC on Monday 02 Jan until 1200 UTC on Monday 02 Jan:

Southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Rough or very rough, occasionally high in west later.

Squally, wintry showers.

Good occasionally poor.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South to southwest 5 to 6, veering west this evening, perhaps occasionally 7 overnight with gusts to 45kts, locally west to northwest 7 to gale 8 for a time in the morning.

Rather rough, locally moderate in the south at first, becoming rough.

Rain or drizzle and coastal fog patches, occasionally heavy, clearing this

evening, then scattered rain or hail showers developing, becoming more frequent for a time in the morning.

Moderate to good, but poor or very poor in rain, drizzle and fog.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 6 to 7 with gusts to 45kts, backing southwest by evening, increasing 7 to gale 8 by morning, perhaps severe gale 9 later.

Rough or very rough.

Scattered rain or hail showers, dying out in the evening occasional rain or drizzle from around midnight, locally heavy later.

Good except in showers, becoming moderate to poor in rain or drizzle.

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