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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1800 UTC Thursday 03 July to 1800 UTC Friday 04 July 2014

General Situation

A ridge of high pressure across southern England will decline during the rest of today, while a deep area of low pressure remains slow-moving near Iceland. Various Atlantic fronts will bring rain at times during the next couple of days, especially to the northwest.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 or 6, increasing 7 at times, veering northwesterly 4 or 5 later in west.

Moderate or rough in north, slight or moderate in south.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly 5 or 6 at first in east, otherwise northwesterly 4 or 5, backing westerly or southwesterly 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later in north.

Slight, occasionally moderate in north.

Mainly fair, then rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 5 or 6, veering northwest 4 or 5, then backing southwest 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain then mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

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

Slight, occasionally moderate.

Occasional rain later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, veering west or northwest then backing southwest later, 3 or 4.

Slight, occasionally moderate.

Rain then mainly fair later.

Moderate or good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first, backing south 5 or 6 later.

Slight, occasionally moderate.

Occasional rain later in north.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 4 or 5, veering west or northwest 3 or 4 for a time.

Slight or moderate.
Rain then mainly fair later.
Moderate or good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.
Slight, occasionally moderate.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times, veering westerly 3 or 4 later.
Slight or moderate.
Fair then occasional rain, showers later.
Moderate or good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill
24 hour forecast:
Southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in east.
Slight, occasionally moderate in far east.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwesterly 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6.
Slight becoming moderate.
Fair then occasional rain, showers later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis
24 hour forecast:
Southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.
Slight, occasionally moderate.
Rain later.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest veering west 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight or moderate.
Fair then occasional rain, showers later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight or moderate.
Mainly fair then rain later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 5 or 6, veering west or northwest 4 or 5.
Moderate.
Rain then showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly or southwesterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later in northwest, decreasing 4 or 5 later.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest veering northwest for a time, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 or 6, veering west or northwest 3 or 4 for a time.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 5 or 6, increasing 7 at times except in Liverpool Bay, veering northwesterly 4 or 5 later in northwest.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough except in southeast.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 5 at first in southeast, otherwise westerly or northwesterly backing southwesterly later 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Moderate or rough becoming slight.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South 4 or 5, increasing 6, occasionally 7, veering northwest 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough for a time.

Occasional rain for a time.

Good, becoming moderate or poor for a time.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 4 or 5, backing west or southwest 4.

Moderate becoming slight.

Showers later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 5, increasing 6 or 7, veering northwest 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough in north, otherwise slight or moderate.

Mainly fair then rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest backing southwest, 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 5, increasing 6 or 7, veering northwesterly 4 or 5 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough.
Mainly fair then rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwesterly backing southwesterly, 4 or 5.
Slight or moderate.
Showers.
Moderate or good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest veering northwest later, 5 or 6, increasing 7 or gale 8 for a time.
Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.
Rain then showers later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest backing southwest, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in west.
Showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

The Minch - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest backing south 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 at times, then veering west or northwest 5 or 6 later.
Moderate or rough, but slight or moderate just north of skye.
Rain then showers later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West backing southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight or moderate.
Showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest backing south 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 at times, then veering west or northwest 5 or 6 later.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first.
Rain then showers later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West backing southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Moderate, occasionally rough.
Showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Thursday 03 Jul 2014 at 1800 UTC until Friday 04 Jul 2014 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Deep low over Iceland pushes a frontal trough slowly towards the Shetland from the west.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil at time of issue.

South 6 or 7.

Rough, occasionally very rough in west at first, but moderate east of Shetland.

Occasional rain, mainly in west.

Good, occasionally moderate in west.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Friday 04 Jul until 1800 UTC on Friday 04 Jul:

Southerly 6 or 7, perhaps increasing gale 8 for a time in west, veering northwesterly 3 or 4 later in west.

Moderate east of Shetland at first, otherwise rough.

Occasional rain, mainly in west.

Good, occasionally moderate in west.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable 2 to 4, becoming mainly southwesterly overnight, increasing 4 to 5 late afternoon, locally 6 in the north of the area.

Smooth to slight, becoming slight to moderate later.

Some mist and a risk of fog patches in the north occasional rain late afternoon.

Good, locally moderate to poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South to southwest 4 to 5, locally 6, veering southwest to west in the morning, decreasing 3 to 4 in the afternoon.

Moderate, locally rather rough in the north, decreasing slight to moderate later.

Occasional rain, clearing late morning.

Moderate to poor, becoming good late morning.

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