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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1800 UTC Wednesday 04 May to 1800 UTC Thursday 05 May 2022

General Situation

Atlantic weather fronts will give a mix of rain and showers across the British inshore waters. Although high pressure returns drier conditions across the south this evening.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest, backing south for a time later, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later near Cape Wrath.

Slight or moderate, but smooth or slight in Moray Firth.

Showers, occasional rain later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 to 6, veering west or northwest 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate in north, smooth or slight in south.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

Variable 2 to 4, becoming southwest 3 to 5.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain, becoming mainly fair for a time.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 3 to 5, veering north or northwest 2 to 4 later.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming west 2 to 4, backing southwest later.

Slight.

Showers at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 3 to 5.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Southwest, veering west or northwest, 2 to 4, becoming variable later.

Smooth or slight.

Showers at first.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable, becoming south, then veering southwest, 2 to 4, becoming variable 3 or less later.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly, veering northwesterly, then becoming variable later, 2 to 4.

Smooth or slight.

Showers at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable, becoming southwesterly for a time, 2 to 4.

Smooth or slight.

Showers.

Moderate or good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly 3 to 5, veering northwesterly 3 or 4, then backing southwesterly later.

Smooth or slight.

Showers at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or southwesterly 2 to 4, occasionally 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest, veering northwest for a time, 2 to 4.

Smooth or slight.

Showers at first.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest, veering northwest for a time, 2 to 4.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest, backing west or southwest later, 2 to 4.

Smooth or slight.

Showers at first.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest, veering northwest for a time, 2 to 4.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate later in far west.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly 2 to 4, occasionally 5 in east.

Slight, occasionally smooth in east.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or southwesterly 2 to 4, occasionally 5 at first in east.

Slight, occasionally smooth in east.

Occasional rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming south or southwest 2 to 4 later.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 3 to 5, veering west or southwest 2 or 3 later.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 3 to 5, backing west or southwest 2 to 4, becoming variable 3 or less for a time later in Liverpool Bay.

Smooth or slight.

Showers later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 4 or 5, veering west or northwest 2 to 4 later.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

Northwest, backing southwest, 2 to 4, occasionally 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Showers later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 3 to 5, becoming variable 3 or less later.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

Northwest, backing southwest, 2 to 4.

Smooth or slight.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 3 to 5, becoming variable 2 to 4 later.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in far north.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel
24 hour forecast:

Westerly or northwesterly, backing southwesterly, 2 to 4.

Smooth or slight.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly, veering westerly or northwesterly later, 3 to 5.

Smooth or slight.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 3 or 4, backing southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in northwest.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 4 to 6, veering westerly 3 to 5, then northwesterly 2 to 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West, backing southwest, 3 to 5, occasionally 6 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in central areas.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 or 6, veering west or northwest 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West, backing southwest, 3 to 5, occasionally 6 later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 or 6, veering west or northwest 3 or 4 later.

Moderate, occasionally rough west of the Outer Hebrides.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Wednesday 04 May 2022 at 1800 UTC until Thursday 05 May 2022 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A weak ridge of high pressure will affect Shetland Waters this evening before Atlantic fronts approach from the southwest on Thursday morning.

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

Westerly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north at first, backing southwesterly 3 or 4 later.

Moderate, but slight just east of Shetland.

Mainly fair, then occasional rain in west later.

Good, occasionally moderate in west later.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Thursday 05 May until 1800 UTC on Thursday 05 May:

Southwest 3 or 4 becoming south or southwest 5 or 6.

Moderate, but slight just east of Shetland.

Occasional rain and fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor or very poor.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

West to northwest 3 to 4, occasionally 5 mid-channel at first, locally variable 1 or 2 for a time after dawn.

Smooth or slight.

Mist or haze, local fog patches for a time, especially at first.

Moderate to good, locally poor or very poor at times.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 3 to 4, locally 2.

Smooth or slight.

Local mist or haze, with a risk of fog patches.

Moderate to good, perhaps locally poor or very poor.

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