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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore  
for the period 1200 UTC Wednesday 02 May to 1200 UTC Thursday 03 May 2012

#### General Situation

High centred to the northwest of Scotland will give a generally northeasterly airstream. The high gradually declining westwards, allowing frontal systems to make inroads from the north and east.

#### Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming northwesterly 3 or 4 in the north later.

Slight or moderate, but smooth in the Moray Firth.

Occasional rain in north later, fog patches in the Moray Firth.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor in the Moray Firth.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less in south at first, otherwise northwesterly 3 or 4 veering northeasterly 5 or 6.

Slight or moderate, becoming rough in the north later.

Fog patches in Moray Firth at first, otherwise rain then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor in the Moray Firth at first.

#### Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

Variable mainly north or northeast 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less, becoming north or northeast 4 or 5 later.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate later.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

#### Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in north later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

#### Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast 4 or 5.

Moderate.

Occasional rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northeast 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northeasterly 4 or 5, but variable 3 or less in south.

Slight or moderate.

Thundery rain or showers, fog patches in south.

Moderate, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less, but northerly or northeasterly 4 or 5 in north at first.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers, fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less.

Smooth or slight, but occasional moderate near Strait of Dover.

Occasional rain, fog patches.

Moderate, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable becoming northeast 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Rain or showers, fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain, fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable becoming northeast 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain or showers, fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, but northeasterly 3 or 4 in the far west.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in far west.

Occasional rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Mainly easterly or northeasterly 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain, fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northeasterly 3 or 4, but variable 3 or less in east.

Smooth or slight.

Thundery rain or showers later, fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable at times in east otherwise mainly northeasterly 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain, fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northeasterly 3 or 4, but variable 3 or less in east of Cardigan Bay.

Smooth or slight.

Thundery rain or showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable mainly northerly or northeasterly 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northeasterly 3 or 4, occasional 5 in north later.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain in the far south later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming northeasterly 4 or 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Rain later.

Moderate or good.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in north later.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or northeast, backing north or northwest for a time, 3 or 4, decreasing 2 or 3 for a time.

Smooth or slight.

Rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate in northwest later.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 4 or 5 occasionally 6 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.

Rain later.

Moderate or good.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
North 4 or 5 occasionally 6 later.  
Smooth or slight, becoming moderate later in North Channel.  
Rain later.  
Moderate or good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point  
24 hour forecast:  
North or northeast 3 or 4, but variable 3 or less in shelter.  
Smooth or slight, becoming moderate in west later.  
Fair.  
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
North 3 or 4 increasing 5 or 6.  
Slight or moderate.  
Rain for a time.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

The Minch  
24 hour forecast:  
Variable mainly north or northeast 3 or 4.  
Smooth or slight.  
Occasional rain in north later.  
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
North 3 or 4 increasing 5 to 7.  
Smooth or slight, becoming moderate, occasionally rough in north.  
Rain for a time.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath  
24 hour forecast:  
Variable mainly north or northeast 3 or 4.  
Slight or moderate.  
Occasional rain in north later.  
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
North 3 or 4 increasing 5 to 7.  
Slight, increasing moderate or rough.  
Rain for a time.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland  
Valid Wednesday 02 May 2012 at 1200 UTC until Thursday 03 May 2012 at 0000 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation  
Weak trough will head over northeastern waters at first then high pressure builds across again early Wednesday, sinking south towards Thursday.

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

West or northwest 2 or 3, increasing 3 or 4 in the north of the area later.  
Slight becoming moderate in the north.  
Mainly fair but isolated mist or drizzle.  
Mainly good but moderate or poor at times in mist or drizzle.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0000 UTC on Thursday 03 May until 1200 UTC on Thursday

03 May:

West or northwest 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair but isolated rain or drizzle, becoming more widespread in the north later. Isolated mist patches.

Good, but moderate or poor in rain drizzle or mist.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 4, becoming variable 1 to 3 during the evening.

Moderate becoming slight.

Mist or sea fog in the north drifting south slight risk of some rain overnight in the north.

Good locally moderate to very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 1 to 3, becoming northeast to east for a time 2 to 4.

Smooth or slight.

Mist or fog patches.

Moderate to poor or very poor.

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