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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1200 UTC Thursday 03 May to 1200 UTC Friday 04 May 2012

General Situation

Pressure will remain low to the south and southwest of the United Kingdom whilst pressure builds towards Iceland. A cold front will bring colder and showery weather southwards to most places during the next couple of days.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable becoming north 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7.

Smooth or slight in Moray Firth at first, otherwise moderate, occasionally rough later.

Rain for a time, then wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming north 5 or 6 later.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate later in north.

Occasional rain for a time later, then wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northeast 5 to 7, backing northwest 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Mainly north 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 later.

Moderate becoming slight.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 5 or 6.

Slight becoming moderate or rough.

Rain at first, then wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 4 or 5, backing north 3 or 4.

Moderate becoming slight.

Occasional rain, fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 3 or 4, veering northeast 4 or 5.

Slight becoming moderate, occasionally rough later.

Rain or drizzle with fog patches, becoming mainly fair later.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 4 or 5 in north, otherwise variable 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain, fog patches.

Moderate, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming northeasterly 5 or 6.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.

Occasional rain, fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain or showers, fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming northeasterly 5 to 7.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in east.

Occasional rain, 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 or showers, fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less, becoming northeasterly 5 or 6.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.

Occasional rain, fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

Variable, mainly northeast, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain or showers, fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming northeast 5 or 6.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.

Occasional rain, fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain, thundery at first, fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later around headlands.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate in west.

Occasional rain, fair later.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Variable, mainly northeasterly, 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times later in north.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor in south.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 3 at first in south, increasing 6 at times later.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.

Occasional rain then fair.

Moderate, occasionally poor, becoming good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

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

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in Solway Firth.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain, then fair.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

Variable 2 or 3, becoming northwest 3 or 4, then veering northeast 4 or 5 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate later.

Fair, rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 4 or 5, increasing 6 for a time.

Slight or moderate, becoming mainly moderate for a time.

Rain at first, then fair.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming northwesterly, then veering northeasterly later, 4 or 5, increasing 6 for a time in northeast.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in northwest.

Occasional rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in far northwest.

Smooth or slight in east, slight or moderate in north.

Occasional rain, then showers.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming northwesterly, then veering northeasterly later, 4 or 5, increasing 6 for a time.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northeasterly 4 or 5.
Smooth or slight.
Rain at first, then showers.
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
North 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 later.
Slight or moderate.
Rain for a time.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor for a time.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northeast 5 to 7, backing north or northwest 4 or 5 later.
Slight or moderate.
Fair, then showers.
Mainly good.

The Minch - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Variable 3 or 4, becoming north or northeast 5 to 7.
Smooth or slight, becoming moderate, occasionally rough later in north.
Occasional rain, then wintry showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North or northeast 6 or 7, backing west or northwest 4 or 5 for a time.
Slight or moderate south of skye, moderate or rough north of skye.
Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Variable 3 or 4, becoming north or northeast 5 to 7.
Moderate, occasionally rough later.
Occasional rain, then wintry showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North or northeast 6 or 7, backing west or northwest 4 or 5 for a time.
Moderate or rough.
Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Thursday 03 May 2012 at 1200 UTC until Friday 04 May 2012 at 0000 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation
Troughs and associated shallow low will track east across Shetland waters this evening. Pressure will build over Faeroes with a fresh or strong northerly airflow becoming established over Shetland.

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

Locally variable, mainly west or northwest 2 or 3, becoming north or northwest 3 or 4, then north or northeast 5, occasionally 6 later.
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate, occasionally rough in the northwest.
Outbreaks of rain clearing from the north then scattered showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0000 UTC on Friday 04 May until 1200 UTC on Friday 04 May:

North or northeast 5 occasionally 6, becoming north 6 occasionally 7.

Moderate or rough becoming generally rough.

Scattered showers, wintry at times.

Moderate or good, but poor in wintry showers.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

Variable 1 to 3 becoming mainly north to northeast by late afternoon, increasing 3 to 4 overnight.

Smooth or slight.

Mist and a risk of fog patches patchy light rain at first and overnight.

Moderate to good, locally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 2 to 4, becoming variable jersey southwards at times.

Smooth or slight, increasing moderate in the north later.

Mist and a risk of fog patches occasional rain.

Moderate to poor, locally very poor.

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