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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0600 UTC Wednesday 03 November to 0600 UTC Thursday 04 November
2010

General Situation

The British coastal waters will lie in a mainly westerly airflow at first this morning. A weak and temporary ridge will move in from the southwest during the day but this will give way as Atlantic fronts move northeastwards across the United Kingdom, reaching all parts in the next 48 hours.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 6 to gale 8 decreasing 5 or 6, becoming variable 3 or 4 later. Very rough or high in north, otherwise moderate or rough, but becoming slight in Moray Firth.

Squally showers, rain in south later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4 becoming easterly or northeasterly 5 or 6 for a time in south, becoming westerly or southwesterly 5 to 7 later.

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

Rain or showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, becoming variable 3 or 4, then east or northeast 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in north.

Showers, rain later.

Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or northeast 4 or 5 veering southwest 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 for a time, then veering northwest 4 or 5, backing southwest 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 to 7, backing southeast 3 or 4 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Showers, rain later.

Good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 6 to gale 8, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 to 7, backing south 3 or 4 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 6 to gale 8, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 6 to gale 8, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, decreasing 4 at times.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 at times in east, occasionally 5 later.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 6 or 7, perhaps gale 8 at times.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain.

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 or 7.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in far west.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough.

Rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 4 or 5 increasing 6 or 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first near Cornwall.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 6 or 7 decreasing 4 or 5.

Rough or very rough, occasionally moderate in east.

Rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 4 or 5 backing south 3 or 4, then veering southwest 6 or 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight.

Occasional rain.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 6 to gale 8 decreasing 3 or 4.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in south.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 to 7, backing south or southeast 3 or 4 for a time, perhaps gale 8 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight.

Rain or showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 6 to gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough becoming slight or moderate.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 5 or 6 backing south or southwest 3 or 4, increasing 6 or 7 later, perhaps gale 8 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight for a time.

Occasional rain.

Good, occasionally moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 6 to gale 8 decreasing 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough becoming slight or moderate.

Rain then fair.

Moderate or poor becoming good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 to 7, backing southeast 3 or 4 for a time, perhaps gale 8 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight, but very rough at first in north.

Showers then rain.

Good, becoming moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 6 to gale 8 decreasing 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4 in north later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight in east later.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 to 7, backing southeast 3 or 4 for a time, perhaps gale 8 later.

Moderate or rough, but very rough at first near the Mull of Kintyre, becoming slight or moderate later.

Showers then rain.

Good, becoming moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 at times, decreasing 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4 in north later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 5 to 7 decreasing 3 or 4, then backing easterly 5 to 7, veering southwesterly 6 or 7 in south later.

Very rough or high becoming rough or very rough.

Squally showers then rain.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly 5 to 7 at first in north, otherwise southwesterly 7 or gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 for a time, then veering northwesterly 4, becoming variable 3 later.

Rough or very rough.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 5 to 7 decreasing 4 or 5, then becoming variable 3 or 4, becoming easterly 5 to 7 in south later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight later.

Squally showers, rain in south later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable mainly easterly 3 or 4 at first in north, otherwise easterly backing northerly 5 to 7, then backing westerly 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 5 to 7 decreasing 4 or 5, then becoming variable 3 or 4, becoming easterly 5 to 7 in south later.

Very rough or high.

Squally showers, rain in south later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable mainly easterly 3 or 4 at first in north, otherwise easterly backing northerly 5 to 7, then backing westerly 4 or 5.

Rough or very rough.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Wednesday 03 Nov 2010 at 0600 UTC until Wednesday 03 Nov 2010 at 1800 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

The deep low centred near the Faeroes will move northeastwards with further troughs swinging across Shetland waters.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Westerly severe gale 9

Westerly or northwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in south and west, but occasionally 5 in northeast at first.
High in north and west, otherwise very rough, but locally moderate close to east Shetland coast.
Squally showers.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1800 UTC on Wednesday 03 Nov until 0600 UTC on Thursday 04 Nov:
Westerly or northwesterly 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 at first, gradually decreasing 5 or 6, but 4 in southwest later.
Very rough or high, but moderate or rough close to eastern Shetland coast.
Squally showers.
Moderate or good.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly 4 or 5 in the south and 6 or 7 with gusts to 40 kt in the north, perhaps locally gale 8 Thursday morning.
Moderate to rather rough in the south and rough in the north.
Rain or drizzle at times.
Moderate or poor in rain or drizzle, otherwise good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 to 7, possibly occasionally gale 8 mid-channel.
Rather rough to rough.
Some rain or drizzle at times, especially overnight.
Good, locally moderate or poor.

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