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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0000 UTC Friday 04 February to 0000 UTC Saturday 05 February
2011

General Situation

An intense low to the north of Scotland will move away northeastwards as another Atlantic low moves northeastwards to be near Shetland by the early hours of Saturday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West severe gale 9 to violent storm 11 backing south 4, backing east 5 to 7, veering southwest 7 to severe gale 9 later.

Rough or very rough, occasionally high in west and moderate in Moray Firth.

Squally wintry showers then rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 7 to severe gale 9 decreasing 5 or 6 later.

Moderate or rough in east, very rough or high in west.

Rain, then squally wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly gale 8 to storm 10, occasionally violent storm 11 in north at first, backing southerly 4 then southeasterly 5 to 7, veering southwesterly 7 to severe gale 9 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough near Rattray Head.

Squally showers, rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Occasional rain then mainly fair.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest gale 8 to storm 10 backing southeast 5 or 6 then veering southwest 7 to severe gale 9.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Occasional rain.

Good, occasionally poor.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 7 to severe gale 9 decreasing 4 or 5 for a time.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 7 to severe gale 9, backing south or southeast 3 or 4.
Moderate or rough.
Occasional rain.
Good, occasionally poor.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest 6 to gale 8.
Moderate or rough, occasionally slight at first.
Occasional rain.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 near North Foreland.
Moderate or rough.
Occasional rain.
Good, occasionally poor.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest 7 to severe gale 9.
Moderate or rough, occasionally slight at first.
Occasional rain.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwesterly 7 or gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in east.
Rough or very rough.
Occasional rain.
Moderate, occasionally poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest 6 to gale 8.
Moderate or rough, occasionally slight at first in east.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 6 to gale 8.
Rough or very rough.
Rain or drizzle.
Moderate occasionally poor.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest 6 to gale 8.
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough or high west of the Lizard.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in west.
Rough or very rough, occasionally high near the Lizard.
Rain or drizzle.
Moderate occasionally poor.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest 6 to gale 8.
Rough or very rough, but moderate in east.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in far southwest, decreasing 5 or 6 in north later.

Rough or very rough, but high near Lands End, and 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:

Southwesterly 7 to severe gale 9, but 5 to 7 in north at first.

Rough or very rough, occasionally moderate in north.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 7 to severe gale 9, veering west 4 or 5 later.

Rough or very rough.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 5 for a time.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 7 or gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5, then veering west 3 or 4.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Occasional rain.

Moderate, occasionally poor.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 6 or 7 decreasing 4 or 5, backing south or southwest 7 or gale 8.

Rough, becoming moderate for a time.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 7 or gale 8 decreasing 4 or 5.

Rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 7 to severe gale 9 backing southeast 5 or 6, veering southwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 5 to 7 later.

Moderate or rough, but very rough or high in north.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 to 7 decreasing 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough becoming slight or moderate in south, very rough or high becoming rough or very rough in north.

Occasional rain, fair in north later.

Moderate, occasionally poor, becoming good in north later.

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

24 hour forecast:

West 7 to severe gale 9 backing southeast 5 or 6, veering southwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 5 to 7 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in far northwest.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 to 7 decreasing 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough, but very rough in far northwest at first.

Rain, fair later.

Moderate occasionally poor, becoming good in north later.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West severe gale 9 to violent storm 11 backing southeast 5 or 6, veering southwest 7 to severe gale 9.

High or very high.

Squally showers then occasional rain.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 5 to 7.

High, becoming rough or very rough.

Occasional rain then squally showers.

Moderate or good.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West severe gale 9 to violent storm 11 backing east 5 to 7, veering southwest 7 to severe gale 9.

Moderate or rough, but very rough or high in far north and south.

Squally wintry showers then rain.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 7 to severe gale 9.

Moderate or rough, but very rough in far north and south.

Rain then squally wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West severe gale 9 to violent storm 11 backing east 5 to 7, veering southwest 7 to severe gale 9.

High or very high.

Squally wintry showers then rain.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 7 to severe gale 9.

Very rough or high.

Rain then squally wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland

Valid Friday 04 Feb 2011 at 0000 UTC until Friday 04 Feb 2011 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A deep low will move northeast in the Norwegian Sea. Another depression will move northeast later Friday, expected to pass to the south of Shetland.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Storm 10 veering westerly and increasing hurricane force 12 soon. Issued at 03/1631 UTC

Southwest gale 8 or severe gale 9 veering west storm 10 or violent storm 11, then decreasing gale 8 or severe gale 9.

High or very high.

Rain then wintry showers.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good later.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Friday 04 Feb until 0000 UTC on Saturday 05 Feb:

West gale 8 or severe gale 9 decreasing 5, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

High or very high becoming very rough.

Rain later.

Moderate or good.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 to 6 and 7 at times north of jersey, locally gale 8 mid-channel later.

Rather rough or rough, locally very rough in the north later.

Patchy light drizzle from dawn.

Good, becoming moderate, locally poor in drizzle.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in mid-channel.

Rather rough to rough locally very rough in the north.

Patchy light drizzle at times.

Mainly moderate to good.

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