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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0600 UTC Friday 02 December to 0600 UTC Saturday 03 December 2022

General Situation

A ridge of high pressure extends from Scandinavia across the United Kingdom. This will bring predominantly light or moderate winds to most areas, although during the next 24 hours strong winds will affect the north of Scotland and the south of England.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southeasterly 3 to 5, occasionally 6 in east.

Smooth or slight in Moray Firth and moderate or rough to the west and north of Orkney, but elsewhere slight or moderate.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 3 to 5, occasionally 6 except in Moray Firth.

Rough at first near northwestern Orkney and smooth or slight at first in Moray Firth, otherwise slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly backing southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first near Rattray Head, becoming variable 3 at times in south.

Smooth or slight at first in Firth of Forth, otherwise slight or moderate.

Rain or drizzle, then showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 2 at first in Firth of Forth, otherwise southeast 3 to 5, backing east 4 to 6 later.

Slight at first in south, otherwise moderate.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

South or southeast 2 to 4 backing east 3 to 5.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate later.

Occasional rain, then showers.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Moderate.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable 2 to 4 becoming east or northeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Slight becoming moderate.
Showers.
Good, occasionally poor at first close inshore.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
East or northeast 4 to 6.
Moderate.
Showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northerly or northeasterly 3 to 5 veering easterly or northeasterly 5 to 7.
Slight becoming moderate.
Showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Easterly or northeasterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first, decreasing 4 at times later.
Moderate, occasionally slight in the wash.
Showers, becoming fair later.
Good, occasionally moderate at first in north.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northerly 3 to 5 veering northeasterly 5 to 7.
Smooth or slight, becoming moderate.
Showers.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Easterly or northeasterly 4 to 6, occasionally 7 at first.
Slight or moderate.
Showers, becoming fair later.
Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northeast 4 to 6, occasionally 3 at first.
Slight or moderate.
Fog patches at first close inshore, showers later.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first close inshore.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northeast 4 to 6.
Slight or moderate.
Showers.
Good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southeasterly 3 to 5 at first in west, otherwise easterly or northeasterly 4 to 6, occasionally 7 later.
Slight or moderate in east, but in west, moderate, occasionally rough later.
Showers, fog patches at first close inshore in east.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first close inshore in east.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first, then decreasing 4 at times.
Slight or moderate in east, moderate or rough in west.
Showers.
Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

East 3 to 5, backing northeast 4 to 6 later.

Slight or moderate in west, smooth or slight in east.

Fog patches at first in severn estuary and Bristol Channel.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first in severn estuary and Bristol Channel.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 4 to 6.

Slight or moderate in west, smooth or slight in east.

Showers.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

East or southeast 2 to 4 backing east or northeast 3 to 5.

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

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or northeast 4 or 5, occasionally 3 at first, increasing 6 at times later.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate near st david's head, and later also near northern Anglesey.

Showers.

Good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

Variable mainly southeast 2 to 4 backing east or northeast 3 to 5.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain or drizzle at first in north.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or northeast 3 to 5, occasionally 6 later.

Smooth or slight.

Fair then showers.

Good.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

East or southeast 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.

Slight.

Occasional rain or drizzle then fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East 4 or 5, occasionally 3 at first, increasing 6 at times later.

Slight, becoming slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 3 to 5 becoming variable 2 to 4 then southeast 3 or 4.

Moderate in far north, but slight elsewhere.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast 3 to 5, backing east 4 to 6 later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.

Slight or moderate near the Mull of Kintyre, but elsewhere smooth or slight.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly or southeasterly 3 to 5, backing easterly or northeasterly 4 to 6 later.

Smooth or slight in Firth of Clyde, but elsewhere slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point

24 hour forecast:

South backing southeast, 3 to 5.

Moderate or rough, but slight in shelter.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast 3 to 5, backing east 4 to 6 later.

Moderate or rough at first except in shelter, otherwise slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.

Smooth or slight to the east and north of skye, but elsewhere slight or moderate.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 4 to 6, backing southeast 3 to 5 later.

Smooth or slight to the east and north of skye, but elsewhere slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate near Sutherland.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 4 to 6, backing southeast 3 to 5 later.

Slight or moderate near Sutherland and between barra and canna, but elsewhere moderate or rough.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

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

Valid Friday 02 Dec 2022 at 0600 UTC until Friday 02 Dec 2022 at 1800 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Ridge of high pressure extends across the UK from Scandinavia maintaining a mainly southerly flow across Shetland Waters.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle at time of issue: Southerly gale force 8 expected soon, issued 01 December at 0954UTC.

South or southeast 5 to 7

Rough or very rough

Rain or drizzle

Moderate occasionally poor, becoming good in east

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1800 UTC on Friday 02 Dec until 0600 UTC on Saturday 03 Dec:

South 5 or 6

Rough, becoming moderate east of Shetland

Occasional rain or drizzle in west, mainly fair in east

Good, occasionally moderate or poor in west

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

East or variable 2 to 4, becoming northeast 4 to 6 by late afternoon, perhaps locally 7 in the north of the area this evening.

Smooth to slight with a low swell, becoming slight to moderate from midday, then rather rough in the north by midnight.

Occasional showers mist near french coasts at first.

Good, occasionally moderate, locally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast to east 5 to 6, perhaps locally 7 at first, decreasing 4 to 5 by mid-afternoon.

Rather rough to rough in the north and west of the area until Saturday evening, otherwise slight to moderate with a low swell.

Occasional showers, mainly in the north mist patches near french coasts on Sunday.

Good, occasionally moderate, locally poor later.

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