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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore  
for the period 0600 UTC Friday 04 May to 0600 UTC Saturday 05 May 2018

#### General Situation

A ridge of high pressure will bring quiet conditions to the south but a rather brisk and changeable southwesterly airflow will be maintained across the far north.

#### Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times, but occasionally 7 at first near Cape Wrath.

Moderate occasionally rough in north, slight in south.

Rain or drizzle at times in north, fair in south.

Good, occasionally poor in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 increasing 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in northwest, then veering westerly 4 or 5 later.

Slight in south, mainly moderate or rough in north, but occasionally very rough later near northwest Orkney.

Rain or drizzle at times in north, fair in south.

Good, occasionally poor in north.

#### Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north, becoming variable 3 at times in south.

Slight, occasionally moderate at first in north.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north, then becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Slight, occasionally moderate in north.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

#### Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Variable mainly southwest 3 or less, increasing 4 at times.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 3 or 4, becoming variable 2 at times.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

#### Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Southwest backing south 3 or 4, becoming variable 2 at times.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 3 backing southeast 4 or 5, then becoming variable 3 or less later.  
Smooth or slight.  
Fair.  
Moderate or good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:  
Southerly becoming variable 3 or less, increasing 4 at times.  
Smooth or slight.  
Fair.  
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less becoming easterly or northeasterly 3 or 4.  
Smooth or slight.  
Fair.  
Moderate or good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:  
Variable, becoming northeasterly later, 3 or less, occasionally 4 later.  
Smooth or slight.  
Fair.  
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly or northeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in east.  
Slight, occasionally moderate in east, becoming smooth at times in west.  
Fair.  
Moderate or good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:  
Variable 3 or less.  
Smooth or slight.  
Fair.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor in west.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less, becoming northeast 3 or 4 later.  
Smooth or slight.  
Fair.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first in west.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:  
Variable 3 or less, occasionally 4 in west.  
Moderate to the west of Lizard Point, otherwise smooth or slight.  
Fog patches.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less becoming north or northeast 3 or 4.  
Smooth or slight in east, slight or moderate in west.  
Fog patches then fair.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:  
Variable 3 or less, occasionally 4 at first.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in Bristol Channel.  
Drizzle at first, fog patches.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Variable 1 or 2 increasing 3 or 4.  
Slight or moderate in west, smooth or slight in east.  
Fog patches in west.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor in west.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel  
24 hour forecast:  
Variable mainly southwesterly 2 or 3, occasionally 4 in north.  
Smooth or slight.  
Drizzle at first, fog patches.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Southerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in north, then becoming variable 3 or less later.  
Slight, occasionally smooth in south.  
Fog patches.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway  
24 hour forecast:  
Southerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in north, but becoming variable 2 in Liverpool Bay.  
Slight or moderate in north, smooth or slight in south.  
Occasional drizzle at first, fog patches in north.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5 until later in north, otherwise variable 3 or 4.  
Smooth or slight in south, slight occasionally moderate in north.  
Fog patches in north.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor in north.

Isle of Man  
24 hour forecast:  
Southwest backing south 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.  
Slight, occasionally moderate.  
Fog patches.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
South 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.  
Slight, occasionally moderate.  
Fog patches.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough  
24 hour forecast:  
South or southwest 3 or 4, occasionally variable 2 at first, then increasing 5 at times.  
Slight in east, slight or moderate in north.  
Fog patches later.  
Good to poor, but occasionally very poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
South 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times, then occasionally variable 2 later.  
Slight in east, moderate in north.  
Fog patches.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 3 or 4 backing southerly 4 or 5.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in shelter in far north.  
Occasional drizzle, fog patches later.  
Good to poor, but occasionally very poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.  
Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight later in Firth of Clyde.  
Drizzle at times, fog patches.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly backing southerly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north, becoming variable 3 at times in south.  
Moderate or rough near Tiree and western islay, otherwise slight or moderate.  
Rain or drizzle at times, fog patches.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly veering southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north, then becoming variable 3 or 4 later.  
Slight or moderate in shelter in south, otherwise moderate or rough.  
Rain or drizzle at times, fog patches.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally 4 in south.  
Slight or moderate.  
Rain or drizzle at times.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly veering southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in north, then veering westerly 5 or 6, becoming variable 4 later.  
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough for a time.  
Rain or drizzle at times.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 5 to 7.  
Moderate or rough.  
Rain or drizzle at times.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly veering southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in north, then veering westerly 5 or 6, becoming variable 4 later.  
Moderate or rough, becoming rough or very rough for a time to the west of the Outer Hebrides.  
Rain or drizzle at times.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

Valid Friday 04 May 2018 at 0600 UTC until Friday 04 May 2018 at 1800 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A southwesterly airstream will cover Shetland and surrounding waters, while

Atlantic fronts will move northeast across the area.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil at time of issue.

Southwesterly 5 or 6.

Rough in west, moderate in east, but slight in sheltered waters near eastern Shetland.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1800 UTC on Friday 04 May until 0600 UTC on Saturday 05 May:

Southwesterly 5 or 6, occasionally 4 in southeast.

Rough in west and far north, moderate in east, but slight in sheltered waters near eastern Shetland.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

Variable 1 to 3, becoming northerly 2 to 4 this afternoon, veering north to northeast by midnight, increasing 3 to 4 by morning.

Smooth or slight.

Risk of drizzle with mist and fog patches, especially in the northwest, this afternoon and overnight.

Good, locally poor or very poor in mist or fog.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North to northeast 3 to 4, perhaps locally 5 in the south and east late afternoon.

Slight with a low swell.

Mist or fog patches, especially in the west, clearing by noon Saturday.

Good, occasionally poor or very poor.

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