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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0600 UTC Wednesday 01 April to 0600 UTC Thursday 02 April 2020

General Situation

A strong but declining area of high pressure centered west of the United Kingdom will continue to extend a ridge eastwards across many areas, but slowly move southwards. Low pressure moving into the Norwegian Sea will drive a cold front south across northern areas on Wednesday and Thursday, giving strong northerly winds with gales in the north.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or northwesterly, 5 to 7, occasionally 4 in south, increasing gale 8 or perhaps severe gale 9 later.

In northwest, rough or very rough, occasionally high later, in southeast, slight or moderate, occasionally rough later.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or northwesterly 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 4 to 6.

Mainly slight or moderate in Moray Firth, otherwise rough or very rough, occasionally high at first in northwest.

Squally wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 4 to 6, occasionally 7 later, perhaps gale 8 later near Rattray Head.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in west, becoming rough later near Rattray Head.

Rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest, 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 near Rattray Head, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in east, or very rough for a time near Rattray Head.

Showers, becoming wintry.

Good, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or northwesterly 3 to 5, occasionally 6 later in north.

Slight, occasionally moderate later in north.

Showers, becoming fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or southwesterly 4 to 6, veering northwesterly 6 or 7, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough.

Showers, becoming wintry.

Good, occasionally poor.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Variable, mainly west, 2 to 4, becoming west 4 or 5.

Slight.
Showers, becoming fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or northwest 4 to 6.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later in north.
Showers.
Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland
24 hour forecast:
Variable 2 to 4, becoming westerly 3 to 5 later.
Smooth or slight.
Showers, becoming fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly or southwesterly, veering northwesterly, 4 to 6, occasionally 3 at first.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in northeast.
Showers.
Good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill
24 hour forecast:
Northeasterly 2 to 4, becoming variable 3 or less, then northwesterly 2 to 4 later.
Smooth or slight.
Showers later.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwesterly, backing westerly, 2 to 4, backing southwesterly 4 to 6, then veering northwesterly 2 to 4 later.
Smooth or slight.
Showers.
Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis
24 hour forecast:
Northeast 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less, then north or northwest 3 or 4 later.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate at first.
Showers later.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North or northwest 3 or 4, backing west 4 or 5, then veering northwest 3 or 4 later.
Smooth or slight.
Showers.
Good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly
24 hour forecast:
Northerly or northeasterly 3 to 5, becoming variable 2 to 4 for a time in east.
Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth.
Showers later.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northerly, backing northwesterly, 3 to 5.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate.

Showers.
Good.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly, backing northerly or northwesterly, 3 to 5, but becoming variable 2 to 4 for a time in east.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate at first near Lands End.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northwesterly, backing westerly for a time, 3 to 5, occasionally 6 in Bristol Channel.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth.

Showers.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

North backing northwest, 3 to 5, occasionally 6 later near Anglesey.

Smooth or slight.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 4 to 6, occasionally 3 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth later.

Showers.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 3 to 5, backing west 4 to 6 later.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate later.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 5 or 6, veering northwest 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth later.

Showers.

Good.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 3 to 5, backing west 4 or 5 later.

Slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 4 to 6, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain, fair later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 3 to 5, occasionally 6 in north, backing westerly 4 to 6, increasing 7 at times later in north.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in south, becoming rough later in far north.

Rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or northwesterly 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Slight at times in south, otherwise moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in far north.

Showers, wintry later.

Good, occasionally poor later.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly, backing westerly, 4 to 6, occasionally 3 at first, then increasing 7 at times later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth.

Rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or northwesterly 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Rough for a time near Mull of Kintyre, otherwise slight or moderate, occasionally smooth.

Showers, wintry later.

Good, occasionally poor later.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 4 to 6, occasionally 7 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight at first.

Rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 6 or 7, perhaps gale 8 at first, then decreasing 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in west.

Showers, becoming wintry.

Good, occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 5 to 7, occasionally 4 in south, veering northwesterly 6 to gale 8 later, perhaps severe gale 9 later in far north.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in north.

Rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale at first 9 in far north, then decreasing 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight in central areas, becoming very rough for a time in far north.

Wintry showers, squally in north.

Good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 5 to 7, occasionally 4 in south, veering northwesterly 6 to gale 8 later, perhaps severe gale 9 later in north.

Rough or very rough, occasionally high later in north.

Rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale at first 9 in north, then

decreasing 4 or 5.
Rough or very rough, occasionally high at first.
Wintry showers, squally in north.
Good, occasionally poor.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Wednesday 01 Apr 2020 at 0600 UTC until Wednesday 01 Apr 2020 at 1800 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A deep area of low pressure forming in Norwegian Sea during Wednesday will drift southeastwards into Norway on Thursday. A very strong west or northwesterly airflow becoming established over Shetland Waters

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle at time of issue: Westerly gale force 8 expected later issued: 09:57 (UTC) on Tue 31 Mar 2020

West or northwest 6 to gale 8
Rough or very rough
Rain then showers
Good occasionally moderate at first

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1800 UTC on Wednesday 01 Apr until 0600 UTC on Thursday 02 Apr:
West or northwest 6 to gale 8 perhaps severe gale 9 later
Rough or very rough becoming high in west later
Showers
Mainly good

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 3 to 5, perhaps locally 6 at first, occasionally variable 1 to 3 during the evening, backing northerly 2 to 4 overnight.
Slight to moderate, decreasing smooth to slight through the day.
Risk of light showers overnight.
Good, perhaps locally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly 2 to 4, backing northwesterly 4 to 5 from late morning, decreasing 2 to 3 later.
Mainly slight, perhaps moderate in the north during the afternoon, occasionally smooth later.
Isolated light showers at times.
Good, perhaps locally moderate.

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