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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore  
for the period 1800 UTC Wednesday 01 May to 1800 UTC Thursday 02 May 2013

#### General Situation

An Atlantic low pressure system will approach on Thursday, then cover the northwest of the United Kingdom on Friday, whilst high pressure persists over central and southern areas.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 4 or 5, but 6 at first Orkney, becoming variable 3, then east or southeast 5 to 7 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough to the north and west of Orkney.

Showers, wintry in north, rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or southeast becoming cyclonic, 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough to the north and west of Orkney.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or poor.

#### Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming southeast 4 or 5 later.

Slight, occasionally moderate in far north.

Showers, then rain later.

Good, occasional moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast 4 or 5, veering south or southwest 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough around Rattray Head later.

Occasional rain mainly in north.

Good, occasionally moderate.

#### Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming southeast 4 or 5 later.

Slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast 4 or 5, veering south or southwest 5 to 7.

Slight, occasionally moderate at later.

Fair.

Good.

#### Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming southeast 4 or 5 later.

Slight.

Showers at first.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeasterly veering southerly or southwesterly, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north.

Slight, occasionally moderate later.

Fair.

Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4 north of Lowestoft, otherwise northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in far south.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain later in south.

Good, becoming moderate or poor later in south.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly or northeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in south, becoming variable 3 or less, then southerly or southwesterly 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain at first in south.

Moderate or poor at first in south, otherwise good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in east.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain later.

Good, becoming moderate or poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in east, becoming variable 3 or less, then westerly or southwesterly 4 later.

Slight.

Rain at first.

Moderate or poor at first, otherwise good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast 3 or 4 becoming variable 3 or less later.

Slight.

Occasional rain in east later.

Good, occasionally moderate or poor later in east.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less, becoming west 4 or 5 later.

Slight, occasionally moderate later.

Occasionally rain in east at first.

Good, occasionally moderate or poor at first in east.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less for a time.

Slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 3 or 4, backing southwest 4 or 5 later.

Slight, occasionally moderate later.

Fair.

Good.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less.

Slight.

Fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less, becoming west or southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7 later.

Slight, becoming moderate at later.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming southwest 3 or 4 later.

Slight.

Fair, risk fog patches early morning.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4, increasing 5 to 7.

Slight, becoming moderate at later.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming south or southwest 3 or 4 later.

Slight.

Fair, risk fog patches early morning.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7.

Slight, occasionally moderate later.

Occasionally rain later in north.

Moderate or good.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

Variable or north 3 or less, becoming south or southeast 3 or 4 later.

Slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 later.

Slight becoming moderate later.

Occasional rain later.

Good occasionally moderate.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less, then south 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 4 or 5, increasing 6 to 7.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in North Channel later.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less, then south 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 4 or 5, increasing 6 to 7.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in North Channel later.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 4 or 5, becoming variable 3, then south 4 or 5 later, occasionally 6 in northwest.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in west.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally 4 in south at first.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in west.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4, then cyclonic 5 to 7 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far north and far south at first.

Showers, wintry in north, rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Cyclonic 5 to 7.

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

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4, then cyclonic 5 to 7 later.

Moderate or rough.

Showers, wintry in north, rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Cyclonic 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

Valid Wednesday 01 May 2013 at 1800 UTC until Thursday 02 May 2013 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A deep low will track northeast past Shetland and the surrounding waters and into the Norwegian Sea.

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

West or northwest 6 to gale 8, occasionally 5 later.

Rough or very rough.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Thursday 02 May until 1800 UTC on Thursday 02 May:

West or northwest 5 to 7, becoming variable 3 or 4, then southeast 4 or 5 later.  
Rough or very rough.

Wintry showers, rain later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North to northeast 4 or 5, locally 6 at first, decreasing 3 to 4 by Thursday evening.

Moderate becoming slight.

Some patchy light rain, mainly jersey and southeast.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast to north 2 to 4, backing west by midday Friday.

Slight, locally smooth.

Fair.

Good.

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