

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Thursday 06 May 2021 until 23:59 on Friday 07 May 2021

Forecast Issued on Thursday 06 May 2021 at 03:51 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for cold and showery on Thursday and Friday. High for unsettled weather to continue over the weekend.

Headline for Thursday 06 May 2021: Cold and rather cloudy with wintry showers

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 06 May 2021

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Gales

No Likelihood

Thunderstorms

Low Likelihood

Heavy Snow

No Likelihood

Severe chill effect

Medium Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

No Likelihood

Storm force winds







No Likelihood

Poor visibility

Medium Likelihood

Strong sunlight

Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
					
Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Light snow	Light snow	Light snow	Light snow
Precipitation probability					
60%	30%	40%	40%	30%	20%

Forecast for Thursday 06 May 2021

Weather: Thursday will see some limited sunny intervals and scattered heavy sleet, snow or hail showers with a small risk of a thunderstorm. Showers easing through the evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 50%

Visibility: Poor in low cloud down to 500 metres, this extensive in the morning period, some breaks developing by the afternoon. Low cloud combined with snow will lead to reduced visibilities and potential navigational issues.

Forecast for Thursday 06 May 2021

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)				Wind Direction (blowing from)		
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	36/43 N	31/39 N	28/36 N	23/31 N	20/27 N	16/21 N	11/15 NW
900	35/42 N	29/37 N	28/35 N	23/31 N	20/27 N	15/20 N	11/15 NW
600	26/33 N	21/29 N	21/29 N	18/25 N	15/22 N	10/16 NW	7/11 NW
300	11/37 N	10/32 N	12/32 N	11/29 N	10/25 N	7/18 N	6/13 NW
Glen	13/30 N	12/28 N	15/30 N	14/27 N	13/25 N	9/18 N	7/13 N

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-3/-13	-3/-12	-2/-11	-2/-9	-2/-9	-2/-9	-3/-8
900	-2/-12	-2/-10	-2/-10	-1/-8	-1/-8	-2/-8	-2/-7
600	-0/-8	0/-6	1/-5	2/-4	1/-4	0/-4	0/-3
300	2/-3	2/-1	4/-0	4/-0	4/0	2/-1	2/-1
Glen	4/0	5/1	7/3	8/4	7/3	5/2	4/2
Freezing Level*	500m	600m	600m	700m	700m	600m	600m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Be prepared for winter conditions at height with some fresh falls of snow.

Forecast for Friday 07 May 2021

Weather: A dry, bright start but scattered snow and hail showers developing from late morning, some of these briefly heavy. Showers easing away in the evening.

Maximum wind: Northerly 25 mph on the higher summits

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 70%, best chance in the morning

Visibility: Becoming poor for a brief time as showers pass through, cloud base lowering to 700 metres or so in heavier showers. Otherwise cloud mostly 900 metres or higher shrouding some of the highest tops at times.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 3 rising to 10 Celsius
At 800m: Zero Celsius
Freezing level: 800 metres