

From the Met Office. Issued at 0530 GMT on Friday 02 Feb 2007.

Here is the weather forecast for the inshore waters of Great Britain and Northern Ireland valid for the following 24 hours.

General Situation: A weak weather front will move south-eastwards across the country giving outbreaks of rain with high pressure becoming established over Ireland by this afternoon.

From Cape Wrath to Duncansby Head including Orkney.

Wind: west or northwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7.

showers at first.

Visibility: good.

Shetland.

Wind: west or northwest 5 to 7.

showers.

Visibility: mainly good.

From Duncansby Head to Whitby.

Wind: west veering northwest 4 or 5 occasionally 6 in north.

showers at first in north.

Visibility: good.

From Whitby to North Foreland.

Wind: westerly veering northeasterly 3 or 4 occasionally 5.

occasional rain, then fair.

Visibility: moderate or good.

From North Foreland to St. Catherine's Point.

Wind: westerly veering northeasterly 2 or 3, increasing 4 occasionally 5 later.

occasional rain or drizzle.

Visibility: good, occasionally moderate or poor.

From St. Catherine's Point to Lands End.

Wind: northwesterly veering northeasterly 4 occasionally 5, perhaps 6 at times in west.

occasional rain or drizzle.

Visibility: moderate or good, occasionally poor.

From Lands End to Colwyn Bay.

Wind: northwest veering east 3 or 4 occasionally 5.

occasional drizzle, becoming fair later.

Visibility: good, occasionally moderate or poor.

From Colwyn Bay to Mull of Kintyre including Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough.

Wind: northwest veering north 4 or 5 occasionally 6, becoming variable 2 later.

occasional rain or drizzle at first.

Visibility: good, occasionally moderate or poor at first.

From Mull of Kintyre to Cape Wrath.

Wind: northwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6, backing southwesterly later and decreasing 2 or 3 south of Ardnamurchan Point.

isolated showers in north.

Visibility: good.