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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0600 UTC Saturday 05 March to 0600 UTC Sunday 06 March 2016

General Situation

A complex area of low pressure over England will edge away eastwards into Europe during today, leaving a cold northerly airflow in its wake.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northerly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first, decreasing 4 at times later.

Moderate or rough.

Rain or wintry showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Mainly northerly 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times in east.

Slight or moderate.

Wintry showers, then occasional rain or snow.

Good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough near Rattray Head.

Rain or wintry showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest 5 or 6.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate.

Snow showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeast backing north 5 or 6.

Moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 5 or 6.

Moderate, occasionally rough.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeast backing north 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or wintry showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest 5 or 6.

Moderate.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northerly, 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate in south and moderate or rough in north.

Fair at first in south, otherwise occasional rain or sleet.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northwesterly 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough at first in north, otherwise slight or moderate.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming northerly 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or wintry showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northwesterly 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight, except in far east.

Wintry showers, mainly in east.

Mainly good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Smooth in shelter, otherwise slight or moderate.

Wintry showers, fair later.

Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest 4 or 5.

Smooth in shelter, otherwise slight.

Fair then showers.

Good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northerly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first in far west, decreasing 4 at times later.

Very rough becoming moderate or rough in far west, otherwise slight or moderate, becoming smooth in shelter.

Showers, mainly in west.

Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northwesterly veering northeasterly later, but becoming cyclonic for a time in west, 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time.

Smooth in shelter, otherwise slight, but moderate, occasionally rough later, in far west.

Showers, rain for a time in far west.

Mainly good.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northerly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first in southwest, backing northwesterly 4 or 5 later.

Very rough at first in southwest, otherwise moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate later.

Showers, mainly in west.

Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest veering northeast later, 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight in Bristol Channel, but becoming rough later in southwest.

Showers, rain for a time in southwest.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

North 5 to 7, backing northwest 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate later.

Wintry showers.

Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight in north.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

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

24 hour forecast:

North 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight later.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, decreasing 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.

Moderate becoming slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest 3 or 4, decreasing 2 or 3.

Slight becoming smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North 5 or 6, decreasing 4 at times later.

Moderate or rough at first in north, otherwise slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Mainly north or northwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight in east.

Rain later.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northerly 5 or 6, decreasing 4 at times later.
Slight or moderate.
Mainly fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northerly or northwesterly 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.
Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.
Rain later.
Good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
North 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 later.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.
Mainly fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable, mainly north 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 later.
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later.
Rain later.
Mainly good.

The Minch - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
North 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 later.
Slight or moderate, but rough at first in far north and in far south, becoming smooth later in central areas.
Wintry showers then fair.
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North becoming variable 3 or 4.
Smooth in central areas, otherwise slight or moderate.
Wintry showers in north, rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northerly 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate later.
Wintry showers then fair.
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northerly becoming variable 3 or 4, but becoming northwesterly 5 or 6 later in southwest.
Moderate, becoming rough or very rough later.
Wintry showers in north, rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Saturday 05 Mar 2016 at 0600 UTC until Saturday 05 Mar 2016 at 1800 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A slack area of low pressure covers the Shetland Basin at first, while a fresh to strong and increasingly cold Northerly flow covers waters close to and west of Shetland.

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

North or northeast 5 to 7, occasionally 4 in the east.

Mainly rough, occasionally moderate in the east.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally moderate or poor.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1800 UTC on Saturday 05 Mar until 0600 UTC on Sunday 06 Mar:

Northerly 5 or 6, decreasing mainly 4 later.

Rough in the west at first, otherwise moderate.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North to northeast 3 to 5, locally 6 in the west of the area, becoming generally 5 to 6 during the morning, decreasing 3 to 4 after midnight and backing north to northwest by dawn.

Moderate to rather rough, locally rough in the southwest until mid-afternoon.

Isolated wintry showers slight risk of thunder.

Good, becoming moderate to poor in showers.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 3 to 4, perhaps occasionally 5, veering northeast overnight.

Moderate, occasionally, becoming slight to moderate with low swell.

Scattered rain or hail showers, perhaps with sleet.

Good, occasionally moderate to poor in showers.

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