

AND NOW THE SHIPPING FORECAST ISSUED BY THE MET OFFICE, ON BEHALF OF THE MARITIME AND COASTGUARD AGENCY, AT 0015 ON FRIDAY 05 SEPTEMBER 2008

THERE ARE WARNINGS OF GALES IN GERMAN BIGHT WIGHT PORTLAND PLYMOUTH BISCAY FITZROY SOLE LUNDY FASTNET IRISH SEA AND SHANNON

THE GENERAL SYNOPSIS AT 1900

LOW 50 MILES WEST OF SOLE 982 EXPECTED LUNDY 980 BY 1900 FRIDAY. LOW FAIR ISLE 994 LOSING ITS IDENTITY

THE AREA FORECASTS FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS

VIKING NORTH UTSIRE SOUTH UTSIRE

NORTHERLY 4 OR 5. MODERATE. SHOWERS. GOOD

FORTIES CROMARTY FORTH TYNE DOGGER

VARIABLE 3 OR 4 BECOMING NORTHEAST 5 TO 7, PERHAPS GALE 8 LATER. MODERATE, OCCASIONALLY ROUGH LATER. SHOWERS, RAIN LATER. GOOD, OCCASIONALLY MODERATE LATER

FISHER

SOUTHWEST BACKING EAST 3 OR 4, INCREASING 5 TO 7 LATER. MODERATE. SHOWERS. GOOD

GERMAN BIGHT HUMBER THAMES DOVER

SOUTHWESTERLY 4 OR 5, BUT 6 TO GALE 8 AT FIRST IN SOUTHEAST GERMAN BIGHT, BACKING SOUTHEASTERLY 5 TO 7, PERHAPS GALE 8 LATER. MODERATE OR ROUGH. SHOWERS THEN RAIN. GOOD BECOMING MODERATE

WIGHT PORTLAND PLYMOUTH BISCAY

SOUTH VEERING SOUTHWEST 6 TO GALE 8, OCCASIONALLY SEVERE GALE 9 IN PLYMOUTH AND BISCAY. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY HIGH IN BISCAY. RAIN THEN SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

TRAFALGAR

SOUTHWESTERLY 4 OR 5, BUT 6 OR 7 IN NORTH, VEERING NORTHWESTERLY 5 LATER IN NORTHWEST. MODERATE OR ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY VERY ROUGH IN NORTH. OCCASIONAL RAIN. MODERATE OR GOOD

FITZROY

SOUTHWESTERLY VEERING NORTHWESTERLY 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9, DECREASING 5 IN SOUTHWEST. VERY ROUGH OR HIGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

SOLE

CYCLONIC BECOMING NORTHWESTERLY 6 TO GALE 8, OCCASIONALLY SEVERE GALE 9 IN WEST. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

LUNDY

SOUTHEASTERLY BECOMING CYCLONIC 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8 IN NORTHWEST. MODERATE OR ROUGH. OCCASIONAL RAIN. MODERATE OR GOOD

FASTNET

EAST 6 TO GALE 8 BECOMING CYCLONIC THEN NORTHWEST, PERHAPS SEVERE GALE 9 LATER. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

IRISH SEA

SOUTHEAST 4 BACKING NORTHEAST 5 TO 7, INCREASING GALE 8 FOR A TIME. SLIGHT BECOMING MODERATE OR ROUGH. RAIN. MODERATE OR GOOD

SHANNON

NORTHEASTERLY BACKING NORTHWESTERLY 6 TO GALE 8, OCCASIONALLY SEVERE GALE 9 IN SOUTH. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

ROCKALL MALIN HEBRIDES BAILEY

NORTHEASTERLY 5 TO 7, BUT 4 AT FIRST IN MALIN AND CYCLONIC AT FIRST IN HEBRIDES, DECREASING 4 IN NORTHWEST BAILEY, PERHAPS GALE 8 LATER IN ROCKALL AND MALIN. MODERATE OR ROUGH. SHOWERS. GOOD

FAIR ISLE FAEROES

NORTHEASTERLY 4 OR 5, BUT 6 OR 7 AT FIRST SOUTHWEST. MODERATE, OCCASIONALLY ROUGH AT FIRST. SHOWERS. GOOD

SOUTHEAST ICELAND

NORTHEASTERLY BACKING SOUTHWESTERLY 3 OR 4. SLIGHT OR MODERATE. FAIR. GOOD