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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1800 UTC Monday 03 April to 1800 UTC Tuesday 04 April 2017

General Situation

A series of Atlantic fronts will sweep eastwards this evening, bringing strong winds to western waters in particular. High pressure will then build across southwestern parts tomorrow, but it will remain unsettled and very windy in the far north.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly, veering westerly or southwesterly, 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 at times in north, perhaps severe gale 9 later near Orkney.

Slight in Moray Firth, otherwise moderate or rough, becoming very rough or high later in north.

Rain, then squally showers in north.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in north, then veering northwesterly 5 to 7 later.

Slight or moderate in Moray Firth, otherwise rough or very rough, but high or very high in north until later.

Squally showers at first.

Good, occasionally poor at first in north.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly, veering northwesterly for a time, 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times.

Slight or moderate.

Rain at first.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest, 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 at times near Rattray Head.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later near Rattray Head.

Fair.

Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest, 4 or 5, veering west or northwest 5 or 6 later.

Slight, occasionally moderate.

Rain at first.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times, then veering northwest 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Mainly good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 4 or 5, veering north or northwest 5 or 6 later.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate later.

Rain for a time.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North, backing west or northwest for a time, 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly 4 or 5, veering westerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, then veering northwesterly 4 or 5 later, occasionally 6 later in north.

Smooth or slight.

Fog patches at first, rain for a time.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly 5 or 6, backing westerly or northwesterly 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly, veering northwesterly later, but becoming variable for a time, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate later in west.

Fog patches, occasional rain at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northwesterly 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest, veering north later, 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or less for a time.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate later.

Occasional rain or drizzle at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest, veering north or northwest, 5 or 6, increasing 7 for a time near Isles of Scilly.

Rough or very rough west of the Lizard peninsula, otherwise slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or drizzle at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Rough west of the Lizard peninsula, otherwise slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest, veering north or northwest, 5 to 7.
Moderate in the Bristol Channel, otherwise rough or very rough.
Occasional rain or drizzle at first.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North or northwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.
Moderate or rough.
Mainly fair.
Good.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southerly, veering northwesterly, 5 to 7, becoming variable 3 or 4 later in north.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in southwest.
Occasional rain or drizzle at first.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 3 or less at first in north, otherwise north or northwest 4 or 5.
Slight or moderate.
Mainly fair.
Good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southerly or southwesterly, veering northwesterly, 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough.
Occasional rain or drizzle at first.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or northwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 for a time.
Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in shelter.
Fair.
Good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South or southwest, veering northwest, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, decreasing 3 or 4 later.
Moderate, occasionally rough at first, becoming slight later.
Occasional rain or drizzle at first.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or northwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.
Slight or moderate.
Mainly fair.
Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South, veering northwest, 5 to 7, backing west 4 or 5 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough.
Occasional rain, showers later.
Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly or northwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times until later in north.
Rough or very rough in north, otherwise slight or moderate.
Showers in north.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southerly, veering northwesterly, 5 to 7, then backing westerly 4 or 5 later. Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later near Mull of Kintyre. Occasional rain then showers. Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or northwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first near Mull of Kintyre. Slight or moderate, occasionally rough near Mull of Kintyre. Showers. Good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southeast, veering west or northwest, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first. Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later. Rain or drizzle then showers, becoming squally later in north. Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4 later. Rough or very rough, occasionally high at first. Squally showers at first. Good, occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southeasterly 6 to gale 8, veering westerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in far north. Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in far north and in far south. Rain and drizzle, then squally showers. Moderate, occasionally poor, becoming good later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first in north, decreasing 3 or 4 later. Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in far north and in far south. Squally showers at first. Good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly, veering westerly or southwesterly, 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 later in far north. Rough or very rough, becoming mainly high later. Rain and drizzle, then squally showers. Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or southwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 at first in far north, then veering northwesterly 4 or 5 later. Very rough or high, occasionally very high in north until later. Squally showers at first. Moderate, occasionally poor, becoming good later.

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

Valid Monday 03 Apr 2017 at 1800 UTC until Tuesday 04 Apr 2017 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

The region lies in a strong southerly airflow. Approaching Atlantic weather fronts will bring rain at first overnight, before the winds veer westerly in the early hours to bring squally showers and high seas.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Issued 0342UTC, 3 April 2017
Gale force 8 veering southwesterly and increasing severe gale force 9 later

South, veering west or southwest, 6 to gale 8, increasing severe gale 9 at times later.

Rough or very rough.

Rain or drizzle.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Tuesday 04 Apr until 1800 UTC on Tuesday 04 Apr:

West or southwest, 6 to gale 8, increasing severe gale 9 at times, perhaps storm 10 later.

Rough or very rough, becoming high or very high in north and west.

Squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

Variable 1 to 3, becoming southwest 4 to 5 by midnight, veering west to northwest overnight, then north to northeast Tuesday afternoon.

Smooth or slight, increasing moderate overnight, perhaps rather rough for a time, decreasing slight occasionally moderate by midday.

Occasional rain spreading in from the west, with mist or fog patches at times.

Moderate to good, occasionally poor or very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North to northeast 4 to 5, perhaps locally 6 at times, decreasing 3 to 4 in the afternoon.

Slight to moderate with a moderate swell, decreasing slight with a low swell by Wednesday afternoon.

A little light rain at times, clearing overnight.

Good, perhaps moderate at times.

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