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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0000 UTC Tuesday 04 January to 0000 UTC Wednesday 05 January
2011

General Situation

A deepening area of low pressure will become slow moving to the northwest of Scotland. Unsettled conditions with strong winds across northern areas will extend to all coasts during this forecast period.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly backing southerly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Moderate or rough, but mainly slight in Moray Firth.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable, mainly southerly 3 or 4, becoming cyclonic 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 later in northwest.

Slight in Moray Firth, otherwise moderate, but rough in northwest.

Rain or squally showers, wintry later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest, backing south 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first, decreasing 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South, veering southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, becoming variable 3 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers, then mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6.

Mainly moderate.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

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

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or showers, then mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times.

Slight or moderate.
Showers, rain later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor in south.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:
Southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6.
Slight or moderate.
Showers.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
South or southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times.
Slight or moderate.
Showers, rain later.
Good, becoming moderate occasionally poor.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:
Mainly southerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5, increasing 6 at times later in east.
Slight, occasionally moderate.
Showers, wintry at first.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwesterly, backing southerly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in east, decreasing 4 at times.
Slight or moderate.
Showers, then occasional rain.
Good, becoming moderate, occasionally poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:
Cyclonic becoming mainly southwest 4 or 5, decreasing 3 at times.
Slight or moderate.
Showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest backing south 4 or 5, occasionally 6, becoming variable 3 or less later.
Mainly moderate.
Showers, then rain.
Good, becoming moderate, occasionally poor.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:
Mainly north, backing southwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5.
Slight or moderate.
Showers.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest, backing south 4 or 5, occasionally 6, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.
Mainly moderate.
Showers, then occasional rain.
Moderate, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:
Variable becoming southwest 3 or 4, increasing 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.
Slight or moderate, but mainly smooth in east.
Showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Slight in east, otherwise moderate.

Showers, then occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate.

Showers, rain later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4, becoming variable later.

Moderate, occasionally slight later.

Rain or showers, then mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest, veering west 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Moderate, occasionally slight later.

Rain or showers, then fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 or 6, increasing 7 at times.

Moderate, occasionally rough.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 5 or 6, veering northwest later.

Moderate, occasionally rough at first.

Occasional rain, then fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in north, decreasing 4 at times.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in north.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly, becoming cyclonic 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in north, veering northerly or northwesterly 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, but rough or very rough in northwest.

Rain or squally showers, then fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 at times.
Slight becoming moderate.
Occasional rain.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest, backing south 5 or 6, occasionally 7, , becoming cyclonic, then northerly 4 or 5 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in north.
Rain or squally showers, then fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times.
Moderate or rough.
Rain or squally showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southerly or southwesterly, becoming cyclonic 5 to 7, then northerly 4 or 5 later.
Rough, occasionally very rough in west.
Rain or showers, wintry later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far north and far south.
Rain or squally showers, wintry later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southerly, backing easterly, then northerly 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 later in north.
Moderate or rough.
Wintry showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly, backing southerly 4 or 5, occasionally 6.
Mainly rough, but moderate in shelter.
Rain or squally showers, wintry later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southerly, backing easterly, then northerly 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 later in north.
Rough, becoming very rough in northwest.
Wintry showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Tuesday 04 Jan 2011 at 0000 UTC until Tuesday 04 Jan 2011 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation
Low over Faeroes will move southwards and deepen, expected off Hebrides later Tuesday.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil

Westerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in south.
Moderate, but rough at first in north.
Showers.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Tuesday 04 Jan until 0000 UTC on Wednesday 05 Jan:
Southwesterly backing southerly or southeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in south at first.
Mainly moderate.
Showers.
Moderate or good.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 4 or 5 in the southeast of the area at first, otherwise westerly or northwesterly 3 or 4, decreasing 2 or 3 this morning, backing south, increasing 4 this afternoon, then 5 or 6 later.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain, clearing overnight isolated showers in the evening.
Good, except in rain.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly 5 or 6, veering southwesterly later, becoming variable or cyclonic 2 to 4 in the west of the area towards midnight.
Slight or moderate in the south, moderate or rather rough in the north.
Rain at times.
Good, occasionally moderate or poor in rain.

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