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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore  
for the period 0600 UTC Saturday 05 January to 0600 UTC Sunday 06 January 2013

#### General Situation

A large area of high pressure will remain slow moving close to southern England with a mild and moist southwesterly airflow affecting the United Kingdom. A weakening cold front will move southeastwards across northern then central areas today, stalling across southern areas tonight, then returning northwards as a warm front on Sunday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times in east, veering westerly 5 or 6, backing southwesterly 3 or 4 later.

Moderate or rough north and west of Orkney, otherwise slight or moderate. Rain for a time.

Moderate or poor, becoming good later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 3 or 4, backing southerly or southeasterly 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough north and west of Orkney, otherwise slight or moderate. Fair then occasional rain.

Good, becoming moderate or poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest veering west later, 5 or 6, becoming variable 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain for a time later.

Moderate or poor, becoming good later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming south 5 or 6.

Slight or moderate.

Fair then occasional rain.

Good, becoming moderate, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

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

Mainly slight.

Occasional rain for a time later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 3 or 4, backing south or southeast 4 or 5.

Mainly slight.

Occasional rain, fog patches developing.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 3 or 4.

Mainly slight.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 3 or 4.

Slight.

Fog patches developing.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland  
24 hour forecast:  
Westerly or southwesterly 3 or 4.  
Slight.  
Occasional drizzle.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Westerly backing southwesterly later, 3 or 4.  
Slight.  
Occasional drizzle in south, fog patches.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill  
24 hour forecast:  
Westerly or southwesterly 3 or 4.  
Slight or moderate.  
Occasional drizzle.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Westerly backing southwesterly 3 or 4.  
Slight, occasionally moderate at first.  
Occasional drizzle.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis  
24 hour forecast:  
West or southwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5 near headlands.  
Slight or moderate.  
Occasional drizzle.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Southwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.  
Slight or moderate.  
Occasional drizzle.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in far west.  
Slight or moderate in east, moderate or rough in west.  
Occasional drizzle.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west.  
Slight or moderate in east, moderate or rough in west.  
Occasional drizzle.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Southerly or southwesterly, 3 or 4 in east, 5 or 6 in west.  
Slight in far east, otherwise moderate or rough.  
Occasional drizzle, fog patches developing.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Southerly or southwesterly 3 or 4 in east, 5 to 7 in west.

Slight in far east, otherwise moderate or rough.  
Occasional rain or drizzle, fog patches at first.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time later.  
Slight or moderate, becoming rough in far south.  
Occasional drizzle, fog patches developing.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 5 to 7.  
Moderate or rough, occasionally slight in northeast.  
Occasional rain or drizzle, fog patches.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 for a time, backing southeast 3 or 4 later.  
Slight or moderate.  
Occasional rain or drizzle.  
Good, occasionally poor, becoming very poor at times later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast 3 or 4, veering south 5 or 6.  
Slight or moderate.  
Occasional rain or drizzle, fog patches.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 5 or 6, veering southwest 3 or 4 later.  
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate, then slight later.  
Rain or drizzle for a time.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 3 or 4, backing south or southwest 5 or 6.  
Slight becoming moderate.  
Occasional rain or drizzle.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South 5 or 6, becoming variable 3 or 4 for a time.  
Slight or moderate.  
Occasional rain or drizzle, fair later.  
Moderate or poor, becoming good later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 5 to 7.  
Slight or moderate.  
Fair then occasional rain, fog patches for a time.  
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southerly 5 or 6, becoming variable 3 or 4 for a time.  
Slight or moderate.  
Occasional rain or drizzle, fair later.  
Moderate or poor, becoming good later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southeasterly 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate.

Fair then occasional rain or drizzle, fog patches developing.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southeast 5 to 7, veering west 4 or 5 for a time later.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in far west.

Occasional rain or drizzle, then fair.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 5 to 7, decreasing 4 for a time.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first in far west.

Fair then occasional rain, fog patches developing.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South veering west for a time later, 5 to 7, decreasing 4 later.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or drizzle then fair.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest, backing southeast for a time, 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7 for a time.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Fair then occasional rain, fog patches developing later.

Good, becoming moderate, occasionally very poor later.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South veering west for a time later, 5 to 7, decreasing 4 later.

Rough or very rough.

Occasional rain or drizzle then fair.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest, backing southeast for a time, 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7 for a time.

Rough or very rough, becoming moderate or rough.

Fair then occasional rain, fog patches developing later.

Good, becoming moderate, occasionally very poor later.

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

Valid Saturday 05 Jan 2013 at 0600 UTC until Saturday 05 Jan 2013 at 1800 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A ridge will decline east as a frontal system tracks towards Shetland and the surrounding waters from the west.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil.

South or southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 for a time.

Rough or very rough, occasionally moderate in east.

Occasional rain or drizzle, with a risk of fog patches.

Moderate or poor, occasionally very poor.

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

South or southwest 4 or 5 veering west or northwest, increasing 6 for a time.

Rough or very rough, occasionally moderate in east.

Occasional rain or drizzle, with a risk of fog patches, at first.

Moderate or poor, occasionally very poor, at first.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

Southwest to south 3 to 4.

Slight, locally moderate in the north.

Patchy light drizzle at times.

Good, occasionally moderate in drizzle.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South to southwest 3 to 4.

Slight with a swell.

Risk of a little drizzle at times.

Mainly good.

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