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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1800 UTC Friday 03 July to 1800 UTC Saturday 04 July 2020

General Situation

Low pressure over the Atlantic will bring a front laden southwesterly airflow to all areas during the next couple of days. It will be windy at times, and there is now the risk of an unusually active area of low pressure bringing gales to many areas during Sunday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic becoming west or southwest later, 4 or 5.

Smooth or slight in Moray Firth, otherwise slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or showers, fair for a time.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 4 or 5, becoming cyclonic 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in east, then northwesterly 5 or 6 later.

Smooth or slight at first in Moray Firth, otherwise slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good, becoming poor for a time.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic, mainly west or southwest 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 at times.

Slight or moderate north of Aberdeen, otherwise smooth or slight.

Occasional rain, fair for a time.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming cyclonic, mainly southwest, veering northwest later, 7 to severe gale 9.

Smooth or slight at first south of Aberdeen, otherwise slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later.

Rain, showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

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

Slight, occasionally moderate offshore.

Occasional rain.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming south 5 or 6, veering west or southwest 7 to severe gale 9.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough.

Occasional rain, fair later.

Moderate or good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 3 or 4, increasing 6 to gale 8, then veering west later.
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough.
Occasional rain, fair later.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 5 to 7, decreasing 4 later in north.
Moderate, occasionally slight near shore.
Occasional rain.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.
Moderate occasionally slight, becoming moderate or rough.
Occasional drizzle, fair later.
Good, occasionally moderate.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 5 to 7.
Moderate, occasionally rough.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.
Moderate or rough.
Occasional drizzle, fair later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 to 7.
Moderate or rough.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.
Moderate or rough.
Occasional drizzle, fair later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 to 7.
Moderate or rough.
Occasional rain or drizzle, fog patches developing.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest veering west later, 5 to 7.
Moderate or rough.
Drizzle, fog patches, fair later.
Moderate, occasionally very poor, becoming good later.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 for a time.
Moderate or rough.
Occasional rain, fog patches developing.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest veering west, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later.

Rain or drizzle, fog patches, becoming mainly fair.

Moderate, occasionally very poor, becoming good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 for a time.

Moderate, occasionally rough at first.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 to 7, increasing gale 8.

Moderate or rough.

Rain or drizzle, becoming mainly fair.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first, decreasing 4 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest veering west, 5 or 6, increasing 7 to severe gale 9.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later.

Rain or drizzle, then showers.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 3 to 5 later.

Slight becoming moderate or rough.

Occasional rain.

Good becoming moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 3 to 5.

Moderate or rough.

Rain or drizzle becoming fair later.

Moderate or poor becoming good later.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4, except in southeast.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight in east.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable or cyclonic 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in southeast, becoming westerly or southwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9.

Smooth or slight at first in east, otherwise slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later in north.

Rain or drizzle, then showers.

Moderate or poor, becoming mainly good.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4.
Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 3 or 4, becoming westerly or southwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9.
Smooth or slight becoming moderate or rough.
Rain or drizzle then showers.
Moderate or poor, becoming mainly good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point
24 hour forecast:
West backing southwest later, 3 or 4.
Slight or moderate.
Mainly fair, then occasional rain.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 3 or 4, becoming cyclonic, then west later, 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 5 or 6 later.
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later.
Rain then showers.
Moderate or poor, becoming mainly good.

The Minch - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Cyclonic at first in north, otherwise southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north.
Smooth at times in central areas, otherwise slight or moderate.
Showers, occasional rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwesterly 4 or 5, becoming cyclonic, then northwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 for a time in south.
Smooth or slight at first in central areas, otherwise slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough in south.
Rain then showers.
Moderate or poor, becoming mainly good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Cyclonic at first in north, otherwise southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north.
Slight at times near Sutherland, otherwise moderate.
Showers, occasional rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwesterly 4 or 5, becoming cyclonic, then northwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 for a time in south.
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough.
Rain then showers.
Moderate or poor, becoming mainly good.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Friday 03 Jul 2020 at 1800 UTC until Saturday 04 Jul 2020 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

An Atlantic low will become slow moving near Northwest Scotland on Friday with associated fronts approaching southern Shetland waters later in the day.

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

Easterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later in west
Slight or moderate
Occasional rain or showers in south.
Good, occasionally moderate in south

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Saturday 04 Jul until 1800 UTC on Saturday 04 Jul:

East veering southeast 3 to 5, veering southwest 3 or 4 later
Slight or moderate
Occasional rain.
Good, occasionally moderate

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West to southwest 4 to 6, locally variable 2 to 3 in the far south at first, backing southwesterly 5 to 7 by midnight, decreasing 4 to 6 Saturday morning. Moderate to rather rough with a low swell, occasionally slight in the southeast at first, increasing rough for a time mid-channel overnight. Occasional rain, drizzle and mist from late evening, a risk of fog patches, mainly Saturday afternoon.
Good, becoming moderate to poor overnight, perhaps locally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 4 to 6, perhaps occasionally 7 mid-channel overnight, veering west to northwest later. Moderate to rather rough with a low swell, locally slight in the southeast of the area, perhaps increasing rough in the far west later. Patchy rain, drizzle and mist with a risk of fog patches, clearing southeast on Sunday afternoon. Moderate to poor, perhaps locally very poor at times, becoming moderate to good later.

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