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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1200 UTC Monday 03 February to 1200 UTC Tuesday 04 February 2020

General Situation

A deep area of low pressure to the northwest of Scotland will maintain the strong, predominantly westerly airflow across the British Isles through this afternoon and overnight. High pressure will then build over the country on later Tuesday to bring a spell of much quieter weather.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly, becoming cyclonic, 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in north, becoming northerly 4 to 6 later.

Slight or moderate at first in south, otherwise moderate or rough, becoming very rough or high for a time in north.

Rain or wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northwesterly 4 to 6, backing westerly 4 or 5, then southwesterly 5 or 6 later, occasionally 7 in north.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate in south.

Showers, mainly in north.

Good.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly, veering northwesterly later, 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 at times.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough offshore.

Rain or wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 7, backing west, then southwest later, 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Showers at first.

Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West, veering northwest later, 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 at times.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough offshore.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4, then backing west later.

Moderate or rough becoming slight or moderate.

Showers at first.

Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West, veering northwest later, 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 at times.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough offshore.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4, then backing west later.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.
Rain or showers at first.
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later in north.
Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly 5 to 7, veering northwesterly 4 or 5, then becoming variable 3 or less later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first in north, becoming slight or moderate later.
Occasional rain at first.
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 5 or 6, veering westerly or northwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later.
Showers, occasional rain for a time.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly 6 or 7, decreasing 4 or 5, then 3 or less later.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate, then smooth or slight later.
Fair.
Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 4 or 5, veering west or northwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough.
Occasional rain then showers.
Moderate becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 6 or 7, decreasing 4 or 5, then veering north 3 or less later.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate, then smooth or slight later.
Fair.
Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 4 to 6, veering west or northwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.
Mainly slight northeast of torbay, otherwise moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in far southwest.
Occasional rain then showers.
Moderate becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4, then becoming variable 3 or less later.
Mainly slight northeast of torbay, otherwise moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate, occasionally smooth later in east.
Showers at first.
Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in west.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4, then becoming variable 3 or less later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Westerly, veering northwesterly later, 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 at times.

Moderate or rough.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4, then becoming variable 3 or less later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

West, veering northwest later, 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 at times.

Moderate or rough.

Showers, becoming thundery and wintry for a time.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4, then backing southwest later.

Moderate or rough becoming slight or moderate, then smooth or slight later.

Fair.

Good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest, veering northwest, 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8 for a time.

Moderate or rough.

Showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 6 or 7, decreasing 3 or 4, then backing southwest later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight.

Fair.

Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly, veering northwesterly later, 6 to gale 8, increasing severe gale 9 for a time in north.

Moderate or rough, but very rough or high in north.

Thundery wintry showers, becoming fair later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly 6 to gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5, then backing southwesterly 3 or 4 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first in north, becoming slight or

moderate, then smooth or slight later in east.
Fair.
Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Westerly, veering northwesterly later, 6 to gale 8, increasing severe gale 9 for a time.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in North Channel.

Thundery wintry showers, becoming fair later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly 6 to gale 8, decreasing 3 or 4, then backing southwesterly later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate, then smooth later in Firth of Clyde.

Fair.

Good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West veering northwest, 6 to gale 8, increasing severe gale 9 at times.

Very rough or high.

Wintry showers, occasionally thundery, mainly fair later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 6 to gale 8, backing west 3 or 4, then southwest 4 to 6 later.

Very rough or high, becoming moderate or rough, then moderate later.

Fair.

Good.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West veering northwest, 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 5 or 6 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in far north and in far south.

Rain or thundery wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest backing southwest 5 or 6, decreasing 4 for a time.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Showers at first.

Good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly veering northwesterly, 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 for a time in north, decreasing 5 or 6 later.

Very rough or high, occasionally very high for a time in north.

Rain or thundery wintry showers.

Moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest backing southwest 5 or 6, decreasing 4 for a time.

Very rough, becoming moderate or rough.

Showers at first.

Good.

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

Valid Monday 03 Feb 2020 at 1200 UTC until Tuesday 04 Feb 2020 at 0000 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A complex low and associated frontal systems will move over Shetland waters on Monday then move away across the North Sea on Tuesday

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle at time of issue: Westerly gale force 8 increasing storm force 10 soon, issued 0354 UTC 3rd Feb 2020

Cyclonic, mainly westerly or southwesterly, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in west Moderate or rough, but slight in shelter east of Shetland, becoming very rough or high, but moderate in shelter in east.

Rain or showers

Moderate or good

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0000 UTC on Tuesday 04 Feb until 1200 UTC on Tuesday 04 Feb:

Cyclonic 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8 in west, decreasing 3 to 5, then becoming northerly or northeasterly, 4 or 5 later

Very rough or high, becoming mainly rough, but moderate in sheltered waters close to Shetland.

Showers

Mainly good

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 3 to 6, veering northwest mid-afternoon, increasing 5 to 7 this evening, perhaps locally gale 8 overnight.

Slight to moderate in the south and moderate to rather rough in the north with a low to moderate swell, increasing rough this evening, perhaps very rough later. Rain and drizzle heavy at times with mist and the risk of fog patches, clearing this evening to isolated showers.

Moderate to poor, perhaps very poor for a time, becoming mainly good this evening.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 7, veering north 4 to 5 by midnight, decreasing 1 to 3 by morning, veering northeast to east by midday.

Rough, decreasing moderate to rather rough with a low to moderate swell overnight, further decreasing slight to moderate in the morning.

Risk of showers early Tuesday afternoon.

Mainly good.

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