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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0000 UTC Friday 03 December to 0000 UTC Saturday 04 December
2010

General Situation

A ridge of high pressure over Scotland will move southwards during rest of tonight. A new low will become established near northern Scotland by Friday, its associated frontal system then moving eastwards across all areas during Friday and Saturday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming southwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in north, becoming cyclonic later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far north.

Wintry showers, then rain or snow.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Cyclonic, becoming north or northwest 5 to 7, occasionally 4 at first.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later in north, but slight for a time in Moray Firth.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming south or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6.

Moderate, occasionally rough at first.

Wintry showers, occasional snow later.

Good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Mainly westerly west 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time, veering northwest later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later towards Rattray Head.

Occasional snow or wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming southwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7.

Moderate, occasionally rough at first.

Snow showers, then snow.

Good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4, veering northwest later.

Slight or moderate, but smooth inshore.

Occasional rain or snow.

Good, occasionally poor.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming southwest 5 or 6.

Moderate, occasionally rough at first.

Snow or snow showers.

Good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 or 6, veering west 3 or 4.
Slight or moderate, but smooth inshore.
Occasional rain or snow.
Good, occasionally poor.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Easterly or northeasterly, becoming variable 3 or 4, then south or southwest 4 or 5 later.

Mainly moderate.

Snow or wintry showers.

Good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, increasing 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 for a time, decreasing 4 later in north.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough for a time in south.

Occasional rain or snow.

Good, occasionally poor.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6, becoming variable 3 or less, then southwesterly 5 to 7 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.

Snow or wintry showers, becoming mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 for a time in east, veering westerly 4 for a time.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or snow.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 5 or 6, becoming variable, mainly southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.

Occasional snow, becoming mainly fair.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 to 7, veering west 4 for a time.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or sleet.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, becoming variable 3 or 4, then southwest 5 to 7 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.

Wintry showers, fair for a time, rain later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

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

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or sleet.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming southwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7 for a time, veering northwest 4 or 5 later.

Moderate in west at first, otherwise smooth or slight.

Wintry showers, then mainly fair, rain later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest, veering northwest at times, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times in south.

Slight in Bristol Channel, otherwise moderate, occasionally rough in west.

Occasional rain or sleet.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming southwest 5 to 7, veering west 3 or 4 later.

Moderate, decreasing smooth or slight for a time.

Wintry showers, rain or snow later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest, veering northwest later, 3 or 4, occasionally 5.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or snow.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming southwest 5 to 7, veering west 3 or 4 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming mainly moderate later.

Wintry showers, then occasional rain or snow.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest veering northwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5, veering north later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or snow, then wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable, becoming southwesterly 3 or less, increasing 4 or 5, occasionally 6 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Wintry showers, rain later.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 3 or 4, veering northwest 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Moderate or good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7, veering northwest 4 or 5 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate later.

Wintry showers, rain or snow for a time.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West veering north 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 at times later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later in north.

Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming southerly or southwesterly, 4 or 5, increasing 5 to 7 for a time, veering westerly or southwesterly later.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate later.

Wintry showers, rain or snow for a time.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly veering northwesterly 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.

Slight or moderate.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7, veering west 4 or 5 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate or rough.

Mainly fair, rain or snow for a time.

Good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West veering north 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7 later.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 or 5, increasing 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 for a time, veering westerly 4, then northerly 5 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate later south of skye.

Rain or snow for a time.

Good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7.

Slight for a time near skye, otherwise moderate, becoming rough in north.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 or 5, increasing 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 for a time, veering westerly 4, then northerly 5 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate or rough.

Rain or snow for a time.

Good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7.

Moderate or rough, becoming very rough in north and west.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

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

Valid Friday 03 Dec 2010 at 0000 UTC until Friday 03 Dec 2010 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Ridge will decline as shallow low moves east into Shetland waters during Friday.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Southwesterly gale force 8 expected soon.

Southwest backing south 5 to 7.
Moderate or rough.
Occasional rain or snow later.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Friday 03 Dec until 0000 UTC on Saturday 04 Dec:

Southerly 5 to 7 decreasing 3 in east but veering northerly in west.
Moderate or rough.
Occasional rain or snow.
Good, occasionally poor.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North 5 or 6, decreasing 4 or 5 by dawn, backing northwest 2 to 4 by midday, further backing southwest 4 or 5 by evening, then south 6 or 7 later.
Rather rough or rough becoming slight or moderate for a time.
Snow showers, becoming isolated by midday rain by late period.
Good, except in showers or rain.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 6 or 7, veering southwest, decreasing for a time 4 or 5.
Rather rough or rough.
Periods of rain, perhaps heavy risk of coastal fog.
Moderate locally poor or very poor.

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