

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Monday 08 Feb 2021 until 23:59 on Tuesday 09 Feb 2021

Forecast Issued on Monday 08 Feb 2021 at 02:42 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for very cold weather over the next few days with snow showers in the north, dry elsewhere.

Headline for Monday 08 Feb 2021: Bitterly cold with snow showers in the north, dry elsewhere.

Mountain weather hazards on Monday 08 Feb 2021

Blizzards

Low Likelihood

Heavy Snow

Low Likelihood

Storm force winds

No Likelihood

Gales

Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect

High Likelihood

Poor visibility

Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

No Likelihood

Strong sunlight

Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
					
Clear night	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Clear night	Clear night
Precipitation probability					
30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%

Forecast for Monday 08 Feb 2021

Weather: Ranges north of Inverness across to Torridon will see snow showers throughout the day, occasionally heavy, giving some locally moderate falls across northern areas of Easter Ross, as well as Sutherland and Caithness. Elsewhere it will be mainly dry with occasional light snow showers and plenty of dry weather.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 60% in the north, little in the way of low cloud elsewhere.

Visibility: Becoming poor across the north in snow showers as patchy cloud lowers to around 600 metres. Visibility becoming very poor in snow and blowing snow. Otherwise excellent with great air clarity, but some glare off lying snow.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)				Wind Direction (blowing from)		
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	34/41 E	29/36 E	28/36 E	26/33 E	28/37 E	30/39 E	27/34 E
900	33/39 E	27/34 E	25/33 E	24/31 E	27/36 E	28/37 E	25/33 E
600	19/26 E	16/24 E	17/25 E	15/22 E	17/27 E	16/26 E	16/24 E
300	5/27 E	5/24 E	6/25 E	5/23 E	7/26 E	5/25 E	6/24 E
Glen	12/25 E	11/23 E	12/24 E	9/21 E	11/24 E	10/23 E	10/21 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-9/-20	-9/-20	-9/-19	-8/-18	-9/-19	-9/-20	-9/-20
900	-8/-19	-8/-18	-8/-18	-7/-17	-8/-18	-8/-19	-9/-19
600	-6/-14	-6/-13	-5/-13	-5/-12	-6/-13	-6/-14	-6/-14
300	-4/-8	-4/-7	-2/-6	-2/-5	-4/-8	-5/-8	-5/-9
Glen	-2/-8	-2/-7	0/-5	1/-3	-1/-7	-2/-7	-2/-8
Freezing Level*	00m	00m	00m	00m	00m	00m	00m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Severe wind chill even at modest elevations. Fresh snow will be blowing around and may obscure recent tracks.

Forecast for Tuesday 09 Feb 2021

Weather: Little change, remaining very cold with further snow showers across the north, occasionally heavy. Staying largely dry elsewhere with the best of the sunshine.

Maximum wind: Gusts to 35 mph on the higher tops. Severe wind chill at height.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 60% across the north. Little in the way of low cloud elsewhere.

Visibility: Poor in snow showers or blowing snow, and in patchy cloud down to 550 metres across the north as showers run through. Otherwise excellent with great clarity.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 10 rising to minus 2 Celsius
At 800m: Minus 5 Celsius
Freezing level: Surface