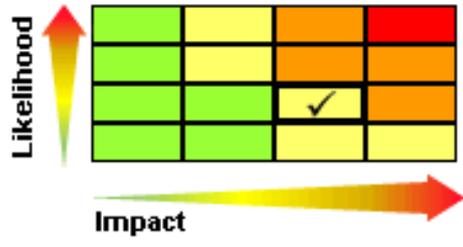
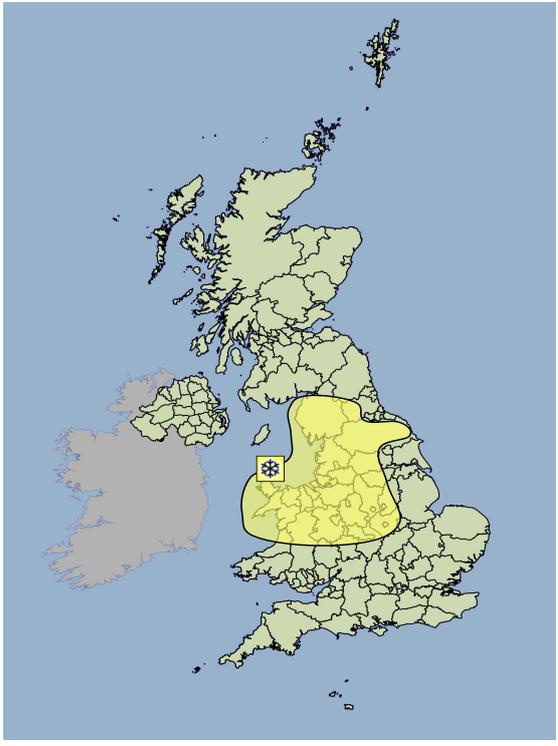


National Severe Weather Warning Service



Chief Forecasters Assessment

A developing low pressure system is expected to move southeastwards across the UK on Thursday, bringing a band of rain which is expected at times to turn to sleet or wet snow. The main risk of accumulating snow is during Friday on high ground of northern England and north Wales above around 200 m, where 2 to 5 cm is expected. Above 300 m around 10 cm or more could accumulate, with some drifting possible in the strong winds which develop around the periphery of the low pressure centre.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Alert of Snow**

Valid from **21:00 on Thu, 03rd Mar 2016** until **15:00 on Fri, 04th Mar 2016**

A band of rain, sleet and hill snow is expected to cross Northern Ireland and southwest Scotland on Thursday afternoon, moving into northern England and north Wales during Thursday evening. Snow is not currently expected to be disruptive at low levels, but is expected to settle on high ground above 200 metres. Please be aware of the likelihood of difficult driving conditions, and that some moderate-level disruption is possible.

There remains some uncertainty about the northern extent of the precipitation. The precipitation type is also finely balanced, with its intensity having a bearing on whether it falls as rain or snow to low levels. This warning will therefore be kept under review and be updated as necessary.

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