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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0600 UTC Tuesday 03 January to 0600 UTC Wednesday 04 January
2012

General Situation

A deep low, crossing northern Scotland on Tuesday morning, will reach southern Sweden by early Wednesday. Storms or violent storms will affect many sea areas for a time, followed by a showery northwesterly airflow.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

East, becoming cyclonic, 7 to severe gale 9, then becoming northwest gale 8 to storm 10, then backing west 6 to gale 8 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough, but high at first in northwest.

Rain, then squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West, veering northwest later, 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 later.

Moderate or rough, but very rough, occasionally high in northwest.

Squally showers, rain for a time.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 6 to gale 8, veering west gale 8 to storm 10, increasing violent storm 11 for a time, decreasing 6 or 7 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming very rough for a time.

Rain, then squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West, veering northwest later, 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough.

Squally showers, rain for a time.

Moderate or good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly, veering westerly, gale 8 to storm 10, increasing violent storm 11 for a time in north, then decreasing 6 or 7 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming very rough for a time.

Squally showers, rain at first.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly, veering northwesterly later, 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 later.

Moderate, occasionally rough.

Squally showers, rain for a time.

Moderate or good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly, veering westerly, gale 8 or severe gale 9, increasing storm 10 for a time in north, decreasing 6 or 7 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming very rough for a time in north.

Squally showers, rain at first.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly, veering northwesterly later, 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 later.
Moderate, occasionally rough.
Rain or squally showers.
Moderate or good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 7 to severe gale 9, increasing storm 10 for a time in south, then veering westerly 6 to gale 8.
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough for a time.
Rain then squally showers, fair later.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8 later, perhaps severe gale 9 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough.
Fair then occasional rain.
Moderate or good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly gale 8 to storm 10, veering westerly 6 or 7.
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough for a time.
Rain or squally showers, fair later.
Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8 later, perhaps severe gale 9 later.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later.
Occasional rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest gale 8 to storm 10, veering west 6 or 7.
Rough or very rough, becoming high for a time near headlands.
Rain or squally showers then fair.
Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8 later, perhaps severe gale 9 later.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later.
Occasional rain later.
Good, occasionally moderate later.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest gale 8 or severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 at first, decreasing 6 or 7, then veering northwest 5 to 7 later.
Rough or very rough, occasionally high.
Rain or squally showers then fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 7, backing west 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 later.
Rough or very rough, occasionally high in west.
Fair then occasional rain.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor in west.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest gale 8 or severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 at first, decreasing 6 or 7, then veering northwest 6 or 7 later.
Rough or very rough, but high for a time in west.

Squally showers then fair, rain at first.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest, backing west, 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 later.
Rough or very rough, occasionally high later.
Fair then occasional rain.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest, veering west, 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 at first,
then veering northwest 6 or 7 later.
Rough or very rough, occasionally high at first near St Davids Head.
Squally showers then fair, rain at first.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest, backing west, 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 later.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough.
Fair then occasional rain.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South or southwest, veering west, gale 8 to storm 10, decreasing 6 or 7 later.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough.
Squally showers, rain at first.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West, veering northwest later, 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 later.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough.
Rain or squally showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Isle of Man - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest, veering west, gale 8 or severe gale 9, decreasing 6 or 7 later.
Rough, occasionally very rough.
Squally showers, rain at first.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West 6, increasing 7 to severe gale 9.
Rough, occasionally very rough later.
Occasional rain, fair later.
Moderate or good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly gale 8 to storm 10, decreasing 6 or 7.
Moderate or rough, but very rough or high in north.
Squally showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly, veering northwesterly later, 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9
in north.
Moderate or rough, but very rough or high in north.
Rain or squally showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor in north.

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

Channel - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West gale 8 to storm 10, decreasing 6 or 7.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough.

Squally showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West, veering northwest later, 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West severe gale 9 or storm 10, occasionally violent storm 11 at first, decreasing 6 to gale 8.

Very rough or high.

Squally showers, rain at first.

Moderate, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West, veering northwest later, 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 later.

Very rough or high, occasionally very high later near Tiree.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 at first in south, becoming westerly or northwesterly 6 to gale 8.

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

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

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

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

Squally showers, rain for a time.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 at first in south, becoming westerly or northwesterly 6 to gale 8.

High, becoming very rough for a time in north.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

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

Very rough or high.

Squally showers, rain for a time.

Moderate, occasionally poor.

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

Valid Tuesday 03 Jan 2012 at 0600 UTC until Tuesday 03 Jan 2012 at 1800 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A deep low will track east or northeast over Scotland and towards the southern Sweden.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Gale force 8 backing Northerly and increasing storm force 10 later, issued 02/1538.

South 4 or 5 backing northeast 5 to 7, then north 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 later.

Very rough or high.

Wintry showers then rain.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good at first.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1800 UTC on Tuesday 03 Jan until 0600 UTC on Wednesday 04 Jan:

North backing northwest 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 at first.

Very rough or high.

Rain then wintry showers.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good later.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 7 to severe gale 9, locally storm 10 with gusts to 65 kt mid-channel, veering west to northwest decreasing 6 to 7 with gusts to 45kt this afternoon.

Rough to very rough becoming high for a time in the north this morning.

Occasional rain becoming persistent and heavier mid to late morning, clearing during the afternoon, then isolated showers.

Good becoming moderate to poor in rain.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 6, locally 7 in the north at first, backing west during the morning, increasing 7 to gale 8 with gusts to 50kt in the evening.

Rough to very rough.

Patchy rain, mainly overnight.

Good except in rain.

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