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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1200 UTC Thursday 03 May to 1200 UTC Friday 04 May 2018

General Situation

A brisk and changeable westerly airflow will persist across the northern half of the United Kingdom. Meanwhile, further south, a ridge of high pressure will bring quiet conditions for the next few days.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later in northwest, decreasing 4 at times in east.

Smooth or slight in Moray Firth, otherwise slight or moderate in east and moderate or rough in north.

Occasional rain or drizzle, mainly in north.

Good, occasionally poor in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 or 6, increasing 7 or gale 8 at times in far northwest.

Smooth or slight in Moray Firth, otherwise slight or moderate in east and moderate or rough in north.

Occasional drizzle in north.

Good, occasionally poor in north.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight in south.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north.

Slight or moderate until later in north, otherwise smooth or slight.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in north.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable, mainly southerly or southwesterly, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Variable, mainly south or southwest, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable, mainly south, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Variable, mainly southerly or southwesterly 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming southwesterly 3 or 4 for a time.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less, becoming northeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

Variable, mainly southwest 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less, becoming northeast 3 or 4 later.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first in west, becoming variable 3 or less later.

Moderate in far west, otherwise smooth or slight.

Occasional drizzle and fog patches later, mainly in west.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor later, mainly in west.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less.

Slight or moderate in west, otherwise smooth or slight.

Fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first, becoming variable 3 or less later.

Smooth or slight in Bristol Channel, otherwise slight or moderate.

Occasional drizzle with fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less.

Smooth or slight in Bristol Channel, otherwise slight or moderate.

Fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight later.

Occasional drizzle with fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable, mainly southerly, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 for a time, decreasing 3 at times later.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight later.

Occasional rain or drizzle, with fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable, mainly southerly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in north.

Smooth or slight.

Fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, veering southwest 3 or 4 later.

Slight, occasionally moderate for a time.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest, 3 or 4.

Slight.

Fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 for a time in east, decreasing 3 at times later.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight later in southeast.

Occasional rain or drizzle, with fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable, mainly southerly 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in southeast.

Occasional drizzle in north, fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 for a time, decreasing 3 at times later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth later in shelter.

Occasional rain or drizzle, with fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable, mainly southerly 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in shelter.

Fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly veering southwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate in southeast.

Occasional rain or drizzle, fog patches developing in southeast.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor in southeast.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in northwest, decreasing 4 at times in southeast.

Slight or moderate in southeast, otherwise moderate or rough.

Occasional drizzle, with fog patches in southeast.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor in southeast.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far north and in far south.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming rough or very rough later in west.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

Valid Thursday 03 May 2018 at 1200 UTC until Friday 04 May 2018 at 0000 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A warm front will move northeast across Shetland waters this afternoon introducing a moist southwesterly airstream.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil at time of issue.

South or southwest 5 or 6
Moderate or rough, but slight in well sheltered eastern waters
Occasional rain or drizzle
Moderate or good

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0000 UTC on Friday 04 May until 1200 UTC on Friday 04 May:

Southwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later
Moderate or rough, but slight in well sheltered eastern waters
Occasional rain or drizzle
Moderate or good, occasionally poor

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 2 to 3, locally 4, backing west in the north of the area during this afternoon, becoming generally variable 1 to 3 overnight.

Smooth or slight.

Mist or fog patches from dawn, especially in the west.

Good, perhaps locally poor or very poor by dawn.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 1 to 3, becoming northerly 2 to 4 Friday afternoon, then northeast early evening.

Smooth or slight with a low swell.

Mist or fog patches, especially in the west, clearing Saturday morning.

Good, perhaps locally poor or very poor.

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