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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore from 0001 UTC to 2359 UTC

General Situation

A vigorous low in the northern North Sea moves away northeastwards, with a ridge of high pressure then building over most of the United Kingdom on Sunday. Frontal troughs near the far south move northeast from Sunday night to affect southern and some southwestern areas on Monday.

From Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly, gale 8 or severe gale 9 in east at first, otherwise 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4 later, then backing southerly or southwesterly 3 or 4. Rough or very rough, occasionally high at first near Cape Wrath, decreasing moderate or rough, but mainly moderate in Moray Firth. Squally showers, rain later. Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly veering westerly 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7 in north. Moderate or rough, but slight in southeast. Rain or showers. Moderate or good.

Rattray Head to Berwick on Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 3 or 4 later, then backing southwest. Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in far north at first, decreasing slight or moderate later. Showers, squally at first. Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in north. Slight or moderate. Showers. Good.

Berwick on Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 6 to gale 8, decreasing 3 or 4 later, then backing southwest. Moderate or rough decreasing slight or moderate. Mainly fair. Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest backing south 3 or 4. Slight or moderate. Showers. Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 6 to gale 8, decreasing 3 or 4 later, then backing southwest. Moderate or rough decreasing slight or moderate. Mainly fair. Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or southwest backing southeast 3 or 4.
Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West veering northwest 6 to gale 8 decreasing 3 or 4, backing southwest later.
Slight or moderate, but rough in east at first.
Mainly fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest backing east 3 or 4.
Slight.
Rain in south later.
Moderate or good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest, veering northwest for a time, 5 to 7 decreasing 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less later.
Moderate or rough decreasing slight.
Showers then fair.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable becoming easterly 3 or 4.
Slight.
Rain for a time.
Moderate or good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West 5 to 7 veering northwest 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less later.
Moderate decreasing slight.
Showers then fair.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable becoming easterly 3 or 4.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain.
Good becoming moderate.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly 5 or 6 veering northwesterly 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less, but easterly 4 in west later.
Moderate decreasing slight.
Showers then fair.
Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Easterly or southeasterly 3 or 4 increasing 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west later.
Slight becoming moderate.
Occasional rain.
Good becoming moderate or poor.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 5 or 6 decreasing 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less, then easterly 4 in far southwest later.
Moderate decreasing slight.
Showers then fair.
Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Mainly east or southeast 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 in southwest.
Slight, increasing moderate in west.
Rain later.
Good becoming moderate.

St Davids Head to Great Ormes Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northwest 5 or 6 decreasing 3 or 4, then backing southwest later.
Moderate decreasing slight.
Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwesterly backing easterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in south later.
Slight, occasionally moderate in south later.
Showers later.
Moderate or good.

Great Ormes Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northwest 5 to 7 decreasing 3 or 4, backing west or southwest later.
Moderate or rough decreasing slight.
Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or southwest backing south or southeast 3 or 4.
Slight.
Showers.
Mainly good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or northwest 5 or 6 decreasing 3 or 4.
Moderate or rough decreasing slight.
Showers.
Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West backing south or southeast 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 later.
Slight, increasing moderate or rough later.
Rain later.
Good becoming moderate.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northwest 5 to 7 decreasing 3 or 4, then backing southwest.
Rough or very rough in north at first, otherwise slight or moderate.
Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest backing south or southeast 3 or 4.
Slight or moderate.
Showers.
Mainly good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 5 to 7 decreasing 3 or 4, then backing southwest.

Rough or very rough in northwest at first, otherwise slight or moderate.

Showers.

Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest backing south or southeast 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

South.

Mainly good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 5 to 7 decreasing 3 or 4, then backing west or southwest.

Rough or very rough decreasing moderate or rough.

Showers.

Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest backing south 3 or 4.

Moderate or rough decreasing slight or moderate.

Showers.

Mainly good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath including the Outer Hebrides - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 5 to 7 decreasing 3 or 4, then backing southerly, later becoming cyclonic 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north.

Very rough or high decreasing rough.

Squally showers, rain later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Cyclonic becoming westerly backing southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north.

Moderate or rough.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

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

Valid Sunday 04 Oct 2009 at 0000 UTC until Sunday 04 Oct 2009 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Deep depression centred near Bergen will move away east over Scandinavia, with the very strong north or northwesterly airflow over Shetland easing over the next 24 hours.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Northerly severe gale force 9.

North or northwest 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 at first, decreasing 4 or 5.

Rough or very rough, occasionally moderate in east.

Squally showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Sunday 04 Oct until 0000 UTC on Monday 05 Oct:

Northerly or northwesterly 4 or 5, decreasing variable 3 or less in southwest later.

Rough, occasionally very rough at first, and occasionally moderate in east. Showers.

Moderate or good.

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