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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0000 UTC Friday 04 March to 0000 UTC Saturday 05 March 2011

General Situation

High pressure will remain slow moving over the United Kingdom throughout, but low pressure over the Continent will result in strong winds at times along English Channel coasts.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in north, veering northwest later. Smooth or slight in Moray Firth, otherwise moderate, occasionally rough in north.

Fair then occasional rain or drizzle.

Good, occasionally very poor in Moray Firth.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5, veering southeasterly later.

Smooth or slight in Moray Firth, otherwise moderate, occasionally rough north and west of Orkney.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or poor, becoming mainly good.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming westerly 3 or 4, veering northwesterly later.

Smooth or slight.

Fog patches, occasional rain later in north.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly veering southeasterly 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain at first then fair.

Moderate, occasionally poor, becoming good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fog patches.

Moderate, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly veering easterly 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain or drizzle then fair.

Moderate, occasionally poor at first, becoming good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable becoming easterly 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fog patches at first, occasional rain or drizzle, fair later.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 3 or 4, but 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in south at first.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate at first.

Fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate later.

Fog patches at first, occasional rain or drizzle, fair later.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate at first.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Mainly northeasterly 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times later.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair, occasional rain or drizzle later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate at first.

Fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or northeast 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times later.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in east.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or northeast 4 or 5, decreasing 3 at times.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

East or northeast 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.

Mainly moderate in southwest, otherwise smooth or slight.

Fog patches in east.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 3 or 4.

Moderate in far southwest at first, otherwise smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel
24 hour forecast:
Variable mainly easterly 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight.
Mainly fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 3 or less becoming east 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight.
Mainly fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway
24 hour forecast:
Variable or southeasterly 3 or less, increasing 4 at times in south.
Smooth or slight.
Fog patches.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable, becoming mainly southeasterly 3 or less.
Smooth or slight.
Fog patches at first, otherwise mainly fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Isle of Man
24 hour forecast:
Variable 3 or less.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 3 or less.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough
24 hour forecast:
Variable 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight in southeast, mainly moderate in north.
Fog patches at first otherwise mainly fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 3 or less, increasing 4 at times later.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in north.
Fog patches, otherwise mainly fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel
24 hour forecast:
Variable 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate at first in north.
Fog patches, occasional rain or drizzle later.
Moderate, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less.
Smooth or slight.
Occasional rain or drizzle then mainly fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first in west.

Fog patches at first, occasional rain or drizzle later.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less becoming southerly 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or drizzle then mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

The Minch

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly, veering northwesterly 3 or 4, increasing 5 for a time in north.

Slight, but moderate in north and far south.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northwesterly veering southerly 3 or 4, increasing 4 or 5 later.

Slight, but moderate in north and far south.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly, veering northwesterly 3 or 4, increasing 5 for a time in north.

Mainly moderate, occasionally rough in north.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northwesterly veering southerly 3 or 4, increasing 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first in north.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

Valid Friday 04 Mar 2011 at 0000 UTC until Friday 04 Mar 2011 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

The west or southwest airflow affecting Shetland will veer northwest with the passage of a front.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil

Westerly or southwesterly 5 or 6, occasionally 4 in south at first.

Moderate or rough, but slight to the east of Shetland.

Rain developing.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Friday 04 Mar until 0000 UTC on Saturday 05 Mar:

Westerly veering northwesterly 5 or 6, decreasing 4 at times.
Moderate or rough, but slight to the east of Shetland.
Rain clearing.
Moderate or good.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 5 to 6, veering east in the morning, then northeast to east 4 to 5
early afternoon, decreasing 4 in the evening.

Moderate to rather rough becoming slight to moderate later.

Mainly fair but locally hazy.

Moderate to good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 3 to 4.

Slight to moderate.

Fair with some mist or fog patches near the french coast early Saturday
becoming mainly cloudy by the afternoon.

Moderate to good, locally poor or very poor early Saturday.

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