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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1200 UTC Thursday 03 February to 1200 UTC Friday 04 February
2011

General Situation

Intense areas of low pressure will bring very unsettled and very windy conditions to the United Kingdom during the next few days with the prospect of very stormy winds at times in the north.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly, backing southerly for a time, 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally violent storm 11 in north, decreasing 5 to 7 later.

Rough or very rough, occasionally high in west and moderate in Moray Firth.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or southwesterly 5 to 7 increasing 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 in north for a time.

Moderate in east, otherwise rough or very rough, but high or very high in north.

Rain, then squally wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 or 6, increasing 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 in north, decreasing 5 or 6 later.

Moderate or rough.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly veering westerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8.

Rough or very rough.

Rain then squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 or 5, increasing 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 5 or 6 later.

Moderate or rough.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 5 or 6, increasing 7 or gale 8 for a time.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 or 5, increasing 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 5 or 6 later.

Moderate or rough.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 5 or 6, increasing 7 or gale 8 for a time.

Moderate or rough.
Occasional rain.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 later in south.

Moderate or rough.

Rain later.

Good, becoming moderate, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 at first in south.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 4 or 5 increasing 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 later in east.

Moderate or rough.

Mainly fair, occasional drizzle later.

Good, becoming moderate, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 at first.

Rough or very rough.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Moderate or rough.

Fair then occasional drizzle.

Good, becoming moderate, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 6 to gale 8.

Rough or very rough.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

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

Fair then occasional drizzle.

Good, becoming moderate, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in west for a time.

Rough or very rough in east, very rough or high in west.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 4 or 5 increasing 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 later in northwest.

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

Occasional rain later.

Good, becoming moderate, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in west for a time.

Moderate or rough in east, very rough or high in west.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 6 to gale 8, increasing severe gale 9 at times.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in west.

Occasional rain later.

Good, becoming moderate, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 for a time, decreasing 5 or 6 later.

Rough or very rough, occasionally high near St Davids Head.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

South 5 to 7, veering southwest 7 to severe gale 9, then veering west 5 or 6 for a time.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 for a time, veering west 4 or 5 later.

Rough or very rough.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate, occasionally poor.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 6 to gale 8, in severe gale 9 at times, veering west or southwest 5 or 6 for a time.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough.

Rain at times.

Good, becoming moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 or 6, increasing 7 to severe gale 9 for a time.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly, veering westerly for a time, 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 in far northwest, decreasing 4 or 5 for a time.

Moderate or rough, but very rough or high in north.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 7 to severe gale 9, veering westerly 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough, but very rough or high in north.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest, veering west for a time, 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 4 or 5 for a time.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in far northwest.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 7 to severe gale 9, veering west 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in far northwest.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South veering southwest 7 to severe gale 9, veering westerly severe gale 9 to violent storm 11 for a time, decreasing 5 or 6 later.

High or very high.

Rain then squally showers.

Moderate, occasionally poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 7 to severe gale 9, veering west 5 to 7.

High or very high.

Rain then squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South, veering west or southwest, 7 to severe gale 9, increasing severe gale 9 to violent storm 11, decreasing 5 or 6 later.

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

Rain then squally showers.

Moderate, occasionally poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southeasterly 5 to 7, soon veering west or southwesterly 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 for a time.

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

Rain then squally wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly, veering westerly or southwesterly, 7 to severe gale 9, increasing severe gale 9 to violent storm 11, increasing hurricane force 12 for a time west of the Outer Hebrides, decreasing 5 or 6 later.

High or very high.

Rain then squally showers.

Moderate, occasionally poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southeasterly 5 to 7, soon veering west or southwesterly 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 for a time.

High or very high, becoming phenomenal for a time in west.

Rain then squally wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

Valid Thursday 03 Feb 2011 at 1200 UTC until Friday 04 Feb 2011 at 0000 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A deep low will move northeast in the Norwegian Sea. Another deep depression will move northeast close to the Faeroes on Thursday night.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Severe gale force 9 backing southerly and increasing violent storm force 11 soon, veering westerly later, issued at 0432

West 6 to gale 8 backing south or southeast gale 8 to storm 10, veering southwest gale 8 or severe gale 9 later.

Very rough or high, occasionally very high in the west, but rough at first in the east.

Rain for a time.

Moderate or poor.

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

Southwest gale 8 or severe gale 9 veering west severe gale 9 to violent storm 11, decreasing 7 or gale 8 later.

Very rough or high, occasionally rough in the east, becoming very high in the west.

Rain or wintry showers.

Moderate or poor.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 3 to 4, increasing 4 to 5 by mid-afternoon and 5 in the south to 7 in the north overnight, occasionally gale 8 mid-channel later.

Slight to moderate, increasing moderate in the south to rough in the north overnight.

Patchy light drizzle on Friday.

Moderate to good, locally poor in drizzle.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in mid-channel.

Moderate in the south to rough in the north of the area.

Risk of patchy a little drizzle at times.

Moderate to good.

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