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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1800 UTC Sunday 02 January to 1800 UTC Monday 03 January 2011

General Situation

High pressure will cover the United Kingdom overnight and early Monday, drifting slowly southeastwards with a small area of low pressure moving across the southwest then east through the channel at the same time. A deepening low pressure will become slow moving between Scotland and Iceland from early Monday, bringing rain and strengthening winds across northern areas.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly, backing southwesterly for a time, 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 for a time later in northwest.

Moderate or rough, but slight or moderate in Moray Firth.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly 5 or 6, occasionally 7, backing southerly 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough, but slight or moderate in Moray Firth.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest backing southwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5, increasing 6 or 7 later.

Moderate, occasionally rough at first in north, becoming slight or moderate later.

Showers, rain later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly backing westerly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later in north, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time.

Rough, becoming moderate later.

Wintry showers, occasional rain later in north.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7, but 4 for a time at first in south.

Moderate, occasionally slight later.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly backing southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5.

Rough, becoming mainly moderate later.

Wintry showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6, increasing 7 at times in north.
Mainly moderate, becoming slight later.
Occasional rain.
Moderate or good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly, backing southwesterly later, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.
Slight or moderate.
Wintry showers.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 at times.
Mainly slight.
Occasional rain or sleet.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Northerly becoming variable then southerly 3 or less, occasionally 4.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate at first in east.
Showers.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Mainly southerly or southwesterly, becoming variable for a time in west, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in east.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in east.
Occasional rain or showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly veering southerly, becoming cyclonic later in west, 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 for a time later in west.
Mainly slight, occasionally moderate in west.
Occasional rain or showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Cyclonic or southerly, becoming variable then southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5.
Mainly slight, occasionally moderate at first in west.
Occasional rain or showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Mainly easterly or southeasterly becoming cyclonic 3 or 4, occasionally 5, increasing 6 for a time in east.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain or showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Cyclonic becoming variable then mainly southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5.
Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight later.
Occasional rain or showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic becoming northerly in far southwest, otherwise easterly or

northeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain or showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northeasterly becoming variable then mainly southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.
Mainly slight, occasionally moderate in west.
Occasional rain or showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel
24 hour forecast:
Mainly easterly becoming variable 3 or less, occasionally 4.
Smooth or slight.
Occasional rain or showers in south.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Mainly southwest 3 or 4, increasing 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate later in north.
Occasional rain.
Moderate or good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway
24 hour forecast:
Variable 3 or less, becoming westerly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.
Smooth or slight.
Mainly fair.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 at times.
Slight, becoming mainly moderate later.
Occasional rain or showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Isle of Man
24 hour forecast:
North or northwest backing west or southwest 3 or less, increasing 4 or 5.
Slight, occasionally smooth at first.
Mainly fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.
Slight, becoming moderate or rough.
Occasional rain.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Variable 3 or less, becoming westerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 at times later.
Smooth or slight in east, slight or moderate in north.
Showers, rain later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or southwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7.
Smooth becoming slight or moderate in east, moderate or rough in north.
Rain or squally showers.
Moderate, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate in north.

Occasional rain later.

Good becoming moderate, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 at times.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in north.

Occasional rain.

Moderate, occasionally poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming west or southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 for a time later.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Moderate or rough.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming southerly 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 for a time later, veering westerly 4 or 5 later.

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

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6.

Moderate, occasionally rough.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming southerly 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 for a time later, veering westerly 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6.

Moderate in shelter, otherwise rough.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

Valid Sunday 02 Jan 2011 at 1800 UTC until Monday 03 Jan 2011 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

The ridge will decline allowing fronts to move across from the west, with a depression developing near Faeroe during Monday morning then moving slowly southeast.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil

West or northwest 3 or 4 backing southwest 5 or 6.

Rough.

Showers then rain.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Monday 03 Jan until 1800 UTC on Monday 03 Jan:

Southwest 5 or 6, becoming cyclonic later.

Moderate or rough.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 2 to 4, veering south 4 or 5 by dawn tomorrow, perhaps locally 6 in the west.

Slight becoming moderate locally rather rough in the west.

Occasional rain, becoming prolonged at times tomorrow mist or fog patches near french coasts, especially in the morning.

Good, locally moderate to very poor tomorrow.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 4 or 5, becoming cyclonic 2 to 4 overnight, then southwest 3 or 4.

Moderate becoming slight with swell at first.

Occasional rain slowly clearing.

Good except in rain.

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