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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1800 UTC Friday 04 January to 1800 UTC Saturday 05 January 2013

General Situation

A large area of high pressure will remain slow moving close to southern England with mild and moist southwesterly airflow affecting the United Kingdom. A weakening cold front will move southeast across northern then central areas over the weekend.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 or 5 for a time.

Moderate or rough north and west of Orkney, otherwise slight or moderate.

Occasional drizzle in north at first otherwise mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South, veering west for a time, then backing southeast later, 5 to 7, decreasing 4 or 5 for a time.

Moderate or rough north and west of Orkney, otherwise slight or moderate.

Rain then fair.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest, veering west or northwest for a time, 4 or 5, occasionally 6.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain for a time.

Moderate or good, becoming moderate or poor for a time.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 or 6 decreasing 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest, veering west for a time, backing southeast later, 4 or 5, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Rain for a time, fog patches later.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor later.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

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

Mainly slight.

Fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 4 or 5, decreasing 3 later.

Slight or moderate.
Fog patches later.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor later.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland
24 hour forecast:
West or southwest 4 or 5.
Slight.
Occasional drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 4 or 5 veering west or northwest 3 or 4, backing southwest later.
Slight.
Occasional drizzle in south, fog patches later.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor later.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill
24 hour forecast:
West backing southwest 4 or 5.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or southwest 4 or 5 decreasing 3 or 4 later.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis
24 hour forecast:
West backing southwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5 near headlands.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in far west later.
Slight or moderate in east, moderate or rough in west.
Occasional drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in far west.
Slight or moderate in east, moderate or rough in west.
Occasional drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwesterly backing southerly, 3 or 4 in east, but west of Hartland Point and tenby, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 near headlands later.
Slight in far east, otherwise moderate or rough.
Occasional drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in far west at first.
Slight in far east, otherwise moderate or rough.
Occasional rain or drizzle, fog patches in east.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor in east.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 near western headlands.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time.
Moderate or rough.
Occasional rain or drizzle, fog patches.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

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

24 hour forecast:
South or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest, backing southeast later, 4 or 5, occasionally 6, decreasing 3 for a time.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain or drizzle, fog patches.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:
South or southwest 5 or 6.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional drizzle, rain later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 or 6 veering west or northwest 3 or 4, backing south 4 or 5 later.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain or drizzle at first, then mainly fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first, becoming good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:
South 4 or 5, increasing 5 or 6, veering southwest 3 or 4 later.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 3 or 4, backing south or southeast and increasing 5 to 7 later.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain or drizzle, fog patches, becoming fair for a time.
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:
South 4 or 5, increasing 5 or 6, veering southwest 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or southwest 3 or 4, backing south or southeast and increasing 5 to 7 later.

Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain or drizzle, fog patches, becoming fair for a time.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 4 or 5 increasing 6 or 7, veering west 3 or 4 later.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 3 or 4, backing south or southeast 5 to 7.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Rain or drizzle, fog patches, then fair, but occasional rain later.

Moderate or poor, occasionally very poor, becoming good, then moderate or poor later.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later, then decreasing 4 or 5.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, backing southeast 5 to 7.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Rain or drizzle, fog patches, then fair, but occasional rain later.

Moderate or poor, occasionally very poor, becoming good, then moderate or poor later.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later, then decreasing 4 or 5.

Rough or very rough.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, backing southeast 5 to 7.

Rough or very rough.

Rain or drizzle, fog patches, then fair, but occasional rain later.

Moderate or poor, occasionally very poor, becoming good, then moderate or poor later.

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

Valid Friday 04 Jan 2013 at 1800 UTC until Saturday 05 Jan 2013 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A series of troughs will cross Shetland during tonight and Saturday as a low tracks into the Norwegian Sea.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Southwest gale 8

West 5 or 6, backing southwest 4 or 5.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in west.
Drizzle at times.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Saturday 05 Jan until 1800 UTC on Saturday 05 Jan:
Southwest backing south 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in west at first.
Rain later.
Mainly good.

Channel Islands
24 hour forecast:
Southwest to south 2 to 3, occasionally 4 in the north of the area.
Slight.
Patchy light drizzle at times.
Good, occasionally moderate in drizzle.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
South to southwest 3 to 4, occasionally 2 in the south.
Slight with a swell.
Risk of a little drizzle at times.
Mainly good.

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