

AND NOW THE SHIPPING FORECAST ISSUED BY THE MET OFFICE, ON BEHALF OF THE MARITIME AND COASTGUARD AGENCY, AT 0505 ON THURSDAY 04 MARCH 2010

THERE ARE WARNINGS OF GALES IN DOVER WIGHT PORTLAND AND PLYMOUTH

THE GENERAL SYNOPSIS AT MIDNIGHT

HIGH MID ATLANTIC 1030 EXPECTED ROCKALL 1035 BY MIDNIGHT TONIGHT.
HIGH FAIR ISLE 1025 LOSING ITS IDENTITY BY SAME TIME

THE AREA FORECASTS FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS

VIKING NORTH UTSIRE SOUTH UTSIRE

NORTHWESTERLY 4 OR 5 INCREASING 6 FOR A TIME IN SOUTH UTSIRE,
BECOMING CYCLONIC 5 TO 7 LATER, THEN NORTHWESTERLY IN VIKING.
MODERATE OCCASIONALLY ROUGH LATER IN VIKING. RAIN OR SNOW. MODERATE,
OCCASIONALLY VERY POOR

FORTIES CROMARTY FORTH TYNE DOGGER

VARIABLE 4, BUT NORTHERLY 5 FOR A TIME IN EAST FORTIES AND EAST
DOGGER, BECOMING NORTHWESTERLY 5 TO 7 LATER. MODERATE, OCCASIONALLY
ROUGH LATER IN FORTIES AND CROMARTY. FAIR, THEN RAIN OR SLEET.
MODERATE OR GOOD

FISHER GERMAN BIGHT

NORTHERLY BACKING NORTHWESTERLY 4 OR 5, INCREASING 6 FOR A TIME,
BACKING WESTERLY LATER. MODERATE. RAIN OR SHOWERS LATER. GOOD,
OCCASIONALLY MODERATE LATER

HUMBER THAMES

NORTHEAST 4 OR 5, OCCASIONALLY 6 IN THAMES, BECOMING VARIABLE 4 FOR A
TIME THEN NORTHWEST 4 OR 5. SLIGHT OR MODERATE. FAIR. MODERATE OR
GOOD

DOVER WIGHT PORTLAND PLYMOUTH

NORTHEAST 6 TO GALE 8, DECREASING 4 OR 5 LATER. SLIGHT OR MODERATE,
OCCASIONALLY ROUGH IN PORTLAND AND PLYMOUTH. FAIR. MODERATE OR GOOD

BISCAY

NORTH 4 OR 5, VEERING NORTHEAST 5 TO 7. MODERATE OR ROUGH. SHOWERS.
GOOD

FITZROY SOLE

EAST OR NORTHEAST 5 TO 7, PERHAPS GALE 8 LATER IN FITZROY. ROUGH,
OCCASIONALLY VERY ROUGH IN WEST LATER. RAIN IN SOUTH FITZROY,
OTHERWISE FAIR. MODERATE OR GOOD

LUNDY FASTNET IRISH SEA

NORTHEAST 4 OR 5, OCCASIONALLY 6 IN LUNDY AND FASTNET, BACKING
NORTHWEST LATER IN IRISH SEA. SLIGHT OR MODERATE, OCCASIONALLY ROUGH
IN FASTNET. FAIR. GOOD

SHANNON ROCKALL

NORTHERLY OR NORTHEASTERLY 5 TO 7, BECOMING VARIABLE 4 LATER, BUT
EASTERLY IN SOUTH SHANNON AND NORTHWESTERLY IN NORTH ROCKALL 5 TO 7.
MODERATE OR ROUGH. MAINLY FAIR. GOOD

MALIN HEBRIDES

NORTHWESTERLY 5 OR 6 OCCASIONALLY 7 IN HEBRIDES, BUT VARIABLE 3 OR 4
FOR A TIME IN EAST. MODERATE OR ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY VERY ROUGH IN
HEBRIDES LATER. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

BAILEY

WEST OR NORTHWEST 5 TO 7. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. RAIN OR SHOWERS.
MODERATE OR GOOD

FAIR ISLE

SOUTHWEST 4 OR 5, VEERING NORTHWEST 5 TO 7. MODERATE BECOMING ROUGH,
OCCASIONALLY VERY ROUGH LATER. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

FAEROES SOUTHEAST ICELAND

WESTERLY OR NORTHWESTERLY, BUT SOUTHERLY AT FIRST IN EAST FAEROES 5
TO 7. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD