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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore from 0001 UTC to 2359 UTC

General Situation

A deep Atlantic low will fill and move eastwards, to become centred near southwest England by the end of Friday. The low is then expected to move southeastwards across France on Saturday.

From Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

East or southeast 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Moderate or rough.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or southeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, becoming variable 3 or less.

Moderate or rough.

Rain then mainly fair.

Moderate or good occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick on Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4, becoming variable later.

Moderate or rough.

Rain at times.

Moderate occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4.

Moderate or rough.

Showers, rain at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Berwick on Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4, becoming variable later.

Moderate.

Occasional rain, mainly fair later.

Moderate or good occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Moderate or good occasionally poor.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast, veering south for a time, 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Rain for a time.

Moderate or good occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast backing east or northeast 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Moderate or good occasionally poor.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeasterly 5 or 6, veering southwesterly 3 or 4, backing southeasterly later.
Slight, but moderate for a time in north.

Rain for a time.

Moderate or good occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast backing northeast 3 or 4.

Slight.

Showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeasterly, veering southwesterly for a time, 4 or 5, increasing 6 for a time.

Moderate.

Rain for a time.

Moderate or poor becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeasterly backing northeasterly 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South veering southwest 5 or 6, backing southeast later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later in west.

Showers, rain at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast 5 or 6, backing northeast 3 or 4.

Moderate or rough, but very rough for a time in west.

Rain or showers, fair later.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest, becoming cyclonic later, 5 or 6, increasing 7 for a time.

Moderate or rough, becoming very rough or high.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Cyclonic 5 or 6, becoming east or northeast 4 or 5, decreasing 3 for a time.

Very rough or high, becoming moderate or rough later.

Showers, rain for a time.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest backing east 4 or 5, increasing 6 for a time.

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

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Cyclonic 4 or 5, becoming north or northeast, backing east 3 or 4 later.

Rough or very rough, but high at first in west.

Showers, rain at first, fair later.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

South or southeast 5 or 6, backing northeast 3 or 4.

Moderate or rough, becoming very rough in far south.

Showers, rain at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or northeast 3 or 4.

Moderate or rough, but very rough at first in south, becoming slight later in far north.

Showers at first in south.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 backing east later.

Smooth or slight, but moderate for a time in north.

Mainly fair, rain at first.

Moderate or good occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or southeast 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor in south.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4.

Moderate becoming slight.

Occasional rain, becoming fair.

Moderate or good occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first, decreasing 3 or 4, backing east later.

Moderate becoming smooth or slight.

Rain for a time.

Moderate or poor becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or southeast 3 or 4, becoming variable for a time.

Smooth or slight, but moderate for a time in far north.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first, decreasing 3 or 4, backing east later.

Moderate becoming smooth or slight.

Rain for a time.

Moderate or poor becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
East or southeast 3 or 4, becoming variable for a time.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southeast 6 or 7, decreasing 3 or 4.
Moderate or rough.
Rain at times.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
East or southeast 3 or 4.
Moderate or rough.
Rain for a time.
Moderate or good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath including the Outer Hebrides - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
East or southeast 6 or 7, decreasing 4 or 5.
Rough occasionally very rough later.
Rain at times.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
East or southeast 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first.
Occasional rain becoming fair.
Moderate or good.

The Minch - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
East or southeast 6 or 7, decreasing 4 or 5.
Moderate or rough south of skye, slight or moderate to north.
Rain at times.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
East or southeast 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.
Slight or moderate, but rough at first south of skye.
Occasional rain becoming fair.
Moderate or good.

The Channel Islands - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West 5 to 6, soon backing southwest 4 to 5, then south by midday, increasing 5 to 6 in the afternoon,
decreasing 4 to 5 again by late evening.
Moderate in the south to rather rough in the north.
Rain soon clearing to fair periods and occasional showers.
Good, locally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
South 4 to 5, soon veering southwest and later northwest or north, but variable 2 to 4 in the north of the
area for a time.
Rather rough, slowly decreasing slight to moderate.
Scattered showers.
Mainly good.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Friday 05 Feb 2010 at 0000 UTC until Friday 05 Feb 2010 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A shallow low centred near Shetland on Thursday evening ill move away northeast through Friday with a slow moving front affecting Shetland waters.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil

Cyclonic becoming east or southeast 5 or 6.

Moderate or rough.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Friday 05 Feb until 0000 UTC on Saturday 06 Feb:

East or southeast 5 or 6.

Rough, but slight or moderate in sheltered western waters.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good.

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