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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0600 UTC Sunday 05 February to 0600 UTC Monday 06 February 2023

General Situation

High pressure moves eastwards over the United Kingdom through Sunday, becoming centred to the southeast by Monday. Strong winds will quickly ease for eastern waters, but will continue across the northwest.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly backing southwesterly 4 to 6, occasionally 7 near Cape Wrath.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in Moray Firth, but rough or very rough in northwest.

Occasional drizzle later in west.

Good, occasionally moderate later in west.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 4 to 6, occasionally 7 in northwest, veering westerly 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in Moray Firth, but rough or very rough in northwest.

Occasional drizzle in northwest, rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 3 or 4, increasing 4 to 6.

Slight or moderate, but smooth in southwest.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 to 6.

Slight or moderate, but smooth in southwest.

Fair.

Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4 or 5, backing southwest 2 to 4, increasing 4 or 5 later.

Moderate becoming slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 3 to 5, occasionally 6 near Berwick upon Tweed.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4 to 6, becoming variable 3 or less, then southwest 3 to 5 later.

Moderate becoming slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northerly 4 to 6, becoming variable 4 or less later.
Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.
Fog patches later.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 4 or less.
Smooth or slight.
Fog patches.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northerly 4 to 6, veering northeasterly 2 to 4.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in east.
Mainly fair.
Good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northeasterly becoming variable for a time, 2 to 4.
Smooth or slight.
Mainly fair.
Good, occasionally poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
North 4 to 6, veering east 2 to 4.
Smooth or slight.
Mainly fair.
Good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
East or southeast, backing northeast later, 2 to 4.
Smooth or slight.
Mainly fair.
Good, occasionally poor.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northeast 4 to 6, veering southeast 3 to 5.
Smooth or slight in east, otherwise slight or moderate.
Occasional drizzle at first.
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first in west, veering easterly 2 to 4 later.
Smooth or slight in east, slight or moderate in west, occasionally rough later in far west.
Fair.

Good.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 3 to 5, veering southeasterly 2 to 4, occasionally 5 in southwest.
Smooth or slight in east, otherwise moderate.

Fair.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeasterly 2 to 4, occasionally 5 at first in west.

Smooth or slight in east, otherwise moderate.

Fair.

Good, occasionally moderate.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 3 or 4, becoming variable 2 to 4 then south 3 to 5.

Slight, occasionally moderate in south and smooth in north.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest, 3 to 5.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in northeast.

Fair.

Good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

Variable 2 to 4, becoming south 3 to 5.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 3 to 5, occasionally 6 at first near Mull of Galloway.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in north.

Fair.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast 3 or 4, veering south or southwest 4 or 5.

Slight, occasionally moderate later.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 4 or 5, increasing 5 or 6 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming south or southwest 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough in far north, otherwise slight, occasionally smooth in south.

Occasional drizzle later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 4 to 6.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far north.

Occasional drizzle.

Good, occasionally moderate.

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 to 6.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in North Channel.

Showers later.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 to 6.

Slight, occasionally moderate in North Channel.

Showers at first.

Good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable 2 to 4, becoming south or southwest 4 to 6.

Mainly moderate or rough, but very rough in northwest.

Showers later.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 to 6, occasionally 7 in northwest, veering westerly 3 to 5 later.

Mainly moderate or rough, but very rough in northwest.

Showers.

Good.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 to 6, increasing 6 to gale 8.

Slight or moderate near skye, otherwise moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 6 to gale 8, veering west 4 to 6 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming smooth or slight later near skye.

Showers, rain for a time later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 to 6, increasing 6 to gale 8.

Very rough.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 6 to gale 8, veering west 4 to 6 later.

Very rough, occasionally high west of Outer Hebrides.

Showers, rain for a time later.
Good, occasionally moderate.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Sunday 05 Feb 2023 at 0600 UTC until Sunday 05 Feb 2023 at 1800 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A ridge of high pressure topples east across Shetland waters ahead of an approaching Atlantic frontal system Sunday night.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle at time of issue: Gale now ceased, but southwesterly gale force 8 expected later (Issued 04/1701UTC)

West 5 or 6, backing southwest 5 to 7 later
Rough or very rough, but moderate in well sheltered eastern waters
Isolated showers at first
Mainly good

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1800 UTC on Sunday 05 Feb until 0600 UTC on Monday 06 Feb:

Southwest 5 to 7
Rough or very rough, but moderate in well sheltered eastern waters, becoming high in northwest later.
Mainly fine
Mainly good

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

North to northwest 3 to 4 until late morning in the south of the area, otherwise northeast 4 to 5, veering east 3 to 4 this afternoon, increasing 5 for a time in the far southwest of the area later.
Smooth or slight with a low and diminishing swell.
Occasional drizzle and local mist in the south of the area at first this morning.
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East to southeast 2 to 4, backing northeast at times.
Smooth to slight with a low swell.
Fine.
Good.

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