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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1800 UTC Monday 03 December to 1800 UTC Tuesday 04 December 2012

General Situation

A stationary weather front over northeast Scotland will move slowly southwest across Scotland during Tuesday as a complex area of low pressure moves southeastwards across England and Wales with a cold northerly airflow spreading to all parts by midday Wednesday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic 4 or 5 in Moray Firth, otherwise easterly 5 to 7, backing northerly later 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in north.

Rain or sleet, then sleet or snow showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 for a time.

Mainly moderate in Moray Firth, otherwise rough or very rough.

Snow showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or northwesterly 5 or 6, veering easterly 4 or 5, then backing northerly later, but easterly backing northwesterly 5 or 6 in far north.

Moderate or rough.

Rain or sleet, then wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 at times.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later near Rattray Head.

Wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 5 to 7, veering east or northeast 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough.

Fair then rain, wintry showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northeast 4 or 5, backing northwest 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 5 to 7, veering northeast 3 or 4.

Moderate or rough.

Fair then showers, becoming wintry later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 3 or 4, backing northwest 5 or 6.

Moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly, veering northwesterly later, 5 to 7.
Moderate, occasionally rough in north.
Fair, showers later.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northerly or northwesterly 5 to 7, decreasing 4 for a time.
Moderate, occasionally rough in north.
Showers, occasionally wintry later.
Good, occasionally moderate.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly 5 to 7.
Moderate or rough.
Mainly fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly, veering northerly or northwesterly 5 or 6, decreasing 4 for a time.
Moderate or rough.
Showers.
Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or northwest 5 or 6.
Moderate or rough.
Showers, mainly in west.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest veering north 5 or 6, decreasing 4 for a time.
Moderate or rough.
Showers.
Good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly or northwesterly 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later in west.
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough or high in west.
Squally showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwesterly veering northerly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in west at first,
decreasing 4 or 5 later.
Moderate or rough in east, very rough or high in west.
Squally showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly or northwesterly, 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later in west.
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough in west later.
Squally showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly veering northerly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in west at first, decreasing 4 or 5 later.
Rough or very rough, becoming moderate in Bristol Channel.
Squally showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or northwest 5 to 7.
Moderate or rough.
Squally showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest veering north 5 to 7, decreasing 4 or 5 later.
Moderate or rough.
Squally showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or northwest 5 to 7, veering north or northeast later, 4 or 5.
Moderate or rough.
Showers, occasionally squally.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest becoming cyclonic, then north or northeast, 5 to 7, decreasing 4 for a time.
Mainly moderate.
Showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Isle of Man - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or northwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7.
Moderate, occasionally rough.
Showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest veering north, 4 or 5.
Slight or moderate.
Showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or northwest 5 to 7, veering north or northeast later, 4 or 5.
Moderate in east, rough, occasionally very rough in north.
Showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North or northeast backing northwest later, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Moderate in east, moderate or rough in north.
Showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West 5 to 7, veering northeast 4 or 5.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in north.

Showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northeasterly backing northwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in North Channel.
Moderate, occasionally rough in north.
Showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or northwest veering northeast, 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time.
Rough or very rough, becoming high for a time in west.
Showers, occasionally thundery.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northeast backing northwest 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 later.
Rough or very rough, occasionally moderate in shelter later.
Showers, wintry later.
Good, occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly 4 or 5, veering northeasterly 5 to 7.
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough for a time in far south.
Showers, becoming wintry in north.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northeast backing north 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4 later.
Moderate or rough.
Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Cyclonic at first in far north, otherwise westerly 4 or 5, veering northeasterly 5 to 7, .
Rough or very rough.
Showers, becoming wintry in north.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northeast backing north 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4 later.
Rough or very rough.
Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Monday 03 Dec 2012 at 1800 UTC until Tuesday 04 Dec 2012 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A frontal trough will be slow moving far north Scotland until Tuesday when it heads south and showery troughs approach Shetland from north.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Southeasterly gale force 8 at time of issue

East or northeast 4 or 5 occasionally 6 at first, backing north 3 or 4 later in

north.

Moderate or rough.

Showers increasing in north and perhaps becoming wintry.

Good or moderate, perhaps poor at times.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Tuesday 04 Dec until 1800 UTC on Tuesday 04 Dec:

Northerly 4 or 5, but 6 at times, perhaps 7 later, in north.

Moderate or rough.

Wintry showers, more frequent in north.

Good or moderate at times, occasionally poor in snow showers.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly 4 or 5 in the south at first, otherwise northwest to north 5 to 7, perhaps locally gale 8, becoming by midnight generally northwest 5 or 6 with gusts to 40kt.

Moderate to rather rough, becoming rough.

Outbreaks of rain and drizzle, clearing late evening to squally rain or hail showers with a risk of thunder.

Moderate to poor in rain, drizzle or showers, otherwise good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 or 6 with gusts to 40kt, locally 7 overnight, veering northwest to north by morning, decreasing 4 or 5 by late afternoon.

Rough, locally very rough for a time overnight, moderating a little in the afternoon.

Squally rain or hail showers with a risk of thunder.

Good, locally moderate to poor in showers.

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