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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1200 UTC Wednesday 01 February to 1200 UTC Thursday 02 February
2012

General Situation

A strong ridge of high pressure will continue to extend southwestwards across the United Kingdom. Atlantic fronts will approach northwestern areas on Friday morning.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly 5 or 6, veering southwesterly 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in north.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in north.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in north.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

South or southeast 4 or 5, veering southwest 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 3 or 4.

Slight.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

East or southeast 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or less later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight later.

Fair then snow showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4.

Slight.

Snow showers.

Moderate or good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Easterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first in south, backing northeasterly 3 or 4 later.

Moderate, occasionally rough at first.

Fair then snow showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less.

Moderate becoming slight.

Snow showers.

Moderate or good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Easterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first in south, backing northeasterly 5 or 6.
Rough becoming moderate.

Fair then snow showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 5 or 6, backing northerly 3 or 4.

Moderate, becoming slight later.

Snow showers, snow for a time.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 7, decreasing 5 or 6.

Moderate or rough.

Fair then snow showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 5 or 6, decreasing 4 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first in east.

Snow showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 5 or 6, occasionally 7 around headlands.

Moderate.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first around headlands, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Moderate, occasionally slight later.

Fair then snow showers in east.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 5 or 6, but 7 for a time around headlands.

Moderate or rough.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or northeast 5 or 6, occasionally 7 around headlands, decreasing 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

East 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first near headlands.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first around headlands, becoming variable 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:
East 4 or 5, veering southeast 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
South or southeast 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:
East 4 or 5, veering southeast 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southeast veering south or southwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later near Mull of Galloway.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:
East, veering south or southeast 5, decreasing 3 or 4.
Moderate, becoming smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good.

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

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:
Southeasterly 4 or 5, veering southerly 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southerly 3, veering southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later in north.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in north.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel

24 hour forecast:
Southeast 4 or 5, veering south 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in North Channel.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
South 3 or 4, veering southwest 4 or 5.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in North Channel.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southeasterly 5 or 6, veering southerly 4 or 5.
Slight, occasionally moderate.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southerly 4 or 5, increasing 6 in west.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in northwest.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

The Minch - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
South 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later in far south.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South 6, decreasing 4 or 5.
Moderate or rough.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
South 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7, perhaps gale 8 later.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Wednesday 01 Feb 2012 at 1200 UTC until Thursday 02 Feb 2012 at 0000 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A ridge of high pressure continues to extend from Scandinavia over the North Sea to the British Isles. A frontal trough approaches Shetland from the west during Thursday.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil.

South or southwest 5, occasional 6.
Moderate.
Mainly fair, patchy rain.
Good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0000 UTC on Thursday 02 Feb until 1200 UTC on Thursday 02 Feb:
Southwest 5, decreasing 4.
Moderate, becoming rough in the west.
Occasional rain.
Good.

Channel Islands - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northeast to east 5 to 6, locally 7 at times.
Moderate in the south, rather rough to rough in the north.
Mainly fair.
Moderate to good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northeast to east 5 to 6, decreasing 4 to 5 during the afternoon and 2 to 4 overnight.
Moderate to rather rough, decreasing slight to moderate overnight.
Mainly fair.
Moderate to good.

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