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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1200 UTC Sunday 03 September to 1200 UTC Monday 04 September 2023

General Situation

High pressure will persist across much of the British Isles to give predominantly fine weather, but a slow-moving front will affect the far north giving outbreaks of rain and strong southwesterly winds across some Scottish waters, mainly in the north.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly, 6 to gale 8 throughout in northwest and 4 to 6 elsewhere, decreasing 3 at times near Rattray Head.

Rough or very rough to the west and north of Orkney, slight or moderate elsewhere, occasionally smooth in Moray Firth.

Occasional rain or drizzle in north.

Moderate or poor in north, otherwise mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly, 6 or 7 at first in northwest, otherwise 3 to 5, becoming variable 2 to 4 later.

In northwest, rough or very rough becoming moderate or rough, but elsewhere smooth or slight, occasionally moderate at first.

Occasional drizzle in north.

Good, occasionally poor in north.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly 3 to 5, occasionally 6 at first, becoming variable 2 to 4 later in far south.

Slight or moderate in north, smooth or slight in south.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5 at first except in far south, otherwise variable 2 to 4.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate at first in north.

Fair.

Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 3 to 5, becoming variable, then southeast later, 2 to 4.

Smooth occasionally slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less.

Smooth occasionally slight.

Fair.

Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

South or southeast 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less for a time.

Smooth occasionally slight.

Mainly fair.

Good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast, backing east later, 2 to 4.

Smooth occasionally slight.

Mainly fair.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming easterly or southeasterly 2 to 4.

Smooth occasionally slight.

Mainly fair.

Good, occasionally poor later in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly or northeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good, occasionally moderate.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Easterly or northeasterly 3 to 5.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly or northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 3 at first in east.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate near Selsey Bill.

Fair.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

Variable 2 to 4, becoming east or northeast 4 or 5.

Smooth or slight becoming slight or moderate.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or northeast 4 to 6.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good, occasionally moderate.

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

24 hour forecast:

Variable 2 to 4, becoming east or northeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or northeast 4 to 6.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough near Isles of Scilly.
Showers later.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming east or northeast 2 to 4, increasing 5 at times later.
Smooth or slight in east, slight or moderate in west.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East 4 to 6.
Smooth or slight in east, slight or moderate in west.
Showers later.
Mainly good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Variable, becoming east or northeast later, 2 to 4.
Smooth, occasionally slight in south.
Fog patches at first.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or northeast 3 to 5.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate near St Davids Head.
Showers later.
Good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 4 or 5 at first in north, otherwise variable 2 to 4.
Smooth, occasionally slight in north.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 2 to 4, becoming easterly or northeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.
Smooth, occasionally slight later in west.
Fair.
Good.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

Southwest becoming variable, 2 to 4.
Smooth occasionally slight.
Fog patches at first.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 2 to 4, becoming northeast 3 or 4.
Smooth occasionally slight.
Fair.
Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly becoming variable, 2 to 4.
Moderate or rough in far north, smooth or slight elsewhere.
Mainly fair.
Good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 2 to 4, becoming northeasterly 3 to 5 later in far southeast.
Moderate or rough in far north, smooth or slight elsewhere.
Mainly fair.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel
24 hour forecast:
Southwesterly 3 to 5, becoming variable 2 to 4.
Moderate near Mull of Kintyre, otherwise smooth or slight.
Mainly fair.
Good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 2 to 4.
Moderate near Mull of Kintyre, otherwise smooth or slight.
Mainly fair.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first in north, becoming variable, then southerly, 2 to 4 in south.
Moderate or rough, occasionally slight in sheltered east and very rough at first west of Tiree.
Occasional drizzle at first.
Good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwesterly 4 or 5 at first in north, otherwise variable, becoming easterly or northeasterly later, 2 to 4.
Moderate or rough, occasionally slight in east.
Mainly fair.
Good, occasionally moderate.

The Minch - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in northeast, decreasing 4 at times in far south.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far north and in far southwest.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or poor, occasionally good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwesterly 4 to 6, occasionally 7 at first in north, becoming variable 2 to 4 in south and also later in north.
Slight or moderate becoming smooth or slight.
Occasional drizzle in north.
Good, occasionally poor in north.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in northeast, decreasing 4 at times in far south.

Rough or very rough, occasionally moderate in far southeast.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or poor, occasionally good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 4 to 6, occasionally 7 at first in north, becoming variable 2 to 4 in south and also later in north.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first in north.

Occasional drizzle in north.

Good, occasionally poor in north.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland

Valid Sunday 03 Sep 2023 at 1200 UTC until Monday 04 Sep 2023 at 0000 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Weather fronts affecting Shetland Waters Sunday, clear to the south for a time before pushing north again Monday morning.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle at time of issue: Southwesterly gale force 8 expected soon. Issued 0345 UTC on Sun 3 Sep 2023.

Southerly or southwesterly 3 or 4 at first in northwest, otherwise southwesterly 5 to 7, decreasing westerly or southwesterly 3 to 5 later.

Moderate or rough, but very rough in west, occasionally slight just east of Shetland

Rain or drizzle, becoming mainly fair for a time

Moderate or poor, becoming mainly good for a time.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0000 UTC on Monday 04 Sep until 1200 UTC on Monday 04 Sep:

Southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7.

Rough or very rough, but slight or moderate in sheltered waters east of Shetland

Rain or drizzle, becoming mainly fair south.

Moderate or poor, becoming mainly good south.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

East to northeast 3 to 5.

Smooth or slight with a low swell developing later.

Mist or fog patches, mainly in the north and west of the area until evening.

Good, locally moderate to very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East to northeast 3 to 5, occasionally 6 in the north of the area until late evening, veering east to southeast 2 to 4 later.

Smooth or slight with a low swell, occasionally moderate in the north of the area.

Fine.

Good.

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