

## Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart  
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Tuesday 02 May 2023 until 23:59 on Wednesday 03 May 2023

Forecast Issued on Monday 01 May 2023 at 10:57 by Met Office Aberdeen

**Confidence:** High for the settled start and for increasing chance of rain crossing from south later in period, but lowering for cloud detail.

**Headline for Tuesday 02 May 2023:** Most dry with occasional sunshine and quite light winds. Freezing level lifting.

### Mountain weather hazards on Tuesday 02 May 2023

**Blizzards**  
No Likelihood

**Heavy persistent snow**  
No Likelihood

**Storm force winds**  
No Likelihood

**Gales**  
No Likelihood

**Severe chill effect**  
Low Likelihood

**Poor visibility**  
No Likelihood

**Thunderstorms**  
No Likelihood

**Heavy persistent rain**  
No Likelihood

**Strong sunlight**  
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
							
Clear night	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals
Precipitation probability							
<05%	<05%	<05%	00%	<05%	<05%	00%	00%

### Forecast for Tuesday 02 May 2023

**Weather:** The vast majority will have a fine dry day with good bright and sunny spells developing, but the odd like shower cannot be ruled out, with snow level 300m lifting to 1100m late afternoon.

**Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m:** 90%

**Low cloud and visibility:** Good or very good, becoming briefly moderate or poor in any rain showers, very poor in snow showers and within cloud with bases very infrequently lowering to 700m.

**Forecast for Tuesday 02 May 2023**

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
<b>1000</b>	9/13 NE	11/14 E	13/17 E	10/14 E	6/9 SE	5/8 S	8/12 E	14/19 E	14/18 E
<b>900</b>	10/13 NE	11/14 E	13/17 E	10/14 E	6/9 SE	5/8 S	8/12 E	14/20 E	14/18 E
<b>600</b>	6/10 NE	8/12 E	10/15 E	9/13 E	4/8 SE	4/7 SW	6/10 E	12/17 E	10/14 E
<b>300</b>	5/11 NE	6/11 E	7/15 E	5/11 E	2/7 SE	2/7 S	4/9 E	6/14 E	5/12 E
<b>Glen</b>	7/12 NE	9/14 E	10/16 E	7/11 E	2/6 SE	5/9 W	3/6 N	9/14 E	8/12 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
<b>1000</b>	-3/-8	-3/-9	-3/-9	-2/-6	1/-2	4/2	3/0	2/-4	2/-3
<b>900</b>	-2/-7	-2/-8	-2/-8	-1/-5	2/-1	4/2	4/1	2/-3	2/-3
<b>600</b>	0/-3	0/-4	1/-4	2/-1	5/3	7/6	6/5	5/1	4/1
<b>300</b>	2/0	1/-1	2/-1	5/4	8/8	10/10	10/9	7/5	6/4
<b>Glen</b>	4/2	4/1	5/1	8/6	11/10	12/11	12/12	9/7	9/7
<b>Freezing Level*</b>	400m	400m	400m	600m	900m	1200m	1300m	1400m	1500m

\*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

**Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View**

Severe wind chill at height at first in the low freezing level despite the relatively light winds.

**Forecast for Wednesday 03 May 2023**

**Weather:** Cloud thickening to bring some limited patchy light rain, mainly to western ranges and later in the day, this also perhaps turning wintry at times across the highest peaks.

**Maximum wind:** East to southeast 15mph or less

**Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m:** 80% with bases generally above this level

**Low cloud and visibility:** Good or very good, becoming moderate or poor in rain, very poor in snow showers and within cloud with bases infrequently lowering to 700m.

**Temperature:** **Glens:** Plus 1 Celsius increasing 14 Celsius during the afternoon  
**At 800m:** Plus 3 Celsius  
**Freezing level:** Above summits