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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore from 0001 UTC to 2359 UTC

General Situation

High pressure centred near Iceland will extend a ridge across the United Kingdom. This ridge will decline later on Monday as troughs continue to move southwards from the Norwegian Sea across the British Isles.

From Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

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

Slight or moderate, increasing rough or very rough in north.

Sleet and snow showers.

Good occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest veering northeast 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8.

Rough or very rough, but moderate in Moray Firth.

Squally sleet and snow showers.

Good occasionally very poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick on Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Slight or moderate.

Sleet and snow showers.

Good occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times, veering northeast 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later.

Sleet and snow showers.

Good occasionally very poor.

Berwick on Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Slight or moderate.

Sleet and snow showers.

Good occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times, veering northeasterly 5 to 7 later in north.

Moderate or rough.

Sleet and snow showers.

Good occasionally very poor.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 3 or 4, increasing 4 or 5, occasionally 6 for a time.

Slight or moderate, becoming rough later in north.

Sleet and snow showers.

Good occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest veering north, 4 or 5, occasionally 6.

Slight or moderate, but rough in north.

Sleet and snow showers.
Good occasionally very poor.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable becoming northwesterly 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 for a time in north.

Slight or moderate.

Sleet and snow showers.

Good occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest backing west for a time, 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.

Slight or moderate.

Sleet and snow showers.

Good, occasionally very poor.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Mainly northeast 3 or 4 at first, backing north then northwest later.

Slight, occasionally moderate at first.

Sleet and snow showers, mainly in east.

Good occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or northwesterly 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Rain or sleet showers.

Good, occasionally poor later.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

Northeast backing northwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.

Slight.

Mainly fair.

Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair, then rain or sleet showers later.

Good, occasionally poor later.

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

24 hour forecast:

Easterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first in west, backing northerly or northeasterly 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate but rough at first in west.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northeasterly 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 later.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair, then rain or sleet showers.

Good, occasionally poor later.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

East 4 or 5, backing north then northwest 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest veering north or northeast 3 or 4 occasionally 5.
Slight or moderate, but smooth in east.
Mainly fair, then wintry showers later.
Good, becoming poor at times later.

St Davids Head to Great Ormes Head, including St Georges Channel
24 hour forecast:
Northeast backing northwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.
Slight.
Fair, then sleet and snow showers later.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest 3 or 4, veering north 5 to 7.
Slight.
Sleet and snow showers.
Good occasionally very poor.

Great Ormes Head to the Mull of Galloway
24 hour forecast:
North 3 or less, backing northwest 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight.
Mainly fair, then sleet and snow showers.
Good, then occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest 3 or 4, veering north 5 or 6.
Smooth or slight.
Sleet and snow showers.
Good, occasionally very poor.

Isle of Man - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
North backing northwest 2 or 3, increasing 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.
Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.
Fair at first, then rain or showers.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or northwest 4 or 5, veering north 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.
Slight or moderate, becoming moderate, occasionally rough later.
Rain or showers, then wintry showers.
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
North backing northwest 3 or 4, veering north 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.
Smooth or slight becoming moderate.
Sleet and snow showers.
Good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North becoming cyclonic 5 or 6, increasing 7 for a time.
Moderate, becoming rough in north.
Sleet and snow showers.
Good, occasionally very poor.

The Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and the
North Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northwest 3 or 4, veering north 5 or 6 later.
Slight.
Mainly fair, then sleet or snow showers.
Good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later in North Channel.

Slight becoming moderate, occasionally rough later in north channel.

Sleet and snow showers.

Good, occasionally very poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North or northwest 3 or 4, veering north 5 or 6 later.

Slight.

Mainly fair, then sleet or snow showers.

Good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North, becoming cyclonic for a time, 5 or 6.

Slight, occasionally moderate.

Sleet or snow showers.

Good, occasionally very poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath including the Outer Hebrides - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North backing northwest 3 or 4, then veering north 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming rough or very rough in north.

Sleet and snow showers.

Good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North becoming cyclonic, then becoming northeast, 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate, but rough or very rough, becoming high for a time, in north.

Sleet and snow showers.

Good, occasionally very poor.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North backing northwest 3 or 4, then veering north 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.

Smooth becoming slight south of skye, moderate becoming rough north of skye.

Sleet and snow showers.

Good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North becoming cyclonic, then becoming northeast, 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate south of skye, rough or very rough north of skye.

Sleet and snow showers.

Good, occasionally very poor.

The Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Easterly 5, locally 6 in mid-channel at first, decreasing 4 late morning,

becoming east to northeast 2 to

3 in the evening.

Rather rough in the north and west, otherwise moderate, becoming slight to moderate later.

Occasional wintry showers, mainly in the north of the area.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 2 to 3, backing northwest Tuesday morning then west 3 to 4 in the afternoon, veering north 4 in the evening.

Mainly slight.

Isolated wintry showers, becoming scattered later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Monday 04 Jan 2010 at 0000 UTC until Monday 04 Jan 2010 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A cold, showery mainly northerly airstream covers Shetland waters.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil at time of issue

North or northwest 5 or 6.

Rough becoming very rough later, occasionally moderate in south and east.

Wintry showers.

Good falling moderate or poor in showers.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Monday 04 Jan until 0000 UTC on Tuesday 05 Jan:

Northerly or northwesterly 5 or 6 veering northeasterly 6 to gale 8 in north later.

Very rough, occasionally moderate in south and east.

Wintry showers.

Good falling moderate or poor in showers.

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