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

General Situation

Complex low pressure remaining centred to the south or southwest of the United Kingdom, with the cold, unsettled conditions continuing.

From Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west, increasing 6 to gale 8.

Rain, wintry showers later.

Moderate, occasionally poor later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later.

Rattray Head to Berwick on Tweed

24 hour forecast:

South or southeast becoming variable 3 or 4, then north 5 to 7 later.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Moderate or rough.

Berwick on Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Southeast veering southwest 3 or 4.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Moderate becoming slight.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

South backing southeast 3 or 4.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Moderate becoming slight.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Southerly backing southeasterly 3 or 4.

Rain later.

Moderate or good.

Slight.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Southerly backing southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west.

Squally showers at first, rain later.

Moderate or good.

Slight or moderate.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

Southerly backing easterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in west.

Squally showers, rain later.

Moderate or good.

Moderate.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

Southerly backing easterly 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 for a time in west, becoming cyclonic later.

Squally showers then rain.
Moderate or good.
Moderate, becoming rough or very rough in west.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel
24 hour forecast:
Southeast 5 or 6, backing east 5 to 7 later.
Squally showers then rain.
Moderate or good.
Moderate, becoming rough in west.

St Davids Head to Great Ormes Head, including St Georges Channel
24 hour forecast:
Southeast 5 to 7 backing east 3 or 4.
Squally showers, mainly fair later.
Moderate or good.
Slight, occasionally moderate in west.

Great Ormes Head to the Mull of Galloway
24 hour forecast:
Southeast 5 or 6 backing east 3 or 4.
Showers at first.
Moderate or good.
Slight or moderate.

Isle of Man
24 hour forecast:
East or southeast 5 or 6 decreasing 3 or 4, backing northeast later.
Showers at first.
Mainly good.
Moderate becoming slight.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough
24 hour forecast:
Easterly 5 or 6 becoming variable 3, then northerly 6 or 7 later in north.
Showers at first, rain later.
Moderate or good.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later in north.

The Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and the North Channel
24 hour forecast:
Easterly 4 or 5 becoming variable 3, then northeasterly 4 or 5 later.
Rain later.
Moderate or good.
Slight or moderate.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point
24 hour forecast:
East 4 or 5 becoming variable 3, then northeast 6 to gale 8 later.
Fair then rain, wintry showers later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.
Slight or moderate becoming rough.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath including the Outer Hebrides
24 hour forecast:
Northeast 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 at times.
Occasional rain, wintry showers later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.
Moderate or rough, becoming occasionally very rough.

Shetland Isles
24 hour forecast:

Northeast 4 or 5 increasing 6 to gale 8, backing north 4 or 5 later.
Rain then wintry showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.
Moderate or rough.

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