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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0600 UTC Saturday 02 January to 0600 UTC Sunday 03 January 2021

General Situation

The United Kingdom will continue to lie in an unstable northerly airflow through Saturday. During Sunday, an area of high pressure will move between Scotland and Iceland which will veer the airflow to the east.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Moderate, occasionally slight in Moray Firth.

Showers, perhaps wintry at first.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northeast 5 or 6, veering east, then becoming variable later, 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, becoming mainly slight later.

Showers at first.

Good.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

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

Moderate, but mainly slight in St Andrews Bay and Firth of Forth.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North veering east or northeast later, 4 to 6.

Mainly slight in St Andrews Bay and Firth of Forth, otherwise moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North or northwest veering northeast later, 4 to 6.

Moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast veering east, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North or northwest, veering northeast later, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.

Moderate, occasionally slight in south.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 4 or 5, veering east 5 or 6.
Moderate, occasionally slight at first in south.
Showers.
Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northwesterly 3 to 5, veering easterly 3 or 4 later.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate near north Norfolk.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly or northeasterly 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.

Slight becoming moderate, occasionally rough later.

Occasional rain or showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly veering northerly, 3 to 5.

Smooth or slight.

Showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly veering easterly or northeasterly , 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate later.

Showers.

Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast 3 to 5.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northeast 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times offshore.

Slight, becoming moderate later.

Showers.

Mainly good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in far west.

Moderate west of penzance, otherwise smooth or slight.

Showers, mainly in west.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 5 or 6, occasionally 4 at first in lyme bay.

Slight at first east of penzance, otherwise moderate.

Showers.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northeasterly, backing northwesterly for a time, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west, decreasing 3 at times in east.
Mainly moderate southwest of lundy island and near St Davids Head, otherwise smooth or slight.
Showers, mainly in west.
Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 4 to 6.
Mainly moderate southwest of lundy island and near St Davids Head, otherwise smooth or slight.
Showers.
Good.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northwesterly, veering northeasterly later, 3 to 5, occasionally 6 in north and west.
Smooth just south of the llyn peninsula, otherwise slight or moderate.
Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 5 or 6, decreasing 4 at times in Cardigan Bay.
Smooth at first just south of the llyn peninsula, otherwise slight or moderate.
Showers.
Good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest veering north, 4 to 6.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate near great orme head.
Mainly fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North veering northeast, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in southwest.
Showers later.
Good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest veering north or northeast, 4 to 6.
Slight, occasionally moderate in south.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight, occasionally moderate in south.
Showers.
Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North or northwest, veering northeast later, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.
Slight or moderate.
Showers at first.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later mainly in south.

Slight, occasionally moderate in south.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel
- (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northerly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first in the North Channel.

Smooth or slight in Firth of Clyde, otherwise slight or moderate.

Showers at first.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly veering northeasterly 4 or 5.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.

Slight or moderate, but mainly smooth in shelter.

Showers at first.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North veering east or northeast, 3 to 5.

Slight or moderate, but mainly smooth in shelter.

Fair.

Good.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4.

Slight in south, moderate in north.

Showers at first, perhaps wintry.

Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northeast, veering east later, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first near Ardnamurchan Point.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate at first in north.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4.

Moderate, becoming slight later near Ardnamurchan Point.

Showers at first, perhaps wintry.

Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northeast, veering east later, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first near Ardnamurchan Point.

Slight at first near Ardnamurchan Point, otherwise moderate.
Mainly fair.
Good.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Saturday 02 Jan 2021 at 0600 UTC until Saturday 02 Jan 2021 at 1800 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation
High pressure building to the west of Shetland.

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

North 4 to 6
Moderate or rough
Showers
Good occasionally moderate

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1800 UTC on Saturday 02 Jan until 0600 UTC on Sunday 03 Jan:
North 4 to 6, veering northeast then east 4 or 5
Moderate, occasionally rough at first
Showers, mainly fair later
Good occasionally moderate at first

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North to northeast 3 to 5 locally 6, occasionally variable 1 to 3 in the southeast of the area at times, becoming northeasterly 4 to 6 overnight.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in the west of the area at first.
Occasional rain or showers, locally with hail, becoming more isolated for a time during the day local mist or fog patches near the french coast later.
Good, occasionally moderate, locally poor or very poor near french coast later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 4 to 6, locally east or variable 1 to 3 in the south and east of the area, increasing 6 to 7 mid-channel later.
Slight to moderate, becoming rather rough in the northwest overnight.
Isolated rain or showers, locally heavy and with hail, becoming more frequent Sunday evening mist and patchy fog near french coast at first and again later.

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