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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore  
for the period 0000 UTC Saturday 04 February to 0000 UTC Sunday 05 February  
2017

#### General Situation

The United Kingdom will continue to be influenced by areas of low pressure during the next few days, bringing unsettled and often windy conditions.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southeast, veering south or southwest, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, then decreasing 4 at times later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later around Orkney.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight in shelter.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

#### Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 5 to 7, veering southwest 5 or 6, then backing south 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good, occasionally poor later.

#### Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 5 or 6, veering south or southwest 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first in north.

Rain at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 4 or 5, becoming variable, mainly northwest later, 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

#### Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 5 or 6, veering southwest 3 or 4, then backing south later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain, becoming fair for a time.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast, veering northwest, but becoming variable for a time, 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeasterly, veering southwesterly, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first in south, then becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Moderate, becoming smooth or slight.

Occasional rain, fair for a time.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming northwesterly 4 or 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Rain then showers.

Mainly good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly, becoming cyclonic, 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, then becoming southerly or southwesterly 5 or 6 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 or 6, becoming variable 3 or 4, then becoming northwesterly 5 or 6 later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers at first.

Mainly good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly, becoming cyclonic for a time, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Moderate or rough.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4, then becoming northwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough offshore.

Showers at first.

Mainly good.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 4 or 5, backing south or southwest 5 to 7, then decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first in far west.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 3 or 4, veering northwest 5 or 6.

Moderate or rough.

Showers at first.

Mainly good.

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

24 hour forecast:

West, backing south or southwest, then becoming cyclonic later, 5 or 6, increasing 7 at times.

Moderate or rough.

Rain or showers.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Cyclonic 4 or 5, becoming northwest 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 later.  
Moderate or rough.  
Showers at first.  
Mainly good.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
West or southwest 5 to 7, becoming cyclonic 4 or 5 later.  
Moderate, occasionally rough in south.  
Rain or showers.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Cyclonic becoming northwesterly, 4 or 5, increasing 6 for a time in south.  
Slight or moderate.  
Showers.  
Mainly good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Cyclonic, becoming west or southwest, backing south later, 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times later.  
Slight or moderate.  
Rain or showers.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
South or southeast, becoming cyclonic, then becoming northwest later, 4 or 5.  
Slight or moderate.  
Showers.  
Mainly good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
West 5 to 7, backing south or southwest 5 or 6, increasing 7 for a time later.  
Moderate.  
Rain or showers.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
South or southeast 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or less, then northwest 4 or 5 later.  
Moderate, becoming slight.  
Showers.  
Mainly good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
West, backing southwest, 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4 later.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in north.  
Occasional rain, showers later.  
Moderate, occasionally poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
West or southwest, becoming variable for a time, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in north.  
Showers.  
Mainly good.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North

Channel - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic, becoming southwesterly, 5 to 7, then backing southerly 4 or 5 later.  
Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain, showers later.

Moderate, occasionally poor, becoming good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Mainly good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic, becoming south or southwest, 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times later.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain, showers later.

Moderate, occasionally poor, becoming good later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.

Moderate or rough.

Showers.

Mainly good.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Easterly or northeasterly, 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in north, veering  
southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first in south, becoming slight  
for a time in central areas.

Rain, showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.

Slight at times in central areas, otherwise moderate or rough.

Showers.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Easterly or northeasterly, 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in north, veering  
southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in north.

Rain, showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.

Moderate or rough.

Showers.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

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

Valid Saturday 04 Feb 2017 at 0000 UTC until Saturday 04 Feb 2017 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

The strong southerly airflow will back southeasterly as low pressure moves away  
towards Iceland

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Southerly severe gale force 9 decreasing gale force 8 imminent, then backing southeasterly soon. (issued 03/1548 UTC).

South backing southeast 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8  
Rough or very rough.  
Occasional rain.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Saturday 04 Feb until 0000 UTC on Sunday 05 Feb:  
Southeast 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, then veering south 4 or 5 later.  
Rough or very rough.  
Occasional rain or showers  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly 3 to 4, locally 5, soon backing east, locally variable 1 to 3, then northerly 4 to 6, perhaps locally 7, by dawn, backing west 4 by midday, then southerly 4 to 5, locally 6, in the afternoon, becoming southwest to south 3 to 4 by midnight.

Rather rough to rough, soon decreasing moderate to rather rough, increasing rather rough to rough in the evening.

Showers soon clearing, then rain, locally heavy rain clearing after dawn scattered rain or hail showers from mid-afternoon, perhaps prolonged, with the risk of thunder.

Good, occasionally moderate to poor in rain or showers.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly 5 to 6, locally 7, veering southwest and decreasing 2 to 4 overnight, becoming east to northeast by morning, backing northwest by afternoon and increasing 4 to 6.

Rather rough to rough with a swell, decreasing slight to moderate for a time, increasing moderate to rather rough in the evening.

Showers in the north soon clearing risk of rain in the south around dawn.

Good, locally moderate to poor in showers and in any rain.

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