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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore  
for the period 1800 UTC Tuesday 04 April to 1800 UTC Wednesday 05 April 2017

#### General Situation

High pressure centred to the southwest of Ireland will remain slow moving with a broad ridge of high pressure extending across much of the United Kingdom. A strong, showery westerly airflow will cover northern areas of the United Kingdom, with gales or severe gales across the northern isles for a time.

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

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in north, veering northwesterly 7 or gale 8, decreasing 5 or 6 later.

Slight or moderate throughout in Moray Firth, but in north, high or very high becoming very rough later.

Squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly, backing westerly, 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate in Moray Firth, otherwise rough or very rough.

Showers.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in north, veering northwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 near Rattray Head.

Slight or moderate, becoming rough for a time near Rattray Head.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly, backing westerly, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

West, veering northwest, 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 for a time.

Slight, occasionally moderate.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest, backing west, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

#### Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

North, backing northwest, 4 or 5.

Slight, occasionally moderate.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 4 or 5, decreasing 3 for a time.

Slight or moderate.  
Fair.  
Good.

#### Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

##### 24 hour forecast:

Northerly, or northwesterly, 4 or 5, decreasing 3.  
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate later in north.  
Fair.  
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

##### Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northwesterly, becoming variable, 3 or 4.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in south.  
Fair.  
Good.

#### North Foreland to Selsey Bill

##### 24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly, backing northerly, 3 or 4, increasing 5 for a time.  
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate near headlands at first.  
Fair.  
Good occasionally moderate.

##### Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly, becoming variable, 3 or 4.  
Smooth or slight.  
Fair.  
Good.

#### Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

##### 24 hour forecast:

North 3 or 4, increasing 5 for a time.  
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate at first.  
Fair.  
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

##### Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North, becoming variable, 3 or 4.  
Smooth or slight.  
Fair.  
Good.

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

##### 24 hour forecast:

Northerly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, veering northeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in west.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in west.  
Fair.  
Good.

##### Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly or northwesterly, becoming variable, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first in west.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first near the Isles of Scilly, becoming smooth in shelter.  
Fair.  
Good.

#### Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

##### 24 hour forecast:

North 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.  
Rough becoming moderate, occasionally slight later.  
Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North, becoming variable, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel

24 hour forecast:

North or northwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 for a time.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first near St Davids Head.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northwest, becoming variable, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate at first near St Davids Head.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 for a time.

Slight, occasionally moderate.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest, backing west, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight occasionally moderate at first.

Fair.

Good.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest, backing southwest later, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly, veering northwesterly, 4 or 5, increasing 6 for a time.

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

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly, backing westerly, 4 or 5, decreasing 3 at times.

In north, rough becoming moderate, but in east, smooth or slight, occasionally moderate at first.

Showers in north.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Westerly, veering northwesterly, 4 or 5, increasing 6 for a time in the North Channel.  
Slight or moderate, but rough or very rough for a time near the Mull of Kintyre.  
Showers.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Northwesterly, backing westerly, 4 or 5, decreasing 3 at times.  
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate.  
Showers then fair.  
Good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
West 5 or 6, occasionally 7 at first, veering northwest 4 or 5.  
Very rough becoming rough, occasionally moderate later.  
Showers.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Northwest, backing west, 4 or 5.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first.  
Showers then fair.  
Good.

The Minch - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Westerly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 at first in far north, veering northwesterly 5 to 7, then backing westerly 4 or 5 later.  
Slight or moderate, but rough or very rough for a time in far south and in far north.  
Squally showers.  
Good occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Westerly, backing southwesterly, 4 or 5, increasing 6 in north.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first in far north.  
Showers.  
Good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Westerly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 at first in far north, veering northwesterly 5 to 7, then backing westerly 4 or 5 later.  
High, occasionally very high at first in far north, becoming rough or very rough later.  
Squally showers.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Westerly, backing southwesterly, 4 or 5, increasing 6 in north.  
Very rough becoming rough, occasionally moderate later.  
Showers.  
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland  
Valid Tuesday 04 Apr 2017 at 1800 UTC until Wednesday 05 Apr 2017 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation  
An unstable westerly airflow covers Shetland Waters with very high seas and severe gales or storms.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Southwesterly gale force 8 increasing severe gale force 9 soon, veering westerly and increasing storm force 10 later, issued at 0339 on Tuesday 4 April.

Westerly 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 in far northwest.  
Rough or very rough east of Shetland, otherwise high or very high.  
Squally showers.  
Moderate or good, becoming moderate or poor except near eastern coasts.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Wednesday 05 Apr until 1800 UTC on Wednesday 05 Apr:  
Westerly 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 at first in far north, veering northwesterly 6 or 7 later.  
High, occasionally very high at first, but rough or very rough east of Shetland.  
Squally showers.  
Moderate or poor, occasionally good in east.

Channel Islands - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
North to northeast 3 to 4, increasing 4 to 5 this evening, perhaps locally 6 until dawn, occasionally 3 in the afternoon.  
Slight to moderate.  
Occasional light rain or drizzle and mist patches until dawn.  
Good, occasionally moderate to poor until dawn.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Northerly 3 to 4, occasionally 5, veering northeast from midnight, decreasing 2 to 3 during the afternoon.  
Slight with a low swell.  
Fair periods.  
Good.

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