

AND NOW THE SHIPPING FORECAST ISSUED BY THE MET OFFICE, ON BEHALF OF THE MARITIME AND COASTGUARD AGENCY, AT 1130 ON WEDNESDAY 03 FEBRUARY 2010

THERE ARE WARNINGS OF GALES IN DOGGER GERMAN BIGHT ROCKALL AND BAILEY

THE GENERAL SYNOPSIS AT 0600
DEVELOPING ATLANTIC LOW EXPECTED 400 MILES WEST OF SHANNON 958 BY 0600 TOMORROW. LOW VIKING 998 LOSING ITS IDENTITY BY SAME TIME. NEW LOW EXPECTED BAILEY 993 BY THAT TIME

THE AREA FORECASTS FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS

VIKING NORTH UTSIRE SOUTH UTSIRE
NORTHWESTERLY 4 OR 5, BECOMING VARIABLE 4, THEN SOUTHEASTERLY 5 TO 7 LATER. MAINLY MODERATE. RAIN OR WINTRY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

FORTIES CROMARTY FORTH TYNE
NORTHWESTERLY BACKING SOUTHERLY 4 OR 5, INCREASING 5 TO 7 LATER. MODERATE, OCCASIONALLY ROUGH AT FIRST. RAIN OR WINTRY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

DOGGER FISHER GERMAN BIGHT
NORTHWESTERLY 4 OR 5 BUT 6 TO GALE 8 AT FIRST IN DOGGER AND GERMAN BIGHT, BACKING SOUTHEASTERLY LATER, OCCASIONALLY 6. ROUGH BECOMING MODERATE. OCCASIONAL RAIN AND SNOW. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

HUMBER
WEST BACKING SOUTHEAST 4 OR 5, OCCASIONALLY 6 AT FIRST, BECOMING VARIABLE 4 FOR A TIME LATER. MODERATE, OCCASIONALLY SLIGHT LATER. OCCASIONAL RAIN AND SNOW. MAINLY MODERATE

THAMES
WEST BACKING SOUTHEAST 4 OR 5, THEN VEERING SOUTHWEST, OCCASIONALLY 6. SLIGHT OR MODERATE. OCCASIONAL RAIN. MAINLY MODERATE

DOVER WIGHT
VARIABLE 3 BECOMING SOUTHWEST 5 OR 6. SLIGHT OR MODERATE. OCCASIONAL RAIN. MAINLY MODERATE

PORTLAND PLYMOUTH BISCAY
SOUTHWEST 4 OR 5 BACKING SOUTH 5 TO 7 LATER, PERHAPS GALE 8. MODERATE OR ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY VERY ROUGH LATER. OCCASIONAL RAIN. MAINLY MODERATE

FITZROY SOLE
MAINLY SOUTHERLY OR SOUTHWESTERLY 5 TO 7, PERHAPS GALE 8 LATER. ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY VERY ROUGH LATER. OCCASIONAL RAIN. MAINLY MODERATE

LUNDY FASTNET IRISH SEA
SOUTH OR SOUTHWEST, BACKING SOUTHEAST AT TIMES, 5 TO 7. MODERATE OR ROUGH BUT MAINLY SLIGHT IN IRISH SEA. OCCASIONAL RAIN AND SLEET. MAINLY MODERATE

SHANNON SOUTH ROCKALL
SOUTHWESTERLY BECOMING CYCLONIC OR SOUTHEASTERLY 5 TO 7, DECREASING 4 FOR A TIME, PERHAPS GALE 8 LATER. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MAINLY MODERATE

NORTH ROCKALL MALIN HEBRIDES BAILEY
SOUTHEASTERLY BECOMING CYCLONIC 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8 AT FIRST

IN ROCKALL AND BAILEY. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. OCCASIONAL RAIN AND SNOW.
MAINLY MODERATE

FAIR ISLE FAEROES

NORTHERLY 5 BECOMING VARIABLE 3 OR 4, THEN BECOMING SOUTHEASTERLY 5
TO 7. MODERATE OR ROUGH. WINTRY SHOWERS OR RAIN AND SNOW. MODERATE OR
GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

SOUTHEAST ICELAND

NORTHEASTERLY 5 TO 7, PERHAPS GALE 8 LATER. MODERATE OR ROUGH. WINTRY
SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD