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

General Situation

High pressure over southwest England will decline northwestwards. Cold fronts continue southwards across the United Kingdom through Saturday introducing a cold, unstable northerly airflow.

From Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

North or northwest 5 to 7, increasing 7 or gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 later.

Squally showers, turning wintry.

Good.

Moderate or rough, increasing rough or very rough, occasionally high in north.

Rattray Head to Berwick on Tweed

24 hour forecast:

North or northwest 5 or 6, increasing 7 or perhaps gale 8 later.

Showers, turning wintry later.

Good.

Slight increasing moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in north.

Berwick on Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Northwest veering north for a time, 4 or 5 increasing 6 or 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Showers, turning wintry later.

Good.

Slight increasing rough or very rough.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 4 or 5, veering northerly 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Showers, turning wintry later.

Good.

Slight increasing rough or very rough.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Westerly veering northerly 3 or 4 increasing 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good.

Slight becoming moderate or rough.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Westerly veering northerly 4 occasionally 5.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good.

Slight.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 3 or 4 veering north 5 or 6 later.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good.

Slight.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4 veering north 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.

Showers.

Good.

Slight increasing moderate in west later.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

West 3 or 4, veering north 5 to 7.

Showers.

Good.

Slight becoming moderate or rough.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwest veering north 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Occasional rain at first, then showers.

Moderate becoming good.

Slight becoming moderate or rough.

Great Ormes Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly veering northerly 3 or 4, increasing 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8 in west.

Showers.

Good.

Slight becoming moderate, occasionally rough in west.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northwesterly 5 increasing 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 in west later.

Isolated showers, wintry later.

Good.

Moderate or rough.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

Northwest veering north 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8.

Showers, turning wintry.

Good.

Slight or moderate becoming moderate or rough.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwest veering north 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8.

Showers, turning wintry.

Good.

Slight or moderate becoming moderate or rough.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point

24 hour forecast:

Northerly 6 to gale 8.

Squally showers, turning wintry.

Good.

Rough, occasionally very rough in west.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath including the Outer Hebrides

24 hour forecast:

Northwest veering north 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 later.

Squally showers, turning wintry.

Good.

Rough or very rough, occasionally high in north later.

Shetland Isles

24 hour forecast:

Northerly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9.

Squally wintry showers.

Good.

Very rough or high.

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