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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0000 UTC Friday 04 May to 0000 UTC Saturday 05 May 2018

General Situation

A ridge of high pressure will bring quiet conditions to the south but a rather brisk and changeable southwesterly airflow will be maintained across the north.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times, but occasionally 7 at first near Cape Wrath.

Moderate occasionally rough in north, slight in south.

Rain or drizzle at times in north, fair in south.

Good, occasionally poor in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5 increasing 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later in northwest, then veering westerly 5 later.

Slight in south, mainly moderate or rough in north, but occasionally very rough later near northwest Orkney.

Rain or drizzle at times in north, fair in south.

Good, occasionally poor in north.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north, becoming variable 3 at times in south.

Slight, occasionally moderate until later in north.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north, becoming variable 3 at times in south.

Slight, occasionally moderate in north.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first, becoming variable 2 at times later.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 3 or 4, becoming variable 2 at times.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Southwest backing south 3 or 4, occasionally variable 2 later.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 3 or 4, occasionally variable 2 at first, increasing 5 at times later.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:
Southerly becoming variable mainly southeasterly, 3 or 4, decreasing 2 at times.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable mainly southeasterly becoming mainly northeasterly, 3 or 4, decreasing 2 at times.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:
Southwesterly becoming variable 3 or less, occasionally 4 later.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 2 or 3 becoming easterly or northeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in east.
Slight, occasionally moderate in east, becoming smooth at times in west.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:
Variable 3 or less, occasionally 4 later.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor in west.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less, occasionally 4 later.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first in west.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:
Southwest 3 or 4 becoming variable 3 or less.
Moderate to the west of Lizard Point, otherwise smooth or slight.
Fog patches developing.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less, becoming north or northeast 3 or 4 later.
Smooth or slight in east, slight or moderate in west.
Fog patches then fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor at first.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:
Southwest 3 or 4 becoming variable 3 or less.
Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in Bristol Channel.

Occasional drizzle at first, fog patches developing.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 3 or less, becoming west or northwest 3 or 4 later.
Slight or moderate in west, smooth or slight in east.
Fog patches in west.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor in west.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel
24 hour forecast:
Southerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first in north, then becoming variable 2 at times.
Slight or moderate becoming smooth or slight.
Occasional drizzle at first, fog patches.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in north, becoming variable 2 at times in south.
Smooth or slight.
Fog patches.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway
24 hour forecast:
Southerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in north, becoming variable 2 at times in Liverpool Bay.
Slight or moderate in north, smooth or slight in south.
Occasional drizzle at first, fog patches in north.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in north, becoming variable 2 at times in Liverpool Bay.
Smooth or slight in south, slight occasionally moderate in north.
Fog patches in north.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor in north.

Isle of Man
24 hour forecast:
Southwest, backing south later, 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.
Slight, occasionally moderate.
Fog patches.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
South or southwest 4 or 5, decreasing 3 at times.
Slight, occasionally moderate.
Fog patches.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough
24 hour forecast:
Southwest backing south 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.
Slight or moderate, becoming mainly slight in east.
Mainly fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
South 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times, then becoming variable 2 or 3 later.
Slight in east, moderate in north.
Fog patches.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly backing southerly 3 or 4, increasing 5 at times.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in shelter in far north.

Occasional drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly 4 or 5, becoming variable 2 or 3 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight later in Firth of Clyde.

Drizzle at times, fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north, becoming variable 3 at times in south.

Moderate or rough near Tiree and western islay, otherwise slight or moderate.

Rain or drizzle at times, fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 3 at first, then increasing 6 for a time in north.

Slight or moderate in shelter in south, otherwise moderate or rough.

Rain or drizzle at times, fog patches.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 or 6, occasionally 4 at first, then increasing 7 at times in north.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 for a time later in north, then veering westerly 4 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough for a time later.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 or 6, occasionally 4 at first, then increasing 7 at times in north.

Moderate or rough.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 for a time later in north, then veering westerly 4 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming rough or very rough for a time later to the west of the Outer Hebrides.

Rain or drizzle at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

Valid Friday 04 May 2018 at 0000 UTC until Friday 04 May 2018 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A southwesterly airstream will cover Shetland and surrounding waters, while Atlantic fronts will move northeast across the area.

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

Southerly or southwesterly 5 or 6, occasionally 4 in south at first.
Rough in west, moderate in east, but slight in sheltered waters near eastern Shetland.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Friday 04 May until 0000 UTC on Saturday 05 May:

Southwesterly 5 or 6, occasionally 4 in southeast later.

Rough in west and far north, moderate in east, but slight in sheltered waters near eastern Shetland.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

West or variable 1 to 3, becoming northerly 2 to 4 in the afternoon, veering northeast Friday evening.

Smooth or slight.

Mist or fog patches spreading in from the west from dawn.

Good, locally poor or very poor in mist or fog.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North to northeast 2 to 3, occasionally 4, increasing 3 to 4 by dawn, perhaps locally 5 in the south and east late afternoon.

Smooth or slight with a low swell.

Mist or fog patches, especially in the west, clearing Saturday morning.

Good, occasionally poor or very poor.

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