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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0000 UTC Sunday 05 February to 0000 UTC Monday 06 February 2023

General Situation

A band of rain will clear southeastern waters overnight, as high pressure moves east over the United Kingdom through Sunday. The strong winds will gradually ease for eastern waters, but will continue across the northwest.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly backing southwesterly 4 to 6, occasionally 7 later near Cape Wrath.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in Moray Firth, but rough or very rough in northwest.

Showers at first, occasional drizzle later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 4 to 6, occasionally 7 in northwest.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in Moray Firth, but rough or very rough in northwest.

Occasional drizzle in northwest.

Good, occasionally moderate in northwest.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 4 to 6, backing southwest 3 or 4, increasing 4 to 6 later.

Slight or moderate, but smooth in southwest.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 to 6.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in north.

Fair.

Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4 or 5, backing southwest 2 to 4, occasionally 5 later.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 3 to 5.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4 to 6, becoming variable 3 or less, then southwest 2 to 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly 3 to 5, veering northerly 4 to 6, becoming variable 4 or less later.
Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate for a time.
Occasional rain at first.
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 4 or less.
Smooth or slight.
Fog patches.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly 3 or 4, veering northerly 4 to 6, then northeasterly 2 to 4 later.
Smooth or slight, becoming moderate for a time in east.
Occasional rain at first.
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northeasterly veering easterly, 2 to 4.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West 3 or 4 veering north 4 to 6, becoming variable 2 to 4 later.
Smooth or slight.
Occasional drizzle at first.
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
East or southeast, but variable near land, 2 to 4.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Variable 2 to 4, becoming northeast 4 to 6, veering southeast 3 to 5.
Smooth or slight in east, otherwise slight or moderate, but rough at first in far west.
Occasional drizzle at first.
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first in west.
Smooth or slight in east, slight or moderate in west.
Fair.
Good.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic becoming northeast 3 to 5, then veering southeast 2 to 4.

Smooth or slight in east, otherwise moderate.

Occasional rain or drizzle at first.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast 2 to 4.

Smooth or slight in east, otherwise moderate.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 3 or 4, becoming variable 2 to 4 then south 3 to 5 later.

Slight, occasionally moderate in south and smooth in north.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest, 3 to 5.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth in northeast.

Fair.

Good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 3 or 4, becoming variable 2 to 4, then south 3 to 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 3 to 5, occasionally 6 near Mull of Galloway.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in north.

Fair.

Good.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4, veering south 3 or 4, then southwest 4 or 5 later.

Slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 4 or 5.

Slight, becoming slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4 becoming variable 3 or less, then south or southwest 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough in far north, otherwise slight, occasionally smooth in south.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far north.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less, then southwesterly 4 to 6.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in North Channel.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 to 6.

Slight, occasionally moderate in North Channel.

Showers.

Good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 3 or 4, becoming variable 2 to 4 then south or southwest 4 to 6.

Mainly moderate or rough, but very rough in northwest.

Showers later.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 to 6, occasionally 7 in northwest.

Mainly moderate or rough, but very rough in northwest.

Showers.

Good.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West backing southwest 4 to 6, increasing 6 to gale 8 later.

Slight or moderate, but rough near northern and southern entrances.

Occasional drizzle.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 6 to gale 8.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional drizzle, rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West backing southwest 4 to 6, increasing 6 to gale 8 later.

Very rough.

Occasional drizzle.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 6 to gale 8.

Very rough, occasionally high west of Outer Hebrides.

Occasional drizzle, rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Sunday 05 Feb 2023 at 0000 UTC until Sunday 05 Feb 2023 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A ridge of high pressure topples east across Shetland waters ahead of an approaching Atlantic frontal system.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle at time of issue: Gale now ceased, but southwesterly gale force 8 expected later (Issued 04/1701UTC)

West or northwest 5 or 6, backing southwest 5 or 6 later
Rough or very rough, but moderate in well sheltered eastern waters
Isolated showers at first
Mainly good

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Sunday 05 Feb until 0000 UTC on Monday 06 Feb:

Southwest 5 to 7
Rough or very rough, but moderate in well sheltered eastern waters, becoming high in northwest later.
Mainly fine
Mainly good

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 2 to 4, veering north to northeast 3 to 5 around dawn, then northeast to east in the afternoon.
Smooth or slight with a low swell.
Rain or drizzle, and a risk of mist patches, clearing soon after dawn.
Good, occasionally moderate or perhaps locally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East to southeast 3 to 4, locally 5 at times.
Smooth to slight, with a low swell.
Risk of mist patches near normandy coast around dawn.
Good, perhaps locally moderate or poor around dawn.

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