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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore  
for the period 0000 UTC Saturday 02 January to 0000 UTC Sunday 03 January 2016

#### General Situation

A low will move eastwards across Wales and England. Gales or severe gales will cover most waters of the United Kingdom on Saturday, before becoming confined to northeastern areas by the end of Saturday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 7 to severe gale 9.

Rough or very rough, becoming high later in east.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast 7 to severe gale 9.

Very rough or high, occasionally very high in northeast, but rough at first near Cape Wrath.

Rain at times.

Moderate, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeasterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 later.

Rough, becoming very rough or high.

Rain at times.

Good becoming moderate, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly or southeasterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in north.

Very rough or high.

Rain at times.

Moderate, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 6 to gale 8.

Rough or very rough, occasionally high later near berwick-upon tweed.

Rain at times.

Good becoming moderate, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast 6 to gale 8, veering southwest 4 or 5 for a time.

Rough or very rough, occasionally high at first near berwick-upon tweed.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeasterly 6 to gale 8, veering southwesterly 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in north.

Rain at times, showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 4 or 5, backing southeasterly 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in north.

Showers then occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southeasterly 6 to gale 8, veering westerly or southwesterly 5 or 6 later.

Moderate or rough.

Rain at times, showers later.

Moderate or poor, becoming good later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or southwesterly 5 or 6, backing southeasterly 6 to gale 8, then veering southwesterly 4 later.

Moderate or rough.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeasterly, veering southwesterly, 6 to gale 8, then veering westerly 5 to 7 later.

Rough or very rough.

Rain at times, squally showers later.

Moderate or poor, becoming good later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, backing southerly 6 to gale 8 for a time.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southeast, veering west, 7 to severe gale 9, then decreasing 6 later.

Rough or very rough, becoming high for a time.

Rain at times then squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 5 or 6, backing south 6 to gale 8, then veering southwest 5 to 7 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic, becoming westerly, 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 at first in west, then backing southwesterly 5 or 6 later.

Very rough or high, becoming rough later.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 at times.

Rough or very rough, becoming high later in far west.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic 6 to gale 8, becoming west 7 to severe gale 9, then backing southwest 5 or 6 later.

Rough or very rough, occasionally high in south, becoming rough later.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest, backing southeast for a time, 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 at times.

Rough or very rough, occasionally high later in far west.

Rain or squally showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 6 to gale 8, becoming cyclonic 4 or 5, then becoming west 5 to 7 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in south.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest, backing southeast for a time, 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 for a time.

Moderate or rough, becoming very rough in south.

Rain then showers, squally later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

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

24 hour forecast:

East or southeast 6 to gale 8, becoming cyclonic 4 or 5 later, occasionally 6 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight later in north.

Rain at times, showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Cyclonic, becoming southwest, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, then backing southeast 6 to gale 8, then decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 6 to gale 8, backing east 5 or 6, then becoming cyclonic 4 or 5, then becoming southwest later.

Rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Occasional rain and drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest, backing southeast, 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8 for a time.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough.

Occasional rain and drizzle, showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 6 to gale 8, backing east 4 or 5, then becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first.

Occasional rain, showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming southeast 6 to gale 8, then veering south 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southeasterly 6 to gale 8, backing easterly 4 or 5, then becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first near the Mull of Kintyre. Occasional rain, showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming southeasterly 6 to gale 8, then veering southerly 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 6 to gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5, .

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first.

Occasional rain, showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later in far west.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 6 to gale 8, backing east 5 or 6.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first in far south.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or southeast 5 or 6, increasing 7 or gale 8.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far south and in far north.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southeast 6 to gale 8, backing east 5 or 6.

Very rough, occasionally high at first, becoming rough.

Rain at times.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or southeast 5 or 6, increasing 7 or gale 8.

Rough or very rough.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

Valid Saturday 02 Jan 2016 at 0000 UTC until Saturday 02 Jan 2016 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Low pushing northeast across southern UK will bring a strengthening SE flow over the area.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Southeasterly severe gale force 9 expected soon issued on 1006 UTC on Friday 1 January 2016

South or southeast 7 or gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 later.  
Rough or very rough.  
Rain later in west.  
Good, occasionally moderate later in west.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Saturday 02 Jan until 0000 UTC on Sunday 03 Jan:

Southeast severe gale 9.  
Rough or very rough, becoming high.  
Occasional rain or drizzle.  
Moderate or good.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South to southwest 7 to gale 8 with gusts to 50kt, increasing gale 8 to severe gale 9 from early morning, perhaps with gusts to 60kt, veering westerly by mid morning, gradually decreasing 5 to 6 by late evening.  
Rather rough in the south to very rough in the north, becoming very rough to high for a time until late evening.  
Squally showers, dying out in the evening.  
Moderate to good, occasionally poor in showers.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West to southwest 5 to 6 backing southerly overnight and increasing 7 to gale 8 by mid morning, perhaps occasionally severe gale 9 mid channel, veering westerly in the afternoon and decreasing 4 to 6.  
Rather rough in the south to rough in the north, locally very rough mid channel at first.  
Rain from early morning, occasionally heavy, clearing early afternoon to showers.  
Moderate to good, occasionally poor.

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