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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0600 UTC Saturday 05 May to 0600 UTC Sunday 06 May 2012

General Situation

Over the weekend, pressure will remain low to the south and the east of the United Kingdom and high to the northwest. A developing low west of Ireland will push further rain northeastwards across the United Kingdom early next week.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 around Orkney.

Moderate or rough, but mainly slight in Moray Firth.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 in northeast for a time, becoming variable 3 or less later.

Mainly slight in Moray Firth, otherwise moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

North or northwest 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4.

Moderate or rough, but mainly slight in Firth of Forth.

Wintry showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable becoming southeast, 2 or 3, occasionally 4.

Slight or moderate.

Wintry showers at first.

Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

North 4 or 5 becoming variable 3 or 4.

Rough becoming moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable becoming mainly south or southeast, 2 or 3, occasionally 4.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 4 or 5 decreasing 3 or 4.

Moderate or rough.

Showers, then fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast becoming variable then southeast, 2 or 3, occasionally 4.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 5 or 6 decreasing 4 or 5, occasionally 3 in north later.

Slight in Thames estuary otherwise moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or showers, mainly in south.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor in south at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly or northeasterly 3 or 4, but 5 in south at first.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or showers in south at first, otherwise mainly fair.

Good, occasionally moderate or poor in south.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeasterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in east for a time, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later in east.

Occasional rain mainly in east.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or northeast 4 or 5 veering east or southeast 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, but rough at first in east.

Occasional rain or showers, mainly fair later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 5 to 7 decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor in east at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast veering southeast 4 or 5, decreasing 2 or 3 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain then mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

East or northeast 5 to 7 decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain, becoming mainly fair later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly or northeasterly 3 or 4 veering southerly or southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain in far west later.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Easterly or northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west at first, and with sea breezes for a time this afternoon, veering easterly or southeasterly 3 or 4 later.

Smooth or slight in east, slight or moderate in west.

Occasional rain in south then mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Easterly 3 or 4 veering southerly or southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west for a time.

Smooth or slight in east, slight or moderate in west.

Occasional rain in far west later.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 near southern headlands at first, veering southeasterly 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 later.

Smooth or slight.

Occasional rain in far south later otherwise mainly fair.

Good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast 4 or 5 becoming variable 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in far south.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less becoming southeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west later.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 4 or 5 just at first, otherwise north 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight later.

Mainly fair.

Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 2 or 3, becoming east or southeast 4 or 5 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate later.

Mainly fair, rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast, becoming variable, 2 or 3, occasionally 4.

Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 2 or 3, occasionally 4 becoming southeast 5 or 6.

Smooth or slight.

Showers.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

North or northeast, becoming variable, 2 or 3, occasionally 4.
Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.
Mainly fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 2 or 3, occasionally 4 becoming southeast 5 or 6.
Smooth or slight.
Mainly fair.
Good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point
24 hour forecast:
Variable mainly north or northeast, 2 or 3, occasionally 4.
Slight or moderate, becoming smooth or slight.
Showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 2 or 3, occasionally 4 becoming southeast 4 or 5.
Smooth or slight.
Mainly fair.
Good.

The Minch
24 hour forecast:
North, backing west or northwest for a time, 3 or 4, occasionally 5.
Smooth or slight south of skye, moderate or rough in north.
Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North veering northeast 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight south of skye, elsewhere, moderate, occasionally rough later.
Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath
24 hour forecast:
North, backing west or northwest for a time, 3 or 4, occasionally 5.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight in south.
Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North veering northeast 3 or 4.
Slight at first in south, otherwise moderate or rough.
Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Saturday 05 May 2012 at 0600 UTC until Saturday 05 May 2012 at 1800 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Low pressure over Scandinavia with a strong, rather cool, north to northwesterly airflow over Shetland waters.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil

Northwest 5 to 7.

Rough becoming moderate in east.
Wintry showers.
Good occasionally moderate or poor.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1800 UTC on Saturday 05 May until 0600 UTC on Sunday 06 May:

Northwest 5 or 6 becoming cyclonic 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough in northwest later.
Wintry showers.
Good occasionally moderate or poor.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 5 to 6 with gusts to 40kt, locally 3 to 4 in the south at first, decreasing 4 to 5 by Sunday morning.
Moderate, locally rather rough in the north and west for a time.
Rain, locally heavy, with mist patches, becoming intermittent overnight.
Moderate to very poor, locally good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 4, occasionally 5 at first, decreasing 2 to 3 around midday, backing north for a time early afternoon, veering east in the evening, then southeast 3 to 4 overnight.
Moderate becoming mainly slight.
Occasional rain or drizzle at first and perhaps in the west later.
Moderate in rain or drizzle otherwise good.

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