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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore from 0600 UTC to 0600 UTC

General Situation

A cold northerly airflow will ease through Tuesday as a ridge edges in from the Atlantic. A milder southwesterly airflow will follow across much of the United Kingdom through Wednesday and into Thursday with gales in the north.

From Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

Northwest backing southwest 6 to gale 8, decreasing 5 for a time.

Wintry showers then rain.

Moderate or good.

Rough or very rough, but mainly moderate in Moray Firth.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 6 to gale 8 veering west or northwest 5 or 6.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Rough or very rough, but mainly moderate in Moray Firth, becoming high in north.

Rattray Head to Berwick on Tweed

24 hour forecast:

Northwest backing southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 for a time.

Wintry showers then fair.

Moderate or good.

Rough, occasionally very rough at first and moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 to 7 veering west 5 or 6.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Moderate or rough.

Berwick on Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 5 to 7 backing southwest 4 or 5.

Wintry showers then fair.

Moderate or good.

Moderate becoming rough.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5 veering west 5 or 6.

Rain later.

Mainly good.

Moderate or rough.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 5 to 7, backing west 4 or 5 later.

Wintry showers then fair.

Moderate or good.

Moderate becoming rough.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5 increasing 6.

Fair.

Good.

Moderate or rough.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Northerly 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8, decreasing 4 later.

Wintry showers then fair.

Moderate or good.

Moderate becoming rough.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly 4 backing westerly 5 or 6.

Fair.

Good.

Moderate or rough.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Northerly 6 or 7, perhaps gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Wintry showers then fair.

Moderate or good.

Moderate or rough.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly 4 or 5 backing westerly 5 or 6.

Fair.

Good.

Moderate, occasionally rough at first.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

Northerly 5 to 7 decreasing 4.

Showers at first.

Mainly good.

Moderate, occasionally rough at first and slight later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly 4 backing westerly 5 or 6.

Fair.

Good.

Slight or moderate.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

Northerly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in west, decreasing 3 or 4.

Showers at first.

Mainly good.

Moderate or rough, but very rough at first in west.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northerly 3 or 4 backing westerly 5 or 6.

Fair.

Good.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight for a time.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

Northerly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in southwest, becoming variable 3.

Showers at first.

Mainly good.

Rough or very rough becoming slight or moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 becoming west 5 or 6.
Fair.
Good.
Slight or moderate.

St Davids Head to Great Ormes Head, including St Georges Channel
24 hour forecast:
Northerly 5 to 7 backing westerly 4.
Showers at first.
Mainly good.
Moderate, occasionally rough at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Westerly 4 increasing 5 or 6.
Fair.
Good.
Moderate.

Great Ormes Head to the Mull of Galloway
24 hour forecast:
Northwest backing southwest 4 or 5.
Showers at first.
Mainly good.
Moderate, occasionally rough at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 4 or 5 increasing 6.
Mainly fair.
Mainly good.
Moderate.

Isle of Man
24 hour forecast:
North or Northwest 4 or 5 backing west later.
Showers.
Moderate or good.
Moderate or rough.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.
Fair.
Good.
Moderate or rough.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough
24 hour forecast:
Northwest backing southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.
Showers at first, rain later.
Mainly good.
Slight or moderate in south, very rough becoming rough in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or southwest 4 or 5 increasing 6 or 7.
Occasional rain.
Moderate or good.
Slight or moderate in south, rough in north.

The Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde
and the North Channel
24 hour forecast:
Northwesterly backing southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.
Showers at first, rain later.
Mainly good.
Moderate or rough.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwesterly 4 or 5 increasing 6 or 7.
Occasional rain.
Moderate or good.
Moderate or rough.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point
24 hour forecast:
Northerly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, backing southwest 5 to 7 later.
Showers at first, rain later.
Mainly good.
Rough or very rough.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 at times.
Occasional rain.
Moderate or good.
Rough or very rough.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath including the Outer Hebrides
24 hour forecast:
Northerly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in north, backing southwesterly 6 to gale 8.
Showers then rain.
Moderate or good.
Rough or very rough.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 6 to gale 8, veering west 4 or 5 for a time.
Occasional rain.
Moderate or good, becoming poor at times.
Rough or very rough, occasionally high later.

Shetland Isles
24 hour forecast:
Northwest backing southwest 6 to gale 8.
Wintry showers, with rain later.
Moderate or good.
Very rough.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest veering northwest 6 to gale 8.
Rain.
Moderate or good, becoming poor at times.
Very rough or high.

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