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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0600 UTC Tuesday 01 May to 0600 UTC Wednesday 02 May 2018

General Situation

An area of low pressure currently centred over the southern North Sea, will move away northeastwards during today. A new area of low pressure will then move across the far northwest of Scotland during the next 24 hours, bringing gales for a time to western waters.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southeast 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7, perhaps gale 8 later, then veering west 5 or 6 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later near Orkney and Rattray Head.

Fair then occasional rain.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, becoming variable 3 or 4 at times later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first in north.

Rain then showers.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later, then veering west 4 or 5 later.

Slight becoming moderate, occasionally rough later.

Fair then occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times, becoming variable 3 or 4 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Rain then showers.

Moderate, occasionally poor, becoming good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West, backing south or southwest, 4 or 5, ncreasing 6 or 7 later.

Moderate.

Occasional rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 5 to 7, veering west or northwest 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4 for a time.

Moderate, occasionally slight.

Rain then showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 5 or 6, backing west 3 or 4, then south or southwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 5 to 7, veering west or northwest 4 or 5.

Moderate, occasionally rough at first, becoming slight later.

Occasional rain, showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 5 or 6, backing westerly 4 or 5, then southerly 5 or 6.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first.

Rain at first.

Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, veering westerly 4 or 5.

Moderate, occasionally rough for a time, becoming smooth or slight later.

Occasional rain, fair later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 4 or 5, backing southerly or southwesterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Mainly good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, veering westerly then northwesterly later, 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough for a time.

Occasional rain, fair later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West backing southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming rough later.

Occasional rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 for a time, veering west 4 or 5, then northwest 3 or 4 later.

Rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Rain at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

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

24 hour forecast:

Westerly backing southwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7, perhaps gale 8 later, then veering northwesterly 5 or 6 later in west.

Slight, becoming moderate or rough, occasionally very rough for a time later in far west.

Fair then occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly 6 or 7 at first in east, otherwise northwesterly 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight later in shelter.

Rain at first.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8 in west, veering northwesterly 5 or 6 later except in far east.

Slight or moderate, becoming rough or very rough except in inner Bristol Channel.

Fair then occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 5 to 7 at first in east, otherwise northwesterly 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Moderate, occasionally rough at first in west.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8, veering northwest 5 or 6 later.

Slight, becoming moderate or rough.

Fair then occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest backing west, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough at first.

Showers.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8 in north and west, then veering northwesterly 5 or 6 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate, then occasionally rough for a time in north and west.

Fair then occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly 5 or 6, backing westerly 4 or 5 later.

Moderate becoming slight.

Rain then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 3 or 4, backing south 6 to gale 8, then veering northwest 5 or 6 later.

Slight, becoming moderate or rough.

Fair then occasional rain.

Good, becoming moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest backing west 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Mainly good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8, then veering northwesterly 5 or 6 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate, then occasionally rough for a time.

Fair then occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwesterly backing westerly 4 or 5.
Slight or moderate.
Showers.
Good.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8, then veering northwesterly 5 or 6 later.
Smooth or slight, becoming moderate, then occasionally rough for a time.
Fair then occasional rain.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwesterly backing westerly 4 or 5.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in North Channel.
Showers.
Good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South or southwest 5, increasing 6 to gale 8, then veering northwest 5 or 6.
Moderate or rough, occasionally slight in shelter.
Fair then occasional rain, showers later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest backing west 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.
Slight or moderate, becoming rough at times in west.
Showers.
Good.

The Minch - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South 5 or 6, increasing 7 or gale 8, then veering northwest 6 or 7, decreasing 4 or 5 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough.
Fair then rain, showers later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest, backing west or southwest, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in far north and far south, becoming smooth at times in central areas.
Showers.
Good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
South 5 or 6, increasing 7 or gale 8, then veering northwest 6 or 7, decreasing 4 or 5 later.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in west.
Fair then rain, showers later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest, backing west or southwest, 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Moderate or rough.
Showers.
Good.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Tuesday 01 May 2018 at 0600 UTC until Tuesday 01 May 2018 at 1800 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A ridge of high pressure covers Shetland but will decline on Tuesday afternoon as a low centre moves east to the north of Scotland.

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

Variable 3, but northerly 4 at first in east, and southerly 4 in west. becoming southerly or southeasterly 5 or 6

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later in west.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1800 UTC on Tuesday 01 May until 0600 UTC on Wednesday 02 May:

Southeast 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 3 to 4, backing southwest to south 4 to 5 by midday, locally variable 2 to 3 mainly in the south in the afternoon, generally increasing 5 to 6 in the evening and 6 to 7 by dawn on Wednesday.

Slight to moderate, becoming moderate to rather rough late evening, locally rough in the north by Wednesday morning.

Risk of a shower rain spreading in from the west by midnight.

Good, becoming moderate to poor in rain.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South to southwest 6 to 7, perhaps gale 8 mid-channel, veering west to northwest 4 to 5 by midday, perhaps occasionally 6, decreasing 2 to 4 by late evening.

Moderate to rather rough, with a low swell, locally rough mid-channel in the morning, decreasing slight to moderate in the evening.

Rain, persistent and perhaps heavy for a time, clearing around midday.

Moderate to poor, becoming good.

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