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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore  
for the period 1200 UTC Wednesday 03 October to 1200 UTC Thursday 04 October  
2012

#### General Situation

An area of low pressure centred over northern Scotland will move northeastwards into the North Sea. Another area of low pressure is expected to track eastwards across southern England on Friday morning.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 near Orkney.

Moderate, occasionally rough near Orkney, but mainly slight in Moray Firth.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5, occasionally 6 near Orkney, backing southwest 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough near Orkney.

Showers.

Good.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 3 or 4.

Slight, occasionally moderate in north at first.

Showers, then mainly fair.

Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 or 6, veering west 3 or 4.

Moderate becoming slight.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West backing southwest 3 or 4.

Slight.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 or 6, veering west 3 or 4 later.

Moderate becoming slight.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 3 or 4, backing southwest 4 or 5.

Slight.

Rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 5 or 6, veering westerly 3 or 4 later.

Moderate, occasionally rough in south.

Rain or showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly 3 or 4, backing southwesterly 5 or 6, increasing 7 or gale 8 in south later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in south later.

Rain later.

Good, becoming moderate later.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 6 or 7, decreasing 4 or 5, veering westerly later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Rain or squally showers, becoming fair later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly 4 or 5, backing southerly or southwesterly 6 to gale 8 later, perhaps severe gale 9.

Slight or moderate, becoming rough.

Fair, then rain.

Good, becoming moderate or poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest veering west 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Rain or showers, becoming fair later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5, backing south or southwest 6 to gale 8 later, perhaps severe gale 9 for a time.

Slight or moderate, becoming rough.

Mainly fair, then rain.

Good, becoming moderate or poor.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 4 or 5.

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

Showers, fair later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5, backing south or southwest 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 for a time.

Moderate or rough, becoming very rough in west later.

Fair, then rain.

Good, becoming moderate or poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 for a time in north.

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

Thundery showers, then mainly fair later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly 4 or 5, becoming cyclonic 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 for a time in south, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Slight at first in east, otherwise moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in southwest later.

Mainly fair, then rain.

Good, becoming moderate or poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

West 6 or 7, decreasing 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Showers, occasionally thundery.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5, backing south or southwest 5 or 6 for a time.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in south later.

Showers, then rain.

Good, becoming moderate, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 6 or 7, decreasing 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Showers, squally at first.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5, backing southwest 5 or 6 for a time.

Slight.

Showers, rain in south.

Good, occasionally moderate in south.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 to 7, veering northwest 3 or 4, backing southwest 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight.

Showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5.

Mainly slight.

Showers.

Moderate or good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or northwesterly, backing southwesterly later, 4 or 5 occasionally 6 at first in south.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in north at first.

Showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly veering northwesterly later, 4 or 5 increasing 6 for a time in northwest.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

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

#### Channel

##### 24 hour forecast:

Westerly or northwesterly 4 or 5, backing southwesterly later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

##### Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly veering northwesterly later, 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

#### Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point

##### 24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly backing southwesterly later, 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Showers, occasionally thundery.

Moderate or good.

##### Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly veering northwesterly later, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 for a time in north.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Mainly good.

#### The Minch

##### 24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly, backing southwesterly later, 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Showers, thundery at times.

Good.

##### Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 for a time in south, veering northwesterly later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

#### Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath

##### 24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly, backing southwesterly later, 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough.

Showers, thundery at times.

Good.

##### Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 for a time in south, veering northwesterly later.

Moderate.

Showers.

Good.

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

Valid Wednesday 03 Oct 2012 at 1200 UTC until Thursday 04 Oct 2012 at 0000 UTC

#### Shetland Isles

##### General Situation

A complex area of low pressure continues to dominate the weather over Shetland and the surrounding waters.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil

Cyclonic 3 or 4 becoming west or northwest 5 or 6 but 7 in the north.

Moderate becoming rough in north and west.

Rain at first then showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0000 UTC on Thursday 04 Oct until 1200 UTC on Thursday 04 Oct:

West or northwest 5 or 6, but 7 at first in north.

Moderate or rough.

Showers.

Good occasionally moderate.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest to west 5 to 6, locally 7, decreasing 4 to 5 for a time in the afternoon, becoming variable 2 to 4 in the north late evening, then west to northwest 4 to 5 by morning.

Moderate to rather rough, locally rough at first, decreasing slight to moderate for a time overnight.

Showers or longer periods of rain, locally heavy with the risk of thunder.

Moderate to poor in rain or showers, otherwise good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 4 to 5 soon decreasing 3 to 4 and backing west by afternoon, then variable 1 to 3, becoming south 4 to 5 late evening, then southwest 6 to 7 overnight.

Moderate to rather rough with swell becoming slight to moderate, increasing rather rough to rough overnight.

Rain soon dying out, then further rain overnight, clearing by the morning.

Good, becoming moderate to poor in rain.

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