

AND NOW THE SHIPPING FORECAST ISSUED BY THE MET OFFICE, ON BEHALF OF THE MARITIME AND COASTGUARD AGENCY, AT 0015 ON WEDNESDAY 03 SEPTEMBER 2008

THERE ARE WARNINGS OF GALES IN GERMAN BIGHT LUNDY FASTNET IRISH SEA SHANNON ROCKALL BAILEY FAEROES AND SOUTHEAST ICELAND

THE GENERAL SYNOPSIS AT 1900

LOW BAILEY 991 EXPECTED SCOTLAND 987 BY 1900 WEDNESDAY. LOW NORTH OF VIKING 992 EXPECTED FAIR ISLE 987 BY SAME TIME. LOW SCOTLAND 993 LOSING ITS IDENTITY BY THAT TIME. ATLANTIC LOW 150 MILES WEST OF FITZROY 1010 EXPECTED FITZROY 1008 BY 1900 WEDNESDAY

THE AREA FORECASTS FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS

VIKING NORTH UTSIRE SOUTH UTSIRE FORTIES
MAINLY SOUTHWESTERLY 4 OR 5, OCCASIONALLY 6 IN FORTIES. MODERATE OR ROUGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. GOOD

CROMARTY FORTH
CYCLONIC OR SOUTHWESTERLY 3 OR 4, OCCASIONALLY 5 IN FORTH. SLIGHT OR MODERATE. SQUALLY SHOWERS. GOOD

TYNE DOGGER
SOUTHWESTERLY 5 TO 7, BECOMING CYCLONIC 3 OR 4 LATER IN NORTH. SLIGHT OR MODERATE, OCCASIONALLY ROUGH IN DOGGER. SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

FISHER GERMAN BIGHT HUMBER THAMES
SOUTH OR SOUTHWEST 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8 IN GERMAN BIGHT, THEN PERHAPS GALE 8 LATER IN FISHER, HUMBER AND THAMES. MODERATE OR ROUGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

DOVER WIGHT PORTLAND PLYMOUTH NORTH BISCAY
SOUTHWESTERLY 5 TO 7, DECREASING 4 AT TIMES IN NORTH BISCAY. ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY VERY ROUGH IN PLYMOUTH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. GOOD

SOUTH BISCAY
SOUTHWEST 5 OR 6 VEERING NORTH OR NORTHWEST 4. MODERATE OR ROUGH. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

TRAFALGAR SOUTH FITZROY
CYCLONIC 5 TO 7, DECREASING 4 AT TIMES IN TRAFALGAR. MODERATE OR ROUGH. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

NORTH FITZROY SOLE LUNDY FASTNET SOUTH IRISH SEA
CYCLONIC 5 TO 7, INCREASING GALE 8, PERHAPS SEVERE GALE 9 LATER, EXCEPT NORTH FITZROY AND SOLE. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

NORTH IRISH SEA
SOUTHWESTERLY BECOMING CYCLONIC 5 OR 6, DECREASING 4 LATER. MODERATE, OCCASIONALLY ROUGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

SHANNON ROCKALL
CYCLONIC 6 TO GALE 8, INCREASING SEVERE GALE 9 AT TIMES THEN DECREASING 5 OR 6 LATER. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY HIGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

MALIN HEBRIDES SOUTHEAST BAILEY
CYCLONIC BECOMING NORTHERLY 5 OR 6, OCCASIONALLY 7 LATER IN NORTH HEBRIDES. MODERATE OR ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY VERY ROUGH LATER IN NORTH HEBRIDES. SQUALLY SHOWERS. GOOD

NORTHWEST BAILEY

NORTHEASTERLY 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8 AT FIRST. ROUGH,
OCCASIONALLY VERY ROUGH AT FIRST. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MAINLY MODERATE

FAIR ISLE

VARIABLE BECOMING CYCLONIC 3 OR 4, INCREASING 5 TO 7, PERHAPS GALE 8
LATER, IN NORTHWEST. MODERATE OR ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY VERY ROUGH IN
NORTHWEST. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

FAEROES SOUTHEAST ICELAND

NORTHEASTERLY 5 TO 7, INCREASING GALE 8 AT TIMES. ROUGH OR VERY
ROUGH. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD