

AND NOW THE SHIPPING FORECAST ISSUED BY THE MET OFFICE, ON BEHALF OF THE MARITIME AND COASTGUARD AGENCY, AT 0015 ON FRIDAY 05 JANUARY 2007

THERE ARE WARNINGS OF GALES IN FISHER GERMAN BIGHT ROCKALL MALIN HEBRIDES BAILEY FAEROES AND SOUTHEAST ICELAND

THE GENERAL SYNOPSIS AT 1800

ATLANTIC LOW EXPECTED JUST NORTH OF ICELAND 969 BY 1800. HIGH PORTUGAL 1035 EXPECTED SOUTHWEST FRANCE 1031 BY SAME TIME

THE AREA FORECASTS FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS

VIKING NORTH UTSIRE SOUTH UTSIRE

NORTHWEST 6 OR 7, BACKING SOUTH 4 OR 5, VEERING WEST LATER. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. OCCASIONAL RAIN. MODERATE OR GOOD

FORTIES

NORTHWEST BACKING SOUTHWEST 5 OR 6, VEERING WEST LATER. MODERATE OR ROUGH. OCCASIONAL RAIN. MODERATE OR GOOD

CROMARTY FORTH

SOUTHWEST 4 OR 5, OCCASIONALLY 6, VEERING WEST LATER. MODERATE OR ROUGH. OCCASIONAL RAIN. MODERATE OR GOOD

TYNE DOGGER

NORTHWEST BACKING SOUTHWEST 5 OR 6, VEERING WEST LATER. MODERATE OR ROUGH. OCCASIONAL RAIN. MODERATE OR GOOD

FISHER GERMAN BIGHT

NORTHWEST 7 OR GALE 8, BACKING SOUTHWEST 5 OR 6, VEERING WEST LATER. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. OCCASIONAL RAIN. MODERATE OR GOOD

HUMBER THAMES

NORTHWEST BACKING SOUTHWEST 5 OR 6. ROUGH BECOMING MODERATE. RAIN LATER. GOOD

DOVER WIGHT PORTLAND PLYMOUTH

WEST BACKING SOUTHWEST 5 OR 6, DECREASING 3 OR 4. ROUGH BECOMING MODERATE. OCCASIONAL RAIN. MODERATE OR GOOD

BISCAY

WEST BACKING SOUTHWEST 4 OR 5, OCCASIONALLY 6 IN WEST LATER. MODERATE OR ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY VERY ROUGH. OCCASIONAL RAIN. MODERATE OR GOOD

TRAFALGAR

VARIABLE 3 OR 4. SLIGHT OR MODERATE. FAIR. GOOD

FITZROY SOLE LUNDY FASTNET IRISH SEA

SOUTHWEST 4 OR 5, OCCASIONALLY 6. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. OCCASIONAL RAIN. MODERATE OR GOOD

SHANNON

SOUTHWESTERLY 5 OR 6, OCCASIONALLY 7. MODERATE OR ROUGH. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

ROCKALL

SOUTHWESTERLY 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

MALIN

SOUTHWESTERLY 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. OCCASIONAL RAIN. MODERATE OR GOOD

HEBRIDES

SOUTHWEST 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. SHOWERS.  
MODERATE OR GOOD

BAILEY

SOUTHWEST 6 TO GALE 8, PERHAPS SEVERE GALE 9 LATER. ROUGH OR VERY  
ROUGH. SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

FAIR ISLE

WEST BACKING SOUTH 3 OR 4, INCREASING 5 TO 7, VEERING SOUTHWEST,  
PERHAPS GALE 8 LATER. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. OCCASIONAL RAIN. MODERATE  
OR GOOD

FAEROES SOUTHEAST ICELAND

SOUTHERLY VEERING SOUTHWESTERLY 6 TO GALE 8, PERHAPS SEVERE GALE 9  
LATER. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD