

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

THERE ARE WARNINGS OF GALES IN ALL AREAS EXCEPT TRAFALGAR AND SOUTHEAST ICELAND

THE GENERAL SYNOPSIS AT 1800

COMPLEX LOW WEST ATLANTIC 957 SLOW MOVING WITH LITTLE CHANGE. NEW LOW EXPECTED SOUTHERN NORWEGIAN SEA 959 BY 1800 WEDNESDAY. NEW LOW EXPECTED 400 MILES WEST OF ROCKALL 982 BY SAME TIME

THE AREA FORECASTS FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS

VIKING NORTH UTSIRE SOUTH UTSIRE

SOUTH OR SOUTHWEST 6 TO GALE 8, OCCASIONALLY SEVERE GALE 9 IN VIKING AND NORTH UTSIRE. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. RAIN THEN SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR AT FIRST

FORTIES CROMARTY

SOUTHERLY 6 TO GALE 8 VEERING WESTERLY 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9, PERHAPS STORM 10 LATER. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY HIGH LATER. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

FORTH TYNE DOGGER

SOUTHERLY VEERING WESTERLY 6 TO GALE 8, PERHAPS SEVERE GALE 9 LATER. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. RAIN THEN SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR AT FIRST

FISHER GERMAN BIGHT HUMBER THAMES

SOUTHWESTERLY 6 TO GALE 8, OCCASIONALLY SEVERE GALE 9. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY HIGH LATER. RAIN THEN SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

DOVER WIGHT PORTLAND PLYMOUTH

SOUTHWESTERLY 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9 DECREASING 5 TO 7. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH INCREASING VERY ROUGH OR HIGH. RAIN THEN SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

BISCAY

WEST OR SOUTHWEST 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. RAIN THEN SHOWERS. MODERATE OR POOR BECOMING GOOD

TRAFALGAR

SOUTHWESTERLY 5 TO 7 IN NORTHWEST AT FIRST, OTHERWISE VARIABLE 4. MODERATE OR ROUGH. SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

FITZROY SOLE LUNDY FASTNET IRISH SEA

SOUTHERLY VEERING WESTERLY 6 TO GALE 8, OCCASIONALLY SEVERE GALE 9. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY HIGH. RAIN THEN SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

SHANNON

WEST OR SOUTHWEST 6 TO GALE 8, OCCASIONALLY SEVERE GALE 9. VERY ROUGH OR HIGH. RAIN OR SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

ROCKALL MALIN HEBRIDES BAILEY FAIR ISLE

CYCLONIC IN BAILEY AT FIRST, OTHERWISE MAINLY WEST OR SOUTHWEST, 6 TO GALE 8, OCCASIONALLY SEVERE GALE 9, PERHAPS STORM 10 LATER. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY HIGH. RAIN OR SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

FAEROES

EASTERLY 4 IN NORTH AT FIRST, OTHERWISE SOUTHERLY VEERING WESTERLY 6

TO GALE 8, OCCASIONALLY SEVERE GALE 9. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. RAIN OR SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

SOUTHEAST ICELAND

EASTERLY BACKING NORTHERLY 5 TO 7. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. RAIN OR SLEET THEN WINTRY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR