

AND NOW THE SHIPPING FORECAST ISSUED BY THE MET OFFICE, ON BEHALF OF THE MARITIME AND COASTGUARD AGENCY, AT 0505 ON WEDNESDAY 05 DECEMBER 2007

THERE ARE WARNINGS OF GALES IN ALL AREAS EXCEPT TRAFALGAR

THE GENERAL SYNOPSIS AT MIDNIGHT

LOW FAEROES 969 EXPECTED NORWEGIAN SEA 963 BY MIDNIGHT TONIGHT. NEW LOW EXPECTED 300 MILES WEST OF ROCKALL 981 BY SAME TIME. LOW 200 MILES WEST OF BAILEY 961 LOSING ITS IDENTITY

THE AREA FORECASTS FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS

VIKING NORTH UTSIRE SOUTH UTSIRE

SOUTHERLY VEERING WESTERLY 6 TO GALE 8, OCCASIONALLY SEVERE GALE 9 IN VIKING AND NORTH UTSIRE. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

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 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY 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 AT FIRST. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY HIGH LATER. RAIN THEN SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

DOVER WIGHT PORTLAND PLYMOUTH

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

BISCAY FITZROY

WEST OR SOUTHWEST 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8, DECREASING 4 IN SOUTH. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY HIGH IN NORTH. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR IN NORTH

SOLE LUNDY FASTNET IRISH SEA SHANNON

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

ROCKALL MALIN HEBRIDES BAILEY

MAINLY WEST OR SOUTHWEST 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9, OCCASIONALLY STORM 10. VERY ROUGH OR HIGH. RAIN OR SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

FAIR ISLE

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

FAEROES

SOUTHERLY VEERING WESTERLY 6 TO GALE 8, OCCASIONALLY SEVERE GALE 9, VEERING NORTHERLY 4 OR 5 IN NORTH LATER. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. OCCASIONAL RAIN OR SLEET. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

SOUTHEAST ICELAND

CYCLONIC BECOMING NORTHWESTERLY 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8, PERHAPS  
SEVERE GALE 9 LATER. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. OCCASIONAL RAIN OR SLEET.  
MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR