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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore  
for the period 1800 UTC Wednesday 03 October to 1800 UTC Thursday 04 October  
2012

#### General Situation

An area of low pressure centred in the northern North Sea will move away northwards. 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:

Northwest backing southwest later, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 near Orkney.  
Moderate, occasionally rough north of Orkney, but mainly slight in Moray Firth.  
Showers.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 near Orkney for a time, veering west 3 or 4 later.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough north of Orkney.  
Showers.  
Good.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

West backing southwest, 4 or 5.  
Slight, occasionally moderate for a time.  
Showers.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, veering west or northwest 3 or 4 later.  
Slight.  
Showers.  
Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 or 5, veering west 3 or 4.  
Slight, occasionally moderate for a time.  
Showers.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West backing southwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.  
Slight.  
Showers.  
Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 or 5, veering west 3 or 4, backing southwest later.  
Slight, occasionally moderate for a time.  
Showers.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 for a time.  
Slight.  
Showers.

Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly 4 or 5.

Moderate, becoming slight.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly becoming cyclonic 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8 for a time in south.

Slight becoming moderate, occasionally rough in south later.

Showers then rain.

Moderate or good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 4 or 5, veering northwesterly 3 or 4 for a time.

Moderate becoming slight.

Rain for a time.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 for a time.

Slight becoming moderate, then rough later.

Fair, then rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 or 5, veering northwest 3 or 4 for a time.

Moderate becoming slight,.

Rain for a time.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 for a time.

Slight becoming moderate, then rough.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 or 5, veering northwest 3 or 4 for a time.

Moderate, occasionally rough for a time.

Showers, rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8 for a time.

Moderate, becoming rough, occasionally very rough in far west.

Rain.

Moderate or poor.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

Westerly backing southwesterly later, 4 or 5.

Rough becoming moderate.

Showers, rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 4 or 5, becoming cyclonic 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 for a time.

Moderate becoming rough in west.  
Rain.  
Moderate, occasionally poor.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
West 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4, backing southwest 5 or 6 later.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough for a time in south.  
Showers, rain later.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Southwest 5 or 6, veering west or northwest 4 or 5.  
Slight or moderate.  
Occasional rain.  
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
West 5 or 6, veering northwest 3 or 4, backing southwest 5 or 6 later.  
Slight, occasionally moderate for a time.  
Showers.  
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Southwest 5 or 6, veering west or northwest 4 or 5.  
Slight, occasionally moderate for a time.  
Showers.  
Moderate or good.

Isle of Man  
24 hour forecast:  
Northwest 3 or 4, backing southwest later, 4 or 5.  
Moderate becoming slight.  
Showers.  
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Southwest 4 or 5, veering west 3 or 4.  
Mainly slight.  
Showers.  
Moderate or good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Northwesterly 4 or 5, backing westerly 3 or 4, backing southwesterly 4 or 5 later, occasionally 6 in northwest.  
Slight or moderate.  
Showers.  
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:  
Southwesterly veering westerly or northwesterly, 4 or 5 occasionally 6 in northwest for a time.  
Slight or moderate.  
Showers.  
Good.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel - (SWW)  
24 hour forecast:  
Northwesterly 4 or 5, backing westerly 3 or 4, then southwesterly 5 or 6 later.  
Slight or moderate.  
Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly veering northwesterly later, 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4 or 5, backing west 3 or 4, then southwest 4 or 5 later.

Moderate occasionally rough for a time, occasionally slight later.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 for a time, veering northwest later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

The Minch

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4 or 5, backing west 3 or 4, then southwest 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4, then northwest 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers.

Good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4 or 5, backing west 3 or 4, then southwest 4 or 5 later.

Moderate, occasionally rough for a time.

Showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, becoming variable 3 or 4, then northwest 4 or 5 later.

Moderate.

Showers.

Good.

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

Valid Wednesday 03 Oct 2012 at 1800 UTC until Thursday 04 Oct 2012 at 0600 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 at time of issue

West or northwest 5 or 6 but 7, occasionally gale 8, in the north.

Moderate or rough.

Rain soon showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first in north.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Thursday 04 Oct until 1800 UTC on Thursday 04 Oct:

West 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough.

Showers.

Good occasionally moderate.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest to west 4 to 6, decreasing generally 2 to 4 by midnight and veering northwest, increasing 4 or 5 around dawn, backing southwest to south 2 to 4 in the afternoon.

Rather rough, locally slight to moderate at times.

Outbreaks of rain, locally heavy, clearing around dawn risk of rain early evening.

Moderate to poor in rain, otherwise good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South to southwest 2 to 4, increasing 6 or 7 by midnight, perhaps locally gale 8 in the north, decreasing 4 to 6 by midday.

Slight to moderate with swell, increasing rather rough to rough after midnight.

Outbreaks of rain or drizzle, clearing after midnight.

Moderate to poor in rain or drizzle, otherwise good.

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