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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0000 UTC Thursday 03 March to 0000 UTC Friday 04 March 2011

General Situation

A large area of high pressure is centred across the United Kingdom, with light winds across most areas, but stronger winds are likely at times through the English Channel.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less, becoming southwest 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

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

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough west of Orkney.

Rain later.

Moderate or good.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less, becoming south or southwest 3 or 4 later.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest, veering northwest later, 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good occasionally poor at first.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good occasionally poor in north later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less, becoming west or southwest 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good occasionally poor in north at first.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Easterly or northeasterly 3 or 4, but variable 3 or less north of Flamborough Head.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.
Moderate or good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northeasterly 3 or 4, but 5 or 6 south of great yarmouth.
Moderate, occasionally rough in south.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northeasterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 in south.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in south at first.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northeasterly 5 or 6, increasing 7 at times.
Moderate or rough.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northeasterly 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 later.
Slight or moderate occasionally rough at first.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 east of portland.
Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northeast 4 or 5, veering east 3 or 4 later.
Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northeast 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.
Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northeast, veering east later, 4 or 5.
Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel
24 hour forecast:
East or northeast 4 or 5.
Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
East or northeast 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Good.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel

24 hour forecast:

East or northeast 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good occasionally moderate in north later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or northeast 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Good occasionally moderate in north at first.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway

24 hour forecast:

Easterly or northeasterly 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less north of Morecambe Bay.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Isle of Man

24 hour forecast:

Variable, mainly between northeast and southeast, 3 or less.

Smooth.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less.

Smooth.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough

24 hour forecast:

South or southeast 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, but southerly or southeasterly 3 or 4 in North Channel.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasional poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 3 or less, but southerly or southwesterly 3 or 4 in North Channel.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point
24 hour forecast:
Variable, mainly south or southeast 2 or 3.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 3 or less, becoming south 3 or 4 for a time.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

The Minch
24 hour forecast:
Variable 3 or less, becoming south or southwest 3 or 4 later.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 4 or 5, veering north 3 or 4 later.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath
24 hour forecast:
Variable 3 or less, becoming south or southwest 3 or 4 later.
Moderate or rough.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 4 or 5, veering north 3 or 4 later.
Moderate or rough.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good occasionally poor.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Thursday 03 Mar 2011 at 0000 UTC until Thursday 03 Mar 2011 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation
A northwesterly airflow will back southwesterly across Shetland.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil

Northwesterly backing westerly 3 or 4, but 5 in the north at first.
Rough or very rough, but slight or moderate to east of Shetland.
Fair.
Good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Thursday 03 Mar until 0000 UTC on Friday

04 Mar:

Westerly 3 or 4 backing southwesterly 4 or 5, but 6 in northwest later.

Rough or very rough, but slight or moderate to east of Shetland.

Fair.

Good.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 5 to 6.

Moderate to rather rough.

Fair or fine.

Moderate to good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 5 to 6, decreasing 4 to 5 by the afternoon.

Moderate to rather rough with a low swell becoming slight to moderate later.

Fair or fine.

Moderate to good.

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