

AND NOW THE SHIPPING FORECAST ISSUED BY THE MET OFFICE, ON BEHALF OF THE MARITIME AND COASTGUARD AGENCY, AT 0505 ON MONDAY 01 JANUARY 2007

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

THE GENERAL SYNOPSIS AT MIDNIGHT

LOW VIKING 969 EXPECTED BALTIC SEA 973 BY MIDNIGHT TONIGHT. ATLANTIC LOW 977 MOVING STEADILY EAST AND LOSING ITS IDENTITY. LOW FASTNET 1008 MOVING RAPIDLY EAST AND LOSING ITS IDENTITY

THE AREA FORECASTS FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS

VIKING NORTH UTSIRE

CYCLONIC BECOMING WEST 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. RAIN THEN SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

SOUTH UTSIRE FORTIES

WEST GALE 8 TO STORM 10, DECREASING 6 TO GALE 8 LATER. VERY ROUGH OR HIGH. RAIN THEN SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR AT FIRST

CROMARTY FORTH TYNE

WEST 6 TO GALE 8, OCCASIONALLY SEVERE GALE 9 AT FIRST. MODERATE TO VERY ROUGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. GOOD

DOGGER FISHER GERMAN BIGHT

WEST GALE 8 TO STORM 10, DECREASING 6 TO GALE 8 LATER. VERY ROUGH OR HIGH. RAIN THEN SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR AT FIRST

HUMBER THAMES DOVER

SOUTHWEST VEERING NORTHWEST 6 TO GALE 8, OCCASIONALLY SEVERE GALE 9 AT FIRST. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. GOOD

WIGHT PORTLAND

SOUTHWEST VEERING NORTHWEST 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9, OCCASIONALLY STORM 10 AT FIRST. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

PLYMOUTH

SOUTHWEST VEERING NORTHWEST 6 TO GALE 8, OCCASIONALLY SEVERE GALE 9. VERY ROUGH OR HIGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. GOOD

BISCAY NORTH FITZROY

SOUTHWEST VEERING NORTHWEST 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9, DECREASING 5 OR 6. VERY ROUGH OR HIGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. GOOD

SOUTH FITZROY

WEST 4 OR 5, BECOMING VARIABLE 3. ROUGH. FAIR. GOOD

SOLE LUNDY FASTNET

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

IRISH SEA SHANNON

WEST 6 TO GALE 8, OCCASIONALLY SEVERE GALE 9. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH, BUT HIGH IN SHANNON. SQUALLY SHOWERS. GOOD

ROCKALL MALIN

WEST 6 TO GALE 8, OCCASIONALLY SEVERE GALE 9, PERHAPS STORM 10 LATER. HIGH OR VERY HIGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. GOOD

HEBRIDES BAILEY

WEST 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8, PERHAPS SEVERE GALE 9 LATER. VERY
ROUGH OR HIGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. GOOD

FAIR ISLE

NORTHWEST 6 TO GALE 8, OCCASIONALLY SEVERE GALE 9 AT FIRST. ROUGH OR
VERY ROUGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. GOOD

FAEROES SOUTHEAST ICELAND

WEST OR NORTHWEST 5 TO 7. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. GOOD