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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0000 UTC Tuesday 03 April to 0000 UTC Wednesday 04 April 2012

General Situation

A deepening area of low pressure will track south across the United Kingdom in the next day or so, becoming slow moving near the south on Wednesday. Much colder conditions with gales and wintry showers will follow.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough.

Snow, then snow showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 5 to 7, backing west or northwest 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough.

Snow showers, occasional rain later.

Good, occasionally very poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Easterly or northeasterly 5 to 7, increasing gale 8 for a time in south.

Moderate or rough.

Rain becoming snow, snow showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeasterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first in south, backing northerly 3 or 4 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight later.

Snow showers, occasional rain later.

Good, occasionally very poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic, becoming northeasterly, 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 later in south.

Moderate becoming rough, occasionally very rough.

Occasional rain, turning wintry later.

Moderate or good, becoming very poor at times later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 6 to gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first.

Snow showers.

Good, occasionally very poor.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming northeast 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming rough or very rough.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first.

Rough or very rough becoming moderate or rough.

Occasional rain turning to snow, snow showers later.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Variable, mainly southwesterly 3 or 4.

Smooth or slight.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly or cyclonic, 3 or 4, becoming northeasterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in north.

Occasional rain turning wintry.

Moderate or good, becoming very poor at times.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Variable, mainly southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly or cyclonic, 3 or 4, becoming northeasterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate, occasionally rough in east.

Occasional rain, turning wintry.

Moderate or good, occasionally very poor later.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Rain or showers later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5, veering north or northeast 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain turning wintry.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7 later.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate or rough later in west.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly veering northeasterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in west.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in west later.

Occasional rain or showers, turning wintry.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northerly or northwesterly 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later in west.

Smooth or slight, becoming moderate or rough.

Rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northeast 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in west.
Occasional rain or showers, becoming wintry.
Good, occasionally moderate.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West, veering north later, 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.
Smooth or slight, becoming moderate or rough.
Rain or showers, turning wintry.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northeast 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first.
Moderate or rough.
Rain or showers, wintry at times.
Good, occasionally moderate.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West, veering north later, 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.
Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate, occasionally rough in south later.
Occasional rain, wintry showers later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northeast 6 to gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in south.
Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West, veering north later, 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.
Slight becoming moderate, then rough.
Showers, rain for a time.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North or northeast 6 to gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5 later.
Rough, becoming slight or moderate later.
Fair.
Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West, veering north, 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough.
Occasional rain, then wintry showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

North 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, decreasing 3 or 4 later.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.
Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West, veering north, 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough.

Occasional rain, then wintry showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North or northeast 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, decreasing 3 or 4 later.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.
Wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West, veering north, 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8 for a time.
Moderate or rough, occasionally slight at first.
Occasional rain then wintry showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
North or northeast 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4 later.
Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.
Snow showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northeast 6 to gale 8, decreasing 5 at times later.
Slight or moderate, becoming rough in north.
Rain or snow, then snow showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northeast 5 to 7, backing north or northwest 4 or 5 later.
Slight or moderate south of skye, otherwise moderate or rough.
Snow showers, occasional rain later.
Good, occasionally very poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Cyclonic, becoming northeast 6 to gale 8, decreasing 5 at times later.
Moderate or rough.
Rain or snow, then snow showers.
Moderate or good, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northeast 5 to 7, backing north or northwest 4 or 5 later.
Moderate or rough.
Snow showers, occasional rain later.
Good, occasionally very poor.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Tuesday 03 Apr 2012 at 0000 UTC until Tuesday 03 Apr 2012 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A cold north to northeast flow covers Shetland and surrounding waters with a ridge of high pressure building in from the west.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil at time of issue

Northeast 5 to 7.
Rough.

Snow showers.
Mainly good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1200 UTC on Tuesday 03 Apr until 0000 UTC on Wednesday 04 Apr:

Northeast 5 or 6 backing north or northwest 4 or 5.

Rough.

Snow showers.

Mainly good.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North 2 to 4, backing northwest 3 or 4 by midday, further backing west 4 or 5 by evening, veering northwest 5 or 6 by midnight.

Slight becoming moderate then rather rough.

Rain later.

Good becoming moderate to poor in rain.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 or 6, soon veering north, perhaps occasionally 7.

Rather rough or rough.

Rain clearing to showers, possibly wintry.

Moderate or poor becoming good except in showers.

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