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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore  
for the period 1800 UTC Wednesday 05 March to 1800 UTC Thursday 06 March 2014

#### General Situation

Pressure will remain low near Iceland whilst high pressure continues to build across central and eastern Europe. Weakening weather fronts will edge erratically southeastwards during the next couple of days.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly veering southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first in north, decreasing 4 at times later.

Slight or moderate in east, moderate or rough, becoming rough or very rough, in north.

Occasional rain, showers for a time.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8, veering westerly 7 to severe gale 9 later.

Slight or moderate in east, moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in north. Rain then showers.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Moderate in north, otherwise slight.

Occasional rain, fair for a time.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable becoming cyclonic for a time, 3 or 4, increasing 5 to 7 for a time in south, then becoming westerly 6 to gale 8 later.

Slight, becoming mainly moderate.

Occasional rain then fair.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Slight, occasionally moderate later.

Fair, then occasional rain.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest veering west later, 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or drizzle, fair later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Slight, occasionally moderate later.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 5 to 7, veering west 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate.  
Occasional rain or drizzle, fair later.  
Good, occasionally moderate.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, increasing 5, occasionally 6 later.  
Smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate later.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain for a time later.

Good, occasionally moderate.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming southerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.

Slight.

Fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly, 4 or 5, increasing 6 for a time.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain for a time later.

Good, occasionally poor later.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

Variable 2 or 3, becoming south or southwest 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 for a time, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or drizzle, fair later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Slight or moderate.

Fair, then occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 5 to 7, veering northwest 4 or 5, then becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in west.

Occasional rain, fog patches for a time, fair later.

Moderate, occasionally very poor, becoming good later.

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

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 5 to 7, veering northwest 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough.

Occasional rain with fog patches, becoming fair later.

Moderate, occasionally very poor, becoming good later.

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

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 for a time.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or drizzle, fog patches developing.

Good, becoming moderate or poor, occasionally very poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, veering west or southwest 5 or 6.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain with fog patches, fair later.

Moderate, occasionally very poor, becoming good later.

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

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 5 or 6, decreasing 4 for a time.

Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in north.

Occasional rain or drizzle, fog patches developing.

Good, becoming moderate or poor, occasionally very poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, veering west or southwest 5 or 6.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Occasional rain with fog patches, becoming fair later.

Moderate, occasionally very poor, becoming good later.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.

Moderate, occasionally rough later.

Occasional rain, fog patches later.

Good, becoming moderate or poor, occasionally very poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 5 to 7, veering west or southwest 5 or 6 later.

Moderate occasionally rough.

Rain or drizzle with fog patches, fair later.

Moderate occasionally poor or very poor, becoming good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest, becoming cyclonic later, 5 or 6, becoming variable 3 for a time.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or drizzle, fog patches developing in southeast.

Moderate or poor, occasionally very poor in southeast.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Cyclonic 5 to 7, becoming variable 4, then west or southwest 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Occasional rain then showers.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly, becoming cyclonic later, 5 or 6, becoming variable 3 for a time.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or drizzle.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Cyclonic 5 to 7, becoming variable 4, then westerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Occasional rain then showers.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

South or southwest 5 to 7, becoming variable 3 or 4 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in northwest.

Occasional rain, fair for a time.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or 4, becoming west or southwest 6 to gale 8, perhaps severe gale 9 later.

Rough or very rough, becoming very rough or high later.

Occasional rain then showers.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, backing south 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Occasional rain, showers for a time.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9, veering west later.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough, and very rough later in south.

Occasional rain then wintry showers.

Moderate occasionally poor, becoming mainly good.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, backing south 4 or 5 later.

Rough or very rough, occasionally high for a time.

Occasional rain, showers for a time.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 4 or 5, increasing 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9, veering west later.

Rough or very rough, becoming very rough or high later.

Occasional rain then wintry showers.

Moderate occasionally poor, becoming mainly good.

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

Valid Wednesday 05 Mar 2014 at 1800 UTC until Thursday 06 Mar 2014 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

#### General Situation

Low pressure over Iceland is slowly moving north east giving an unstable southwesterly flow over Shetland Waters. Wave depression crosses the area overnight.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Southwesterly gale 8 in force, increasing severe gale 9 imminent.

Southwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 in the north at first. Very rough, becoming high in the west later, rough in sheltered east. Rain or drizzle at first. Moderate or good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Thursday 06 Mar until 1800 UTC on Thursday 06 Mar:

Southwesterly 6 to gale 8, perhaps 5 in the south east later. High in west at first becoming rough or very rough, decreasing to moderate in east. Fair, rain later. Good.

#### Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

Variable or south to southeast 1 to 3, becoming south to southwest 3 to 4 by midnight, locally 5 in the north from Thursday morning.

Smooth or slight, locally moderate in the north from Thursday morning.

Fair or fine, becoming locally cloudy in the north and west by Thursday morning risk of mist or fog patches in the north by evening.

Good, locally moderate to poor in the north later, perhaps very poor later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South to southwest 4 to 5, perhaps occasionally 6 in the north overnight, veering southwest Friday morning and decreasing 2 to 4 in the afternoon and backing south to southeast later.

Slight with a swell, locally moderate in the north for a time.

Fair or fine in the south at first otherwise cloudy with a little rain at times and some mist or fog patches.

Good in the south at first, otherwise moderate to poor, locally very poor at times.

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