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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0000 UTC Tuesday 03 March to 0000 UTC Wednesday 04 March 2015

General Situation

A cold and showery westerly airflow will affect the British Isles through Tuesday, with an area of low pressure moving eastwards across northern Scotland later and bringing gales or severe gales to northern parts. A ridge of high pressure will move in from the southwest during Wednesday.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest veering northwest 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time, then occasionally gale 8 later.

Rough or very rough in north, slight or moderate in south, but rough later near aberdeenshire.

Squally wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, backing west 4 or 5, then south 5 or 6 later.

Very rough at first in north, otherwise moderate or rough, but slight or moderate in Moray Firth.

Squally wintry showers then fair.

Good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally 5 in north, perhaps severe gale 9 later in south.

Slight or moderate becoming moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, backing southwest 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough becoming slight or moderate.

Wintry showers then fair.

Mainly good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Slight near shore, otherwise moderate.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, veering northwest 4 or 5, backing southwest 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate.

Wintry showers then fair.

Mainly good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later in north.

Slight near shore, otherwise moderate.

Wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 6 or 7 veering northwest 4 or 5, backing west 4 later.
Slight or moderate.
Wintry showers then fair.
Mainly good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first.
Slight near shore, otherwise moderate.
Squally wintry showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 5 to 7 veering northwesterly 4 or 5.
Slight or moderate.
Squally wintry showers then fair.
Good, occasionally poor at first.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first.
Moderate or rough.
Squally showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly 5 to 7 veering northwesterly 4 or 5.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight.
Squally showers then fair.
Good, occasionally poor at first.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly veering westerly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first in east.
Moderate or rough.
Squally showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 5 to 7 veering northwest 4 or 5.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight.
Squally showers then fair.
Good, occasionally poor at first.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 to 7.
Moderate or rough in east, rough or very rough in west.
Squally showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4 later.
Moderate becoming slight in east, rough or very rough becoming moderate in west.
Squally showers then fair.
Good, occasionally poor at first.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first.
Moderate or rough in Bristol Channel, otherwise rough or very rough.
Squally showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4 later.

Very rough at first near Cornwall, otherwise moderate or rough.

Squally showers then fair.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 6 to gale 8, occasionally 5 at first.

Moderate or rough.

Squally wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, decreasing 4, then backing southwest 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough becoming slight or moderate.

Squally wintry showers then fair.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 6 to gale 8, occasionally 5 at first.

Moderate or rough.

Squally wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, decreasing 4, backing southwest 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough becoming slight or moderate.

Squally wintry showers then fair.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 6 to gale 8.

Moderate or rough.

Showers.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, decreasing 4, backing southwest 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough becoming slight or moderate.

Showers.

Mainly good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 later.

Moderate or rough in east, rough becoming very rough in north.

Squally wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, decreasing 4, backing southwest 4 or 5 later.

Very rough at first in north, otherwise moderate or rough, becoming slight in east.

Squally wintry showers then fair.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming very rough near the Mull of Kintyre.

Squally wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, decreasing 4, backing southwest 4 or 5 later.

Very rough at first near the Mull of Kintyre, otherwise moderate or rough becoming slight or moderate.

Squally wintry showers then fair.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 6 to gale 8 veering west or northwest 7 to severe gale 9, perhaps storm 10 later.

Rough or very rough becoming very rough or high, occasionally very high near Tiree.

Squally wintry showers.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or northwest 6 to gale 8 decreasing 4 or 5, backing southwest 5 or 6 later.

Very rough or high becoming moderate or rough.

Squally wintry showers then fair.

Moderate or poor, becoming good.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly veering northwesterly 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 in south, becoming cyclonic 4 for a time in north.

Rough or very rough in south, moderate or rough in north.

Squally wintry showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, backing west 4 or 5, then southwest 6 to gale 8 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough at first in south.

Squally wintry showers, occasional rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly veering northwesterly 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 in south, becoming cyclonic 4 for a time in north.

Rough near Sutherland, otherwise very rough or high, occasionally very high later in south.

Squally wintry showers.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, backing west 4 or 5, then southwest 6 to gale 8 later.

Rough near Sutherland, otherwise very rough or high becoming rough or very rough.

Squally wintry showers, occasional rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Tuesday 03 Mar 2015 at 0000 UTC until Tuesday 03 Mar 2015 at 1200 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Troughs head across Shetland waters at first. Shallow low tracks southeast over Shetland waters Tuesday evening then away early Wednesday.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil

Westerly or southwesterly 5 or 6, occasionally 4 later in northwest.
Moderate or rough, becoming very rough in west.
Wintry showers.
Moderate or good, perhaps poor at times.

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

Southwesterly backing southerly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 at first, becoming cyclonic 4 later, but 5 or 6 in far south.
Moderate or rough, but very rough in west.
Wintry showers, dying out for a time in east.
Good, occasionally moderate, perhaps poor.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 to 6, occasionally 7 with gusts to 45kt, especially near showers, veering west by dawn, further veering northwest later.
Rather rough to rough, locally moderate in the south at first.
Scattered rain or hail showers risk of thunder.
Good, occasionally moderate to poor in showers.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 6 with gusts to 40kt, decreasing 4 to 5 Wednesday afternoon, further decreasing 3 to 4 in the evening.
Rather rough to rough becoming moderate in the afternoon then slight with swell later.
Isolated rain or hail showers soon dying out.
Good, occasionally moderate in showers.

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