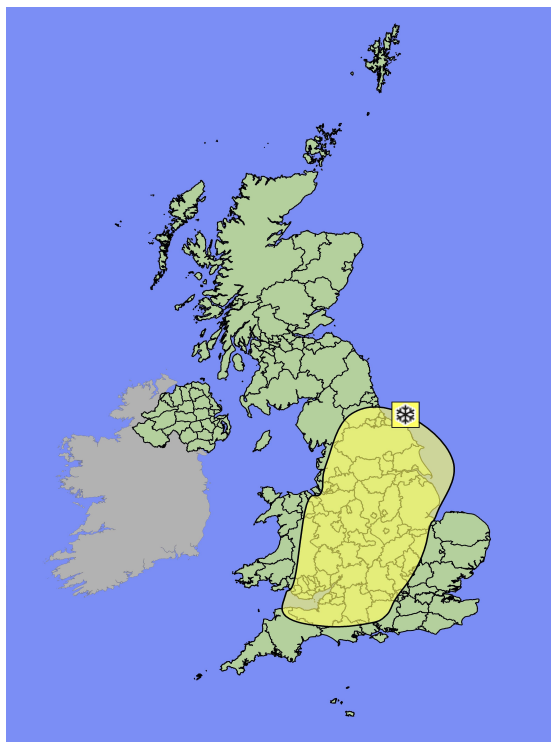




National Severe Weather Warning Service



Chief Forecasters Assessment

On Friday a frontal zone is expected to become slow moving alongside the cold air mass that is currently in place over England and Wales. As this happens rain will turn to snow with some significant accumulations possible. There are however uncertainties regarding exactly where the snow will fall, and how much snow there will be. In some regions, notably northwest England, the West Midlands and East Wales there is the added complication that snow will not develop, but that instead rain will fall onto frozen surfaces, such as roads, giving widespread ice.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Alert of Snow**

Valid from **16:00 on Thu, 09th Feb 2012** until **23:59 on Fri, 10th Feb 2012**

An area of snow is expected to develop over east and northeast England later on Thursday, and then during Friday this will extend steadily southwestwards into central and some southwestern parts of England, as well as the east of Wales. Whilst there is uncertainty regarding where the heaviest and most persistent snow will fall, accumulations of up to about 10cm are possible in the worst affected regions. The public should be aware that, as a result, there could be some disruption to travel.

For more details please go to:

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