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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1800 UTC Thursday 05 March to 1800 UTC Friday 06 March 2015

General Situation

Pressure will remain low near Iceland and high over central Europe. Between these systems, a broad run of southwesterly winds will affect the United Kingdom, strongest in the north, where gales are expected, and here it will remain unsettled.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly backing southerly 5 or 6, increasing 7 or gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 later in far northwest.

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

Occasional rain or showers, mainly in north.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 or storm 10 in north.

Moderate or rough in east, rough or very rough, occasionally high, in north.

Occasional rain, mainly in north.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor in north.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later, decreasing 4 for a time in north.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough later, except in shelter.

Occasional rain.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Occasional rain.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 or 6, occasionally 7 later.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 or 5, backing south or southwest 5 or 6 later.

Mainly slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 3 or 4, backing southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5 later.
Smooth in shelter, otherwise slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 3 or 4, backing southwesterly 4 or 5.

Mainly slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in east.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

West, backing south or southwest, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 later.

Smooth in shelter, otherwise slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, increasing 6 at times.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 3 or 4, backing southerly or southwesterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in west.

Moderate or rough in far west, otherwise smooth or slight, becoming slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 5 or 6, occasionally 7 in far west.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later in far west.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 3 or 4 increasing 5 or 6.

Slight or moderate in Bristol Channel, otherwise rough.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 5 to 7, decreasing 4 at times in east.

Slight in far east otherwise moderate or rough.

Fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 or 6, increasing 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later in northwest.

Mainly fair.

Mainly good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 or 6, increasing 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Slight or moderate becoming moderate or rough.

Occasional drizzle.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional drizzle.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 or 6, backing south or southwest 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Moderate becoming moderate or rough later.

Occasional drizzle later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 7 or gale 8.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional drizzle.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 5 or 6, backing south or southwest 6 or 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Slight or moderate at first in east, otherwise moderate or rough.

Occasional rain, mainly in north.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor in north.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in north, and later in southeast.

Occasional rain, mainly in north.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor in north.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 5 or 6, backing southerly or southwesterly 6 or 7, perhaps gale 8

later.

Rough or very rough near Mull of Kintyre, otherwise slight or moderate, becoming moderate or rough.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough near Mull of Kintyre, and later in far south.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly, 4 at first in north, otherwise 5 or 6, increasing 7 or gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 later.

Moderate in shelter, otherwise very rough or high.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9.

Moderate in shelter, otherwise very rough or high.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or poor, occasionally good.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 or 6, increasing 7 to severe gale 9.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough, becoming rough or very rough, and high later in far south.

Showers then rain.

Good, becoming moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 in north, decreasing 5 or 6 for a time.

Slight or moderate in shelter, otherwise rough or very rough and high at times in south.

Rain.

Moderate or poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 or 6, increasing 7 to severe gale 9.

Very rough or high.

Showers then rain.

Good, becoming moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 7 to severe gale 9, occasionally storm 10 in north, decreasing 5 or 6 for a time.

Very rough or high, becoming high or very high for a time in northwest.

Rain.

Moderate or poor.

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

Valid Thursday 05 Mar 2015 at 1800 UTC until Friday 06 Mar 2015 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A weak ridge builds for a time later on Thursday and into Friday before frontal troughs move northeast across Shetland Waters on Friday.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: southwesterly severe gale force 9 decreasing gale force 8

West or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first.
Moderate or rough in east, otherwise very rough or high.
Occasional showers.
Good, occasionally poor.

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

South or southwest 5 or 6, increasing 7 to severe gale 9.
Rough or very rough, occasionally moderate in east and high in west.
Occasional rain.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 2 or 3, backing southerly overnight, increasing 4 for a time Friday morning.
Smooth or slight.
Fair or fine.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South to southwest 2 to 4, increasing 4 to 5 overnight, locally 6 in the north.
Slight with swell, increasing moderate.
Fair.
Good.

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