

AND NOW THE SHIPPING FORECAST ISSUED BY THE MET.OFFICE  
AT 0015 ON MONDAY 05 JANUARY 2004

THERE ARE WARNINGS OF GALES IN VIKING NORTH UTSIRE SOUTH UTSIRE  
FORTIES

THE GENERAL SYNOPSIS AT 1800  
LOW 300 MILES WEST OF SHANNON 1007 EXPECTED FAIR ISLE 992 BY 1800  
MONDAY. LOW 550 MILES WEST OF SHANNON 1003 EXPECTED JUST WEST OF  
ROCKALL 993 BY SAME TIME. LOW GERMAN BIGHT 1010 MOVING AWAY  
SOUTHEAST. HIGH PRESSURE SOUTHWEST FITZROY TO FRANCE SLOW MOVING

THE AREA FORECASTS FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS

VIKING NORTH UTSIRE SOUTH UTSIRE  
VARIABLE BECOMING SOUTHERLY 3 INCREASING 6 TO GALE 8, PERHAPS  
SEVERE GALE 9 LATER. RAIN LATER. GOOD BECOMING MODERATE

FORTIES  
VARIABLE BECOMING SOUTHERLY 3 INCREASING 6 TO GALE 8. RAIN AT TIMES.  
MODERATE OR GOOD

CROMARTY FORTH TYNE  
SOUTH VEERING SOUTHWEST 3 INCREASING 5 OR 6, OCCASIONALLY 7.  
OCCASIONAL RAIN. MODERATE OR GOOD

DOGGER  
SOUTHWEST, BACKING SOUTH FOR A TIME, 4 INCREASING 5 OR 6,  
OCCASIONALLY 7 IN NORTH. RAIN AT TIMES. MODERATE OR GOOD

FISHER GERMAN BIGHT  
CYCLONIC BECOMING SOUTHEASTERLY 4 INCREASING 5 TO 7.  
OCCASIONAL RAIN OR SNOW. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

HUMBER THAMES  
SOUTHWEST, BACKING SOUTH FOR A TIME, 4 INCREASING 5 OR 6. RAIN  
LATER. GOOD BECOMING MODERATE OR POOR

DOVER WIGHT PORTLAND PLYMOUTH  
SOUTHWEST 4 INCREASING 5 OR 6. RAIN AT TIMES. GOOD BECOMING  
MODERATE OR POOR

BISCAY  
VARIABLE BECOMING SOUTH OR SOUTHWEST 3, INCREASING 4 OR 5 IN NORTH.  
MAINLY FAIR. MAINLY GOOD

TRAFALGAR  
NORTHEAST VEERING EAST OR SOUTHEAST 3 OR 4, OCCASIONALLY 5 IN  
SOUTHEAST AT FIRST. FAIR. GOOD

SOUTHEAST FITZROY  
VARIABLE 3. FAIR. GOOD

NORTHWEST FITZROY SOLE LUNDY FASTNET IRISH SEA  
SOUTHWESTERLY 5 OR 6, OCCASIONALLY 7 IN FASTNET AND IRISH SEA.  
OCCASIONAL RAIN OR DRIZZLE. MODERATE OR POOR

SHANNON  
SOUTHWESTERLY 5 TO 7, PERHAPS GALE 8 LATER IN NORTH. RAIN THEN  
SHOWERS. MODERATE OR POOR BECOMING GOOD

ROCKALL  
MAINLY CYCLONIC 5 TO 7, PERHAPS GALE 8 LATER. RAIN THEN SQUALLY  
SHOWERS. MODERATE BECOMING GOOD

MALIN

SOUTHERLY VEERING SOUTHWESTERLY 5 TO 7, PERHAPS GALE 8 LATER. RAIN THEN SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR POOR BECOMING GOOD

HEBRIDES

VARIABLE 3 BECOMING CYCLONIC 5 TO 7 AT TIMES. OCCASIONAL RAIN. MODERATE OR POOR

BAILEY

VARIABLE 3 OR 4. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

FAIR ISLE

SOUTHERLY BECOMING CYCLONIC 5 TO 7. OCCASIONAL RAIN. MODERATE OR GOOD

FAEROES

MAINLY WESTERLY 4, BECOMING VARIABLE THEN CYCLONIC 3, INCREASING 5 TO 7 IN EAST. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

SOUTHEAST ICELAND

SOUTHWESTERLY 5 BECOMING VARIABLE 3. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD