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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 0600 UTC Thursday 03 March to 0600 UTC Friday 04 March 2011

General Situation

A large area of high pressure is centred across the United Kingdom, with light winds across most areas, but stronger winds are likely at times through the English Channel.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less, then becoming southwest 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough, but smooth or slight in Moray Firth.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 4 or 5, veering north 3 or 4 later.

Slight or moderate, but smooth in Moray Firth.

Rain later.

Moderate or good.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed

24 hour forecast:

North or northwest 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less, then becoming southwest 3 or 4 later.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest, veering northwest, 3 or 4, then veering north 4 or 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Rain later.

Moderate or good occasionally poor at first.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less, becoming west or southwest 3 or 4, then veering north 4 or 5 later.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

East or northeast 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less later.

Smooth or slight.

Fair.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Variable 3 or less, becoming northwest 3 or 4 later.

Smooth or slight.

Mainly fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 in south.
Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first in south.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northeasterly, backing northerly or northwesterly later, 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first in south.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate at first in south.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northeasterly 5 or 6, increasing 7 at times.
Moderate.
Fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northeasterly 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 later.
Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Northeasterly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 east of portland bill.
Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
East or northeast 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.
Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly
24 hour forecast:
Northeast 4 or 5.
Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
East or northeast 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.
Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Good.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel
24 hour forecast:
East or northeast 4 or 5.
Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

East or northeast 3 or 4, occasionally 5 at first.
Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Good.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel
24 hour forecast:
East or northeast 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less later.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good, occasionally moderate at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 3 or less, becoming northeast 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway
24 hour forecast:
Northeast veering southeast 3 or 4.
Smooth.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southeast 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less, then becoming northeast 3 or 4 later.
Smooth.
Fair.
Moderate or good.

Isle of Man
24 hour forecast:
Variable 2 or 3.
Smooth.
Fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Variable 2 or 3, becoming north or northeast 3 later.
Smooth or slight.
Fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough
24 hour forecast:
Variable, mainly east or southeast 3, becoming south or southwest 3 or 4 later.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in west.
Mainly fair.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
South or southwest 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in west.
Occasional rain or drizzle later.
Moderate or good.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel
24 hour forecast:
Easterly or southeasterly, veering southwesterly later, 3 or 4.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate in North Channel.
Mainly fair.

Moderate or good, occasional poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less.
Smooth or slight, occasionally moderate at first in North Channel.
Occasional rain or drizzle later.
Moderate or good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point

24 hour forecast:

East or southeast 3, veering south 3 or 4 later.
Moderate or rough.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 3 or 4, becoming variable 3 or less.
Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

The Minch

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming southwest 4 or 5 later.
Smooth or slight.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, veering north 3 or 4 later.
Smooth or slight.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath

24 hour forecast:

Variable 3 or less, becoming southwest 4 or 5 later.
Moderate or rough.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, veering north 3 or 4 later.
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough later in north.
Occasional rain or drizzle.
Moderate or good occasionally poor.

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

Valid Thursday 03 Mar 2011 at 0600 UTC until Thursday 03 Mar 2011 at 1800 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

A westerly or southwesterly airflow has become established across Shetland.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Nil

Westerly 2 or 3 backing southwesterly 4 or 5.

Rough or very rough, but smooth or slight to east of Shetland.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 1800 UTC on Thursday 03 Mar until 0600 UTC on Friday 04 Mar:
Southwesterly 4 or 5, increasing 6 in north and northwest.
Rough, but smooth or slight to east of Shetland.
Fair.
Good.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northeast 5 or 6 and gusty.

Moderate to rather rough.

Some early morning mist patches today and tomorrow.

Moderate to good, locally poor in mist.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northeast 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 by late evening.

Moderate to rather rough with a low swell becoming slight to moderate.

Early morning mist patches Friday and Saturday.

Moderate to good, locally poor in mist.

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