

AND NOW THE SHIPPING FORECAST ISSUED BY THE MET OFFICE, ON BEHALF OF THE MARITIME AND COASTGUARD AGENCY, AT 0505 ON THURSDAY 06 DECEMBER 2007

THERE ARE WARNINGS OF GALES IN ALL AREAS EXCEPT TRAFALGAR AND SOUTHEAST ICELAND

THE GENERAL SYNOPSIS AT MIDNIGHT
DEVELOPING ATLANTIC LOW MOVING RAPIDLY NORTHEAST, EXPECTED FAIR ISLE 967 BY MIDNIGHT TONIGHT. DEVELOPING LOW MOVING RAPIDLY NORTHEAST EXPECTED DOGGER 983 BY SAME TIME

THE AREA FORECASTS FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS

VIKING NORTH UTSIRE SOUTH UTSIRE
SOUTHWEST VEERING WEST 6 TO GALE 8, OCCASIONALLY SEVERE GALE 9, BACKING SOUTHEAST 5 TO 7. ROUGH TO HIGH. RAIN LATER. GOOD

FORTIES CROMARTY FORTH
SOUTHWESTERLY 7 OR GALE 8, OCCASIONALLY SEVERE GALE 9 IN FORTIES, BACKING SOUTHEASTERLY 5 OR 6 FOR A TIME. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. RAIN LATER. GOOD

TYNE DOGGER FISHER GERMAN BIGHT HUMBER THAMES
MAINLY SOUTHWESTERLY 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. RAIN. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

DOVER WIGHT PORTLAND PLYMOUTH
SOUTHWEST 6 TO GALE 8, PERHAPS SEVERE GALE 9 LATER. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY HIGH IN PLYMOUTH AND PORTLAND. RAIN. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

BISCAY
SOUTHWESTERLY 6 OR 7, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8. ROUGH TO HIGH. RAIN. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

FITZROY SOLE LUNDY FASTNET
SOUTHWESTERLY 6 TO GALE 8, OCCASIONALLY SEVERE GALE 9. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY HIGH. RAIN THEN SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR POOR, BECOMING GOOD

IRISH SEA
SOUTHWEST VEERING NORTHWEST 6 TO GALE 8, PERHAPS SEVERE GALE 9 LATER. MODERATE OR ROUGH. RAIN THEN SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR POOR, BECOMING GOOD

SHANNON
SOUTHWEST VEERING NORTHWEST, 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9. HIGH OR VERY HIGH. RAIN THEN SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR POOR, BECOMING GOOD

ROCKALL
SOUTHWEST VEERING NORTHWEST 6 TO GALE 8, OCCASIONALLY SEVERE GALE 9. VERY ROUGH OR HIGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

MALIN
SOUTH 5 OR 6 VEERING SOUTHWEST 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9, VEERING NORTHWEST LATER. VERY ROUGH OR HIGH. RAIN THEN SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

HEBRIDES
SOUTHWEST BACKING SOUTH 5 TO 7, BECOMING CYCLONIC THEN NORTHWEST GALE 8 OR SEVERE GALE 9, PERHAPS STORM 10 LATER. VERY ROUGH OR HIGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

BAILEY

SOUTHWEST 5 OR 6, BECOMING CYCLONIC THEN NORTHWEST GALE 8 TO STORM 10. VERY ROUGH OR HIGH. RAIN OR SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

FAIR ISLE

WEST BECOMING CYCLONIC GALE 8 OR SEVERE GALE 9, BUT DECREASING 5 OR 6 FOR A TIME. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. RAIN THEN SQUALLY SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

FAEROES

WEST GALE 8 OR SEVERE GALE 9, BECOMING VARIABLE 3 OR 4, THEN NORTHEAST 6 OR 7. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. SQUALLY SHOWERS. GOOD

SOUTHWEST SOUTHEAST ICELAND

NORTHWEST 5 TO 7. ROUGH. SHOWERS. GOOD

NORTHEAST SOUTHEAST ICELAND

MAINLY NORTHEAST 3 OR 4, OCCASIONALLY 5. ROUGH. SHOWERS. GOOD