

AND NOW THE SHIPPING FORECAST ISSUED BY THE MET OFFICE, ON BEHALF OF THE MARITIME AND COASTGUARD AGENCY, AT 0505 ON SUNDAY 01 JANUARY 2006

THERE ARE WARNINGS OF GALES IN PORTLAND PLYMOUTH BISCAY FITZROY SOLE LUNDY FASTNET IRISH SEA SHANNON AND ROCKALL

THE GENERAL SYNOPSIS AT MIDNIGHT
LOW CENTRAL ENGLAND 989 EXPECTED CENTRAL FRANCE 1009 BY MIDNIGHT TONIGHT. LOWS SOUTHEAST ICELAND 994 AND FORTIES 988 LOSING THEIR IDENTITIES

THE AREA FORECASTS FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS

VIKING NORTH UTSIRE SOUTH UTSIRE
EAST 3 OR 4, OCCASIONALLY 5 IN VIKING AT FIRST, BECOMING VARIABLE THEN SOUTHWEST. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

FORTIES CROMARTY FORTH
VARIABLE BECOMING SOUTHWEST 3 OR 4, BUT 5 OR 6 IN EAST FORTIES AT FIRST. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

TYNE DOGGER
NORTHWEST VEERING NORTH 3 OR 4, OCCASIONALLY 5 AT FIRST, BACKING WEST LATER. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

FISHER
EAST 5 OR 6, BACKING NORTHWEST 3 OR 4. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

GERMAN BIGHT HUMBER THAMES
SOUTHWEST 4 OR 5, OCCASIONALLY 6 AT FIRST, VEERING NORTH 3 OR 4. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

DOVER WIGHT PORTLAND PLYMOUTH
NORTHWEST 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8 IN PORTLAND AND PLYMOUTH AT FIRST, VEERING NORTH 3 OR 4. SHOWERS AT FIRST. MODERATE OR GOOD

BISCAY
NORTHWEST 6 TO GALE 8. SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

FITZROY SOLE LUNDY FASTNET IRISH SEA
NORTHWEST 6 TO GALE 8, BACKING WEST 4 OR 5. SHOWERS AT FIRST. MODERATE OR GOOD

SHANNON ROCKALL
NORTHWEST 6 TO GALE 8, BACKING WEST 4 OR 5 THEN SOUTHWEST 5 TO 7, PERHAPS GALE 8 LATER. SHOWERS THEN RAIN. MODERATE OR GOOD

MALIN HEBRIDES
NORTHWEST 5 TO 7, BACKING WEST 4 OR 5 THEN SOUTH 6 OR 7. SHOWERS THEN RAIN. MODERATE OR GOOD

BAILEY
NORTHWEST BACKING SOUTH 5 TO 7, PERHAPS GALE 8 LATER. SHOWERS THEN RAIN. MODERATE OR GOOD

FAIR ISLE
EAST 3 OR 4, OCCASIONALLY 5 AT FIRST, VEERING SOUTHWEST 5 TO 7. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

FAEROES SOUTHEAST ICELAND
WEST BACKING SOUTH 5 TO 7, BUT SOUTHEAST IN EAST FAEROES AT FIRST AND PERHAPS GALE 8 LATER. RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD