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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1800 UTC Wednesday 04 March to 1800 UTC Thursday 05 March 2015

General Situation

A large area of high pressure over biscay will become slow moving over northern France and dominate the weather across much of the United Kingdom over the coming days although Atlantic fronts will affect the far northwest at times.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 4 or 5, backing southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in north.

Moderate or rough north and west of Orkney, otherwise slight or moderate.

Showers then occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 6 to gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5 for a time.

Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough, but mainly very rough north and west of Orkney.

Occasional rain or showers.

Moderate or good.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 3 or 4 backing southwest 5 or 6.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 to 7, becoming variable 4 for a time.

Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 3 or 4 backing southwest 4 or 5.

Moderate becoming slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6.

Slight or moderate.

Mainly fair.

Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 3 or 4 backing southwest 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5.

Mainly slight.

Fair.

Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly 4 or 5 backing southwesterly 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, but rough at first off Norfolk coast.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 3 or 4 increasing 4 or 5.

Slight.

Fair.

Good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill

24 hour forecast:

Northwesterly backing westerly 3 or 4.

Mainly slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly backing southwesterly 3 or 4.

Slight.

Fair.

Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4 or 5 backing southwest 2 or 3.

Moderate well away from shore at first, otherwise slight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 2 or 3 increasing 4.

Slight.

Fair.

Good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4 or 5 backing southwest 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, but rough at first in far west.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 3 or 4, increasing 5 or 6 in west.

Slight or moderate, but rough or very rough in far west.

Fair.

Good.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel

24 hour forecast:

Northwest backing southwest 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate, but rough at first in southwest.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

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

Slight in far east otherwise moderate or rough.

Fair.

Good.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel

24 hour forecast:

West 3 or 4 backing southwest 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 4 or 5 increasing 5 to 7.

Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough.

Mainly fair.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

West 3 or 4 backing southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6.

Slight or moderate.

Showers then fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly, mainly 4 or 5 in south otherwise 5 to 7.

Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough.

Occasional drizzle.

Moderate or good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West backing southwest 3 or 4 increasing 4 or 5, then 5 or 6 later.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest 5 or 6 increasing 6 or 7, occasionally gale 8.

Moderate or rough.

Fair then occasional drizzle.

Good, becoming moderate or poor at times in drizzle.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 3 or 4 increasing 5 or 6.

Moderate or rough in far northwest otherwise slight or moderate.

Showers then occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate, but rough or very rough in far northwest.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Southwesterly 3 or 4 increasing 5 or 6.

Moderate or rough in far northwest otherwise slight or moderate.

Showers then occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly or southwesterly 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate.
Occasional rain.
Moderate or good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 4 or 5 increasing 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate in shelter, otherwise rough or very rough.

Showers then occasional rain.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwesterly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in north, but becoming variable 4 for a time except in far south.

Slight or moderate in shelter, otherwise rough or very rough.

Occasional rain.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 6 to gale 8.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Showers then rain.

Good, becoming moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5 for a time, increasing 7 to severe gale 9 later.

Slight in shelter, otherwise moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest 6 to gale 8.

Rough or very rough, becoming very rough or high.

Showers then rain.

Good, becoming moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, decreasing 4 or 5 for a time, increasing 7 to severe gale 9 later.

Very rough or high.

Occasional rain or showers.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

Valid Wednesday 04 Mar 2015 at 1800 UTC until Thursday 05 Mar 2015 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation

Shallow low east of Shetland soon moves away southeast with ridge of high pressure building by Wednesday afternoon, then declining with troughs arriving early Thursday.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Gale now ceased but southwesterly gale force 8 expected later.

West 4 or 5, backing south or southwest 6 or 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Rough or very rough, but moderate at first, in shelter east of Shetland.

Fair at first, rain later.

Moderate or good.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Thursday 05 Mar until 1800 UTC on Thursday 05 Mar:

Southwest 6 to gale 8, veering west 5 to 7.

Rough or very rough, becoming high later in the west.

Rain at first, showers later.

Moderate or good.

Channel Islands

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4 to 5, veering north this evening and decreasing 2 to 3 soon after midnight, becoming variable or west Thursday morning.

Moderate becoming smooth or slight overnight.

Fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or variable 1 to 3, becoming southerly overnight and increasing 3 to 4 Friday morning.

Smooth or slight with swell.

Fair or fine.

Good.

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