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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1800 UTC Tuesday 03 March to 1800 UTC Wednesday 04 March 2015

General Situation

A cold, showery westerly airflow will affect the United Kingdom as an area of low pressure moves eastwards across northern Scotland. A ridge of high pressure will move in from the southwest during Wednesday and persist in the south through Thursday while an Atlantic cold front affects the far northwest.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest veering northwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, backing west 4 later. Slight in sheltered south otherwise moderate or rough, but rough or very rough north and west of Orkney.
Squally wintry showers then fair.
Good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 backing southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.
Slight in sheltered south otherwise moderate or rough.
Occasional rain later.
Moderate or good.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest veering northwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, backing west 3 or 4 later.
Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough.
Squally wintry showers then fair.
Good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 3 or 4 backing southwest 5 to 7.
Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough.
Mainly fair.
Moderate or good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest veering northwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, decreasing 4 later.
Mainly slight near shore otherwise moderate or rough.
Wintry showers then fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest backing southwest 4 or 5, increasing 5 or 6 for a time.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.
Fair.
Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest veering northwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 or 5 later.
Mainly slight near shore otherwise moderate or rough.
Wintry showers then fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest backing southwest 4 or 5.
Moderate or rough, becoming slight.

Fair.
Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly veering northwesterly 5 to 7, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough.

Squally wintry showers then fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly 4 or 5 backing southwesterly 3 or 4.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight.

Fair.

Good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly veering northwesterly 5 to 7, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough.

Squally showers then fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly 4 or 5 decreasing 3 or 4, backing southwesterly later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight.

Fair.

Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West veering northwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 or 5 later.

Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough.

Squally showers then fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 4 or 5 decreasing 3 or 4, backing southwest later.

Slight or moderate.

Fair.

Good.

Lyme Regis to Lands End including the Isles of Scilly - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 5 to 7 decreasing 4 or 5.

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

Showers then fair.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 4 or 5 backing southwest 3 or 4.

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

Fair.

Good.

Lands End to St Davids Head including the Bristol Channel - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 5 to 7, decreasing 3 or 4.

Slight or moderate in east, rough in west.

Squally showers then fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 3 or 4 backing southwest 4 or 5.
Slight or moderate in east, moderate or rough in west.
Fair.
Good.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West veering northwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, backing west 3 or 4 later.
Moderate or rough.
Showers then fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West 3 or 4 backing southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6.
Slight or moderate.
Fair.
Good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8, decreasing 3 or 4.
Moderate or rough.
Showers then fair.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West 3 or 4 backing southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6.
Slight or moderate.
Mainly fair.
Good.

Isle of Man - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West or southwest 6 to gale 8, veering west or northwest 5 or 6 later.
Moderate or rough.
Showers.
Moderate or good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West or northwest backing southwest 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time.
Slight or moderate.
Mainly fair.
Good.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West veering northwest 6 to gale 8, backing southwest 3 or 4 later.
Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough, but rough or very rough in far northwest.
Showers then fair.
Good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 3 or 4 increasing 5 to 7.
Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough.
Occasional rain later.
Moderate or good.

Mull of Galloway to Mull of Kintyre including the Firth of Clyde and North Channel - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Westerly veering northwesterly 6 to gale 8, backing southwesterly 3 or 4 later.
Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough, but rough or very rough in far northwest.

Showers then fair.
Good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwesterly 3 or 4 increasing 5 to 7.
Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough.
Occasional rain later.
Moderate or good.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West veering northwest 7 to severe gale 9, backing southwest 4 or 5 later.
Slight or moderate in shelter otherwise rough or very rough, but high in west at first.
Squally wintry showers then fair.
Good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Southwest 4 or 5 increasing 5 to 7.
Slight or moderate in shelter otherwise rough, becoming very rough or high in west.
Fair occasional rain later.
Moderate or good, occasionally poor later.

The Minch - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest veering northwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 4 or 5 then backing 5 to 7 later.
Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough, but rough or very rough in far south at first.
Squally wintry showers then fair.
Good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West 4 or 5 backing southwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 5 or 6 later.
Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough, becoming very rough in far south and far north.
Fair then rain.
Good, becoming moderate or poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
Southwest veering northwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 4 or 5 then backing 5 to 7 later.
High or very high, becoming very rough.
Squally wintry showers then fair.
Good, occasionally poor at first.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
West 4 or 5 backing southwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 5 or 6 later.
Rough or very rough, becoming high.
Fair then rain.
Good, becoming moderate or poor.

For Coastal areas up to 60 nautical miles from Lerwick, Shetland
Valid Tuesday 03 Mar 2015 at 1800 UTC until Wednesday 04 Mar 2015 at 0600 UTC

Shetland Isles

General Situation
Low complex northwest of Scotland tracks east across the northern Isles Tuesday, then moves away southeast into the North Sea, as a ridge builds over Shetland Waters on Wednesday.

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle: Northwesterly gale force 8 expected soon, issued at 03/0950

South or southwest 5 or 6, veering northwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 in south.

Moderate or rough in southeast, very rough in northwest.

Showers, some wintry.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0600 UTC on Wednesday 04 Mar until 1800 UTC on Wednesday 04 Mar:

Northwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first in south, backing west 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough in southeast, rough or very rough in northwest.

Showers at first, some wintry.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West 5 to 6 with gusts to 35kt, veering northwest this evening, decreasing 4 to 5 tomorrow afternoon.

Rather rough to rough becoming mainly moderate.

Isolated rain or hail showers, dying out by morning.

Good except in showers.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 4 to 5 veering north decreasing 1 to 3 overnight, becoming variable on Thursday.

Moderate becoming smooth or slight with swell.

Fair or fine.

Good.

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