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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore
for the period 1200 UTC Tuesday 03 March to 1200 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.

Slight in sheltered south otherwise moderate or rough, but rough or very rough north and west of Orkney.

Squally wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 or 6 backing southwest 6 to gale 8.

Slight in sheltered south otherwise moderate or rough.

Wintry showers then fair, occasional rain later.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest veering northwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.

Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough.

Squally wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 4 or 5 backing southwest 5 to 7.

Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough.

Wintry showers then fair.

Good.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest veering northwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.

Mainly slight near shore otherwise moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 7 backing southwest 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight or moderate.

Wintry showers then fair.

Good.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest veering northwest 5 to 7.

Mainly slight near shore otherwise moderate or rough.

Wintry showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 to 7 backing southwest 4 or 5.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight.

Wintry showers then fair.

Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly veering northwesterly 5 to 7.

Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough.

Squally wintry showers.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly 5 to 7 backing southwesterly 3 or 4.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight.

Wintry showers then fair.

Good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly veering northwesterly 5 to 7.

Moderate or rough.

Squally showers then fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly 5 or 6 decreasing 3 or 4, backing westerly later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight.

Showers then fair.

Good.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West veering northwest 5 to 7.

Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough.

Squally showers then fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 or 6 decreasing 3 or 4, backing west later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers then fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 5 to 7.

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 5 or 6 backing southwest 3 or 4.

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

Showers then fair.

Good.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or northwest 5 to 7.

Slight or moderate in east, rough in west.

Squally showers then fair.

Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest backing southwest 4 or 5.

Slight or moderate in east, moderate or rough in west.
Showers then 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.
Moderate or rough.
Squally wintry showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest backing southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6.
Slight or moderate.
Showers then fair.
Good.

Great Orme Head to the Mull of Galloway - (SWW)
24 hour forecast:
West 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8.
Moderate or rough.
Squally wintry showers.
Good.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest backing southwest 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time.
Slight or moderate.
Showers then 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 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, decreasing 5 or 6 later.
Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough, but rough or very rough in far northwest.
Squally wintry showers then fair.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:
Northwest backing southwest 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time.
Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough.
Wintry showers then fair.
Good, occasionally poor at first.

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, decreasing 5 or 6 later.
Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough, but rough or very rough in far northwest.
Squally wintry showers then fair.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwesterly backing southwesterly 5 or 6, decreasing 3 or 4 for a time.

Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough.

Wintry showers then fair.

Good, occasionally poor at first.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest veering northwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 5 or 6 later.

Slight or moderate in shelter otherwise rough or very rough, but high in west at first.

Squally wintry showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 5 or 6 backing southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 or 5 for a time.

Slight or moderate in shelter otherwise rough, becoming very rough or high in west.

Squally wintry showers then fair, occasional rain later.

Moderate or good.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest veering northwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 4 or 5 then backing west 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.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5 backing southwest 7 to severe gale 9.

Slight in shelter otherwise moderate or rough, becoming very rough in far south and far north.

Squally wintry showers then fair, occasional rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Southwest veering northwest 7 to severe gale 9, decreasing 4 or 5 then backing west later.

High or very high, becoming very rough.

Squally wintry showers then fair.

Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West 4 or 5 backing southwest 7 to severe gale 9.

Rough or very rough, becoming high.

Squally wintry showers then fair, occasional rain later.

Moderate or good, occasionally poor.

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

Valid Tuesday 03 Mar 2015 at 1200 UTC until Wednesday 04 Mar 2015 at 0000 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: Nil

Southwest 5 to 7, becoming cyclonic 5 or 6.
Moderate or rough in southeast, very rough in northwest.
Squally showers, some wintry.
Good, occasionally poor.

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0000 UTC on Wednesday 04 Mar until 1200 UTC on
Wednesday 04 Mar:
Cyclonic becoming northwest 5 or 6, increasing 7 for a time.
Moderate or rough in southeast, very rough in northwest.
Squally showers, some wintry.
Good, occasionally poor.

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly 5 to 6, occasionally 7, veering northwest after midnight, decreasing 4
to 5 by midday.
Rather rough to rough, becoming moderate by the afternoon.
Isolated showers with the risk of hail and thunder tonight, dying out Wednesday
morning.
Good, occasionally moderate to poor in showers.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Northwest 4 to 5, decreasing 3 to 4 later this evening, backing west towards
dawn.
Moderate becoming slight overnight, with a low swell.
Fair or fine.
Good.

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