

AND NOW THE SHIPPING FORECAST ISSUED BY THE MET OFFICE, ON BEHALF OF THE MARITIME AND COASTGUARD AGENCY, AT 1130 ON SATURDAY 03 MARCH 2007

THERE ARE WARNINGS OF GALES IN PORTLAND PLYMOUTH BISCAY TRAFALGAR FITZROY SOLE LUNDY FASTNET IRISH SEA SHANNON ROCKALL MALIN HEBRIDES BAILEY FAEROES AND SOUTHEAST ICELAND

THE GENERAL SYNOPSIS AT 0600

LOW THAMES 987 MOVING RATHER QUICKLY EAST AND FILLING. DEVELOPING ATLANTIC LOW 999 EXPECTED 50 MILES WEST OF SHANNON 963 BY 0600 TOMORROW

THE AREA FORECASTS FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS

VIKING NORTH UTSIRE SOUTH UTSIRE

SOUTHEAST VEERING SOUTH OR SOUTHWEST 4 OR 5, OCCASIONALLY 6. MODERATE OR ROUGH. OCCASIONAL RAIN THEN SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD

FORTIES CROMARTY FORTH TYNE DOGGER

SOUTH OR SOUTHWEST 4 OR 5, OCCASIONALLY 6, BACKING SOUTHEAST 5 TO 7. SLIGHT OR MODERATE, OCCASIONALLY ROUGH IN FORTIES. SHOWERS AT FIRST. GOOD

FISHER NORTH GERMAN BIGHT

VARIABLE 3 BECOMING SOUTH OR SOUTHWEST 3 OR 4. MODERATE. OCCASIONAL RAIN AT FIRST. MODERATE OR GOOD

SOUTH GERMAN BIGHT

NORTHEAST BACKING SOUTH 4 OR 5, OCCASIONALLY 6 AT FIRST. MODERATE OR ROUGH. OCCASIONAL RAIN AT FIRST. MODERATE OR GOOD

HUMBER THAMES DOVER

WEST OR NORTHWEST BACKING SOUTHEAST 4 OR 5, INCREASING 5 TO 7 LATER. MODERATE OR ROUGH. SHOWERS AT FIRST. GOOD

WIGHT PORTLAND

WEST 4 OR 5 BACKING SOUTH 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8 LATER IN PORTLAND. MODERATE OR ROUGH. SHOWERS THEN RAIN LATER. GOOD BECOMING MODERATE LATER

PLYMOUTH BISCAY

WEST 4 OR 5 BACKING SOUTH OR SOUTHEAST 6 TO GALE 8, OCCASIONALLY SEVERE GALE 9 LATER IN PLYMOUTH. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH. SHOWERS THEN RAIN. GOOD BECOMING MODERATE, OCCASIONALLY POOR LATER

FITZROY SOLE

SOUTH OR SOUTHWEST 4 OR 5, OCCASIONALLY 6, INCREASING 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9, OCCASIONALLY STORM 10, PERHAPS VIOLENT STORM 11 LATER IN SOLE. VERY ROUGH INCREASING HIGH. SHOWERS THEN RAIN. GOOD BECOMING MODERATE, OCCASIONALLY POOR

LUNDY FASTNET IRISH SEA

SOUTHWEST 4 OR 5 BACKING SOUTH OR SOUTHEAST 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9, PERHAPS STORM 10 LATER IN FASTNET. MODERATE OR ROUGH BECOMING VERY ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY HIGH LATER IN FASTNET. SHOWERS THEN RAIN. GOOD BECOMING MODERATE, OCCASIONALLY POOR

SHANNON ROCKALL

WEST 5 OR 6, BECOMING CYCLONIC GALE 8 TO STORM 10, PERHAPS VIOLENT STORM 11 LATER. ROUGH BECOMING HIGH. SHOWERS, RAIN LATER. GOOD BECOMING MODERATE OR POOR

MALIN HEBRIDES BAILEY

SOUTHWEST BACKING SOUTHEAST 4 OR 5, OCCASIONALLY 6, INCREASING 7 TO

SEVERE GALE 9, PERHAPS STORM 10 LATER. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH,
OCCASIONALLY HIGH LATER. SHOWERS. GOOD

FAIR ISLE FAEROES SOUTHEAST ICELAND
SOUTHEAST VEERING SOUTH OR SOUTHWEST 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY GALE 8 IN
FAEROES AND SOUTHEAST ICELAND AT FIRST, DECREASING 4 OR 5 LATER.
MODERATE OR ROUGH . RAIN OR SHOWERS. MODERATE OR GOOD