

AND NOW THE SHIPPING FORECAST ISSUED BY THE MET OFFICE,  
ON BEHALF OF THE MARITIME AND COASTGUARD AGENCY, AT 0505  
UTC ON FRIDAY 03 JANUARY 2020 FOR THE PERIOD 0600 UTC  
FRIDAY 03 JANUARY TO 0600 UTC SATURDAY 04 JANUARY 2020

THERE ARE WARNINGS OF GALES IN VIKING NORTH UTSIRE SOUTH  
UTSIRE FORTIES CROMARTY FISHER THAMES DOVER WIGHT ROCKALL  
MALIN HEBRIDES BAILEY FAIR ISLE FAEROES AND SOUTHEAST  
ICELAND

THE GENERAL SYNOPSIS AT MIDNIGHT  
HIGH 350 MILES WEST OF FITZROY 1031 EXPECTED FITZROY 1039  
BY MIDNIGHT TONIGHT

THE AREA FORECASTS FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS

VIKING NORTH UTSIRE SOUTH UTSIRE FORTIES  
WESTERLY OR NORTHWESTERLY, 6 TO GALE 8, INCREASING SEVERE  
GALE 9 AT TIMES. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY HIGH  
EXCEPT IN SOUTH FORTIES. WINTRY SHOWERS. GOOD,  
OCCASIONALLY POOR

CROMARTY  
WEST 6 TO GALE 8. MODERATE OR ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY VERY  
ROUGH. SHOWERS, RAIN LATER. GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

FORTH TYNE DOGGER  
WEST OR NORTHWEST 5 TO 7, PERHAPS GALE 8 LATER. MODERATE  
OR ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY SLIGHT IN FORTH AND TYNE, BUT  
OCCASIONALLY VERY ROUGH LATER IN DOGGER. RAIN THEN FAIR.  
GOOD, OCCASIONALLY MODERATE

FISHER  
WEST OR NORTHWEST, 6 TO GALE 8, PERHAPS SEVERE GALE 9  
LATER. ROUGH, BECOMING VERY ROUGH OR HIGH. RAIN AT FIRST.  
GOOD, OCCASIONALLY MODERATE

GERMAN BIGHT HUMBER  
SOUTHWEST VEERING NORTHWEST, 5 TO 7, PERHAPS GALE 8  
LATER. MODERATE OR ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY VERY ROUGH LATER  
IN GERMAN BIGHT. RAIN AT FIRST. GOOD, OCCASIONALLY  
MODERATE

THAMES DOVER WIGHT PORTLAND PLYMOUTH  
SOUTHWEST VEERING WEST OR NORTHWEST, 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY  
GALE 8 AT FIRST IN THAMES, DOVER AND WIGHT, THEN  
DECREASING 3 TO 5, EXCEPT IN THAMES. MODERATE OR ROUGH,  
OCCASIONALLY VERY ROUGH AT FIRST IN PORTLAND AND  
PLYMOUTH. RAIN AT FIRST. GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

BISCAY  
SOUTHWEST VEERING NORTHWEST, 5 TO 7, THEN VEERING NORTH 3  
TO 5. MODERATE OR ROUGH, OCCASIONALLY VERY ROUGH AT  
FIRST. RAIN AT FIRST. GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

SOUTHEAST FITZROY  
WESTERLY 4 OR 5, BECOMING VARIABLE 3, THEN NORTHEASTERLY  
4 OR 5 LATER. ROUGH. RAIN THEN FAIR. GOOD, OCCASIONALLY  
POOR AT FIRST

NORTHWEST FITZROY SOLE  
NORTHWESTERLY 5 TO 7, BECOMING VARIABLE 2 TO 4, THEN  
SOUTHWEST 4 OR 5 LATER. VERY ROUGH BECOMING ROUGH LATER.  
MAINLY FAIR. GOOD

LUNDY FASTNET IRISH SEA

NORTHWEST BACKING WEST, 4 TO 6, INCREASING 7 AT TIMES.  
SLIGHT OR MODERATE, OCCASIONALLY ROUGH AT FIRST IN IRISH  
SEA, OTHERWISE VERY ROUGH, BECOMING MODERATE OR ROUGH.  
MAINLY FAIR. GOOD, OCCASIONALLY MODERATE

SHANNON ROCKALL MALIN

NORTHWEST, BACKING SOUTHWEST LATER, 5 TO 7, OCCASIONALLY  
GALE 8 EXCEPT IN SHANNON. ROUGH OR VERY ROUGH IN SHANNON,  
OTHERWISE HIGH BECOMING VERY ROUGH. SHOWERS. GOOD,  
OCCASIONALLY POOR

HEBRIDES BAILEY

WESTERLY 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9, BECOMING CYCLONIC 5 OR 6  
LATER. HIGH, OCCASIONALLY VERY HIGH AT FIRST, BECOMING  
VERY ROUGH LATER. SQUALLY WINTRY SHOWERS, RAIN LATER.  
GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR

FAIR ISLE FAEROES SOUTHEAST ICELAND

NORTHWESTERLY 7 TO SEVERE GALE 9, VEERING NORTHERLY OR  
NORTHEASTERLY 4 TO 6 LATER, EXCEPT IN FAIR ISLE. VERY  
ROUGH OR HIGH, OCCASIONALLY VERY HIGH. SQUALLY WINTRY  
SHOWERS, RAIN LATER. GOOD, OCCASIONALLY POOR