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Inshore Waters Forecast to 12 miles offshore  
for the period 1200 UTC Saturday 01 February to 1200 UTC Sunday 02 February  
2020

#### General Situation

A low over Scotland will move away to the east, a transient ridge will follow from the west this evening, before the next Atlantic low approaches the west of Ireland.

Cape Wrath to Rattray Head including Orkney - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North 5 to 7, becoming variable 2 to 4, then southeast 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight in Moray Firth, and then more generally later.

Showers then rain.

Good, occasionally moderate in rain.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southeast 4 to 6, becoming cyclonic 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 later.

Rough or very rough, occasionally high in northwest.

Occasional rain or showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Rattray Head to Berwick upon Tweed - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic 5 to 7, becoming variable 2 to 4, then south or southeast 4 or 5 later.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight.

Occasional rain, but fair for a time.

Good, occasionally moderate in rain.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 4 or 5, veering west 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Berwick upon Tweed to Whitby - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Cyclonic, mainly northwest 5 to 7, becoming variable 2 to 4 for a time, then south or southeast 4 or 5 later.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth later.

Occasional rain, but fair for a time.

Good, occasionally moderate in rain.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 4 or 5 veering west 5 to 7, perhaps gale 8 later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Whitby to Gibraltar Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 to 7, backing south 3 or 4 for a time.

Slight or moderate, occasionally smooth later.

Rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate in rain.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 5 to 7, decreasing 4 for a time.  
Slight or moderate.  
Mainly fair.  
Good.

Gibraltar Point to North Foreland - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, backing southerly 3 or 4 for a time.  
Moderate or rough, occasionally slight for a time.  
Rain later.  
Good, occasionally moderate in rain.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, decreasing 4 for a time.  
Slight or moderate.  
Mainly fair.  
Good.

North Foreland to Selsey Bill - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, backing southerly 3 or 4 for a time.  
Moderate or rough, occasionally slight for a time.  
Rain later.  
Good, occasionally moderate in rain.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Westerly or southwesterly 5 to 7, decreasing 4 for a time.  
Slight or moderate, occasionally rough in west.  
Mainly fair.  
Good, occasionally moderate.

Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 to 7, backing south 3 or 4 for a time.  
Moderate or rough.  
Rain later.  
Good, occasionally moderate in rain.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 4 to 6, perhaps 7 for a time.  
Moderate or rough.  
Mainly fair.  
Good, occasionally moderate.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 to 7, backing south 3 or 4 for a time.  
Moderate or rough.  
Occasional rain.  
Good, becoming moderate or poor for a time in rain.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 4 to 6, perhaps 7 for a time.  
Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough in west.  
Mainly fair.  
Good, occasionally moderate.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 to 7, backing south or southeast 3 or 4 for a time.  
Rough or very rough, occasionally moderate later, but slight in Bristol Channel.  
Occasional rain.  
Good, becoming moderate or poor for a time in rain.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 4 to 6, occasionally 7 for a time.

Rough or very rough.

Mainly fair.

Good, occasionally moderate.

St Davids Head to Great Orme Head, including St Georges Channel - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 to 7, backing southeast 3 or 4 for a time.

Rough or very rough, occasionally moderate later.

Rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Moderate or rough.

Occasional rain or showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, backing southeast 2 to 4 for a time.

Moderate or rough, becoming smooth or slight for a time.

Rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Slight or moderate.

Occasional rain or showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Isle of Man - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 at first, backing southeast 2 to 4 for a time.

Moderate or rough, becoming slight for a time.

Rain later.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

West or southwest 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Slight or moderate, perhaps rough for a time in south.

Occasional rain or showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Lough Foyle to Carlingford Lough - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North or northwest 4 to 6, becoming variable 2 to 4, then south 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Slight or moderate in southeast, moderate or rough in northwest.

Showers then rain.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South 4 to 6, veering west 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Moderate or rough in southeast, rough or very rough, perhaps high later in northwest.

Occasional rain or showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

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

24 hour forecast:

Westerly or northwesterly 4 to 6, becoming variable 2 to 4, then southerly 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Slight or moderate.

Showers then rain.

Good, occasionally moderate later.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southerly 4 to 6, veering westerly 5 to 7, occasionally gale 8 later.

Moderate or rough, occasionally very rough later, and perhaps high near Mull of Kintyre.

Occasional rain or showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan Point - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

Northwest 4 to 6, becoming variable 2 to 4, then south or southwest 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Rough or very rough, occasionally moderate in shelter.

Showers then rain.

Good, becoming moderate or poor.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southwest 4 to 6, veering west 6 to gale 8, occasionally severe gale 9 later.

Very rough or high.

Occasional rain or showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

The Minch - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North or northwest 4 to 6, occasionally 7 for a time, becoming variable 2 to 4, then south or southeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6.

Moderate or rough, occasionally slight later.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 4 to 6, veering west 7 to severe gale 9.

Rough or very rough.

Occasional rain or showers.

Good, occasionally poor.

Ardnamurchan Point to Cape Wrath - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

North or northwest 4 to 6, occasionally 7 for a time, becoming variable 2 to 4, then south or southeast 4 or 5, occasionally 6 later.

Rough or very rough.

Showers.

Good, occasionally moderate.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

South or southeast 4 to 6, veering west 7 to severe gale 9, perhaps storm 10 later.

Very rough or high, perhaps very high for a time.

Occasional rain or showers.

Moderate or poor.

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

Valid Saturday 01 Feb 2020 at 1200 UTC until Sunday 02 Feb 2020 at 0000 UTC

Shetland Isles

#### General Situation

A cold northwesterly airstream will become established on Saturday with a weak ridge of high pressure building on Sunday

Gale Warnings in operation for Sea Area Fair Isle at time of issue: Northerly gale force 8 expected soon (issued 2159 UTC on 31st January)

North or northwest 5 to 7

Moderate or rough, becoming very rough in northwest

Wintry showers

Mainly good

Outlook for 12 Hours from 0000 UTC on Sunday 02 Feb until 1200 UTC on Sunday 02 Feb:

Northwest 5 or 6 decreasing 3 or 4

Moderate or rough, but very rough a first in north

Wintry showers dying out

Mainly good

Channel Islands - (SWW)

24 hour forecast:

West to southwest 4 to 6, locally 7 mid channel, decreasing 3 at times in the far south, backing southerly 3 to 4 this evening, increasing 5 to 7 overnight, veering southwest by dawn, decreasing 4 to 6 later.

Moderate to rather rough, locally rough, occasionally slight at times, especially in the south, with a moderate swell developing.

Occasional rain at first, further rain and drizzle by late evening, heavy at times, with mist or fog patches, becoming intermittent by Sunday morning.

Moderate to good, becoming poor or very poor at times.

Outlook for the following 24 hours:

Southwest to west 4 to 6 decreasing 3 to 5 by Monday afternoon.

Moderate to rather rough, locally rough, occasionally slight at times, especially in the south, with a moderate swell developing.

Rain at times, with mist and fog patches especially in the south.

Poor or very poor at times in the south, otherwise moderate to good.

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