



# Shipping forecast for the North Irish Sea

**Valid for 24 Hours**  
**Issued on Wednesday, 15 April 2026 at 5:20am by Ronaldsway Met Office**

- Warnings:** Strong winds.  
**Synopsis:** Low pressure lies in the mid-Atlantic, pushing associated frontal troughs across the Irish Sea today.  
**Wind:** South 5 or 6, increasing South or Southwest 6 or 7 over central and western parts of the area later this afternoon and evening. Becoming Southwest 6 occasionally 7 in all waters for a time tonight, decreasing 5 or 6 later in the night.  
**State of Sea:** Moderate, becoming moderate or rough later today, then moderate again later tonight. Locally slight throughout in Liverpool Bay.  
**Weather:** Outbreaks of rain and drizzle, then becoming fair later this morning or afternoon.  
**Visibility:** Moderate or poor at times, then becoming good later this morning or afternoon.

## **Outlook for the following 24 hours:**

- Wind:** Southwest 5 or 6, decreasing 4 or 5 later tomorrow morning, then backing South by the evening. Increasing South 5 or 6 overnight into Friday.  
**State of Sea:** Moderate, falling slight or moderate for a time,  
**Weather:** Fair, then outbreaks of rain later.  
**Visibility:** Good, falling moderate in rain later.

## **Approximate times of tides in Douglas (heights in metres above Chart Datum):**

Low Water	Today 4:54am	1.3m
High Water	Today 10:43am	6.1m
Low Water	Today 5:08pm	0.9m
High Water	Today 11:11pm	6.6m

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