

Cold Weather Alert Planning Advice

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Forecast for Mon 23 Jan 2012 to Fri 27 Jan 2012

General Situation: A rather cold northwesterly on Monday will be replaced by a very mild, cloudy southwesterly airstream across all parts during Tuesday or early on Wednesday. This will then be followed by a clearer, colder northwesterly regime once more for Thursday and Friday, with snow showers in places, but these will be mainly over higher ground in the north and in the west of the U.K.

Forecast for Sat 28 Jan 2012 to Mon 06 Feb 2012

General Situation: High pressure is expected to bring generally quiet, dry conditions for several days from Saturday onwards, with temperatures near or a little below the average. Overnight frost will be quite widespread. These rather cold conditions are expected to persist until at least Wednesday, after which time a change to more unsettled and mild conditions look likely once more, especially over northern and central England, with southern parts likely to keep the drier, colder conditions a day or two longer.

Forecast for Tue 07 Feb 2012 to Tue 21 Feb 2012

General Situation: During this time indications are that there will continue to periods of cold weather, with temperatures below average for much of the time, but also with some occasional milder, wetter interludes. Rainfall and sunshine amounts are expected to be close to the average for February.

Region	% Risk Day 1 to 5	% Risk Day 6 to 15	% Risk Day 16 to 30	Trigger criteria for each Region - (Deg C)
NE England	40	60	50	Average temp of 2C or less for at least 48 hours, or we anticipate issuing a warning for heavy snow or widespread ice.
NW England	40	60	50	Average temp of 2C or less for at least 48 hours, or we anticipate issuing a warning for heavy snow or widespread ice.
Yorks & Humber	40	60	50	Average temp of 2C or less for at least 48 hours, or we anticipate issuing a warning for heavy snow or widespread ice.
West Midlands	40	50	50	Average temp of 2C or less for at least 48 hours, or we anticipate issuing a warning for heavy snow or widespread ice.

East Midlands	40	50	50	Average temp of 2C or less for at least 48 hours, or we anticipate issuing a warning for heavy snow or widespread ice.
East of England	30	50	50	Average temp of 2C or less for at least 48 hours, or we anticipate issuing a warning for heavy snow or widespread ice.
SE England	30	40	50	Average temp of 2C or less for at least 48 hours, or we anticipate issuing a warning for heavy snow or widespread ice.
London	20	20	30	Average temp of 2C or less for at least 48 hours, or we anticipate issuing a warning for heavy snow or widespread ice.
SW England	20	30	40	Average temp of 2C or less for at least 48 hours, or we anticipate issuing a warning for heavy snow or widespread ice.