

DISTRICT FORECAST IMPROVEMENTS FOR TASMANIA

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The Bureau of Meteorology is upgrading its forecast system to provide more detailed forecasts across Australia.

From June 2011, new and improved district forecasts, with more information, will be introduced in Tasmania.

Example of District Forecasts for King Island

Weather Situation

A weak trough extends through Bass Strait over northeastern Tasmania. A cold front will approach the west of the state by Thursday evening crossing at night, followed by a much cooler westerly change. The front will pass to the east early Friday, with a ridge of high pressure developing north of the state during the day.

Forecast for the rest of Friday

Cloudy with scattered showers. Winds southwesterly averaging 15 to 25 km/h. Daytime maximum temperatures between 14 and 18.

Fire Danger - Low-Moderate

UV Alert from 11:10 am to 1:10 pm, UV Index predicted to reach 4 (Moderate)

Saturday 30 April

High cloud increasing. Winds north to northeasterly averaging 15 to 25 km/h. Overnight temperatures falling to around 11 with daytime temperatures reaching the low 20s.

Sunday 1 May

Isolated showers. Cool to mild with light to moderate northerly winds, shifting west to southwesterly later.

Monday 2 May

Scattered showers throughout. Cool with light to moderate south to southeasterly winds.

The next routine forecast will be issued at 4:15 pm EST Friday. . . .

Weather Situation describes weather systems influencing the area over the next 4 days

Fire danger for each district

District forecasts will extend out to 4 days

Wind speeds described in kilometres per hour

UV alert

Descriptive forecasts for all 4 days

The map below shows the new district boundaries and highlights the 5 new districts

