

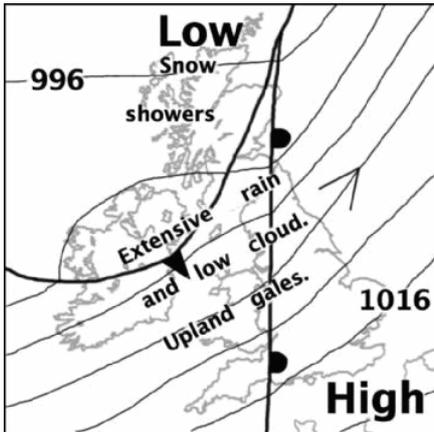
Brecon Beacons

Also includes all higher summits in southern half of Wales.



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General Summary for Saturday, 10 February, 2018



British Mountain Summary:
Based on forecast chart for noon 10 February, 2018

A lull in the weather Scottish Highlands as early snow and rain eases to showers (mainly western hills) and the wind drops markedly. A lull in the wind will extend south to the Lake District in afternoon, but otherwise south from S Scotland, extensive upland gales, rain and fog.

Headline for Brecon Beacons

Upland gales; though temporary slight lull. Extensive rain and fog.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 10 February, 2018

How windy? (On the summits)	South or southwesterly, soon reaching 50mph (much less temporarily south east Wales at dawn). Slight temporary lull afternoon, then 60mph after dark.
Effect of wind on you?	Walking will become very difficult and wind chill significant where exposed on higher areas.
How wet?	Rain most of day Snow, changing to incessant rain most of region, although the rain often light mid-Wales and Black Mountains.
Cloud on the hills?	Persistently shrouding the hills Fog soon widely forming across the hills above 300 to 450m. However, on summits in mid-Wales and Black Mountains, most cloud above 500 to 700m.
Chance of cloud free summits?	Almost nil
Sunshine and air clarity?	Sunshine not expected. Widely poor visibility.
How Cold? (at 750m)	-1C at or pre-dawn. From west, will erratically rise to 5C, perhaps higher toward dusk. Will feel as cold as minus 14C directly in the wind.
Freezing Level	600m at dawn. From west morning, will lift above the summits. Frozen and increasingly icy terrain will thaw.

Brecon Beacons - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 11 February	Monday 12 February
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	West or northwesterly 30 to perhaps 40mph; particularly gusty near precipitation. Walking arduous on higher areas; sudden buffeting even lower slopes near precipitation. Significant wind chill.	Westerly 30 to 40mph. After dusk, backing toward southerly and strengthening toward 60mph. Arduous walking on higher areas, considerable buffeting near precipitation. Significant wind chill.
How wet?	Hail and snow; lightning Hail and snow frequently (sometimes almost constantly) as showers come in off the sea one after another; although periods of few showers east Wales. Whiteout occasionally. Snow increasingly lying lowest slopes. Thunder in places.	Snow showers Hail and snow showers, although few shower east Wales. Gradually changing to rain lower slopes.
Cloud on the hills?	Intermittently shrouding higher areas Quickly varying cloud base: Fog temporarily lower slopes near precipitation, but the cloud often confined above 800 to 1000m.	Often clearing higher tops Cloud base constantly varying. Fog occasionally below 600m near precipitation, but mostly above 800m, generally highest well inland - although cloud base may start to drop into the afternoon, particularly west and south Lakes.
Chance of cloud free summits?	70%	70%
Sunshine and air clarity?	Bursts of sunshine, widely east Wales. Excellent visibility between showers on lower slopes; frequently appalling higher up.	Bursts of sunshine, although patchwork of sun east Wales. Visibility good, although a haze
How Cold? (at 750m) Freezing Level	-2C dropping to -5C 450m dropping to 250m by early or midafternoon.	-3C, although will rise slowly through the day. Terrain more or less frozen from valleys up morning. Slight thawing, up to 650m by late afternoon, as freezing level slowly rises.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 11 February, 2018**

Mostly westerly winds next week will bring frequent precipitation, concentrated on western mountains. Freezing levels will often be low, bringing further snow to the mountains (intermittently lying on lower slopes). Nevertheless, from southern Scotland southwards there will be periods of thaw, whilst on the Scottish Highlands, periods of thaw will occur only rarely, and perhaps not at all above 1000m. Intermittent upland gales; particularly stormy mid-week.

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