

Flood Guidance Statement

10:30hrs Thursday 08 January 2026

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Thursday

8 Jan 2026 10:30-23:59

Trend since last FGS

Steady

Friday

9 Jan 2026

→ Increased

Saturday

10 Jan 2026

↑ Increased

Sunday

11 Jan 2026

↑ Steady

Monday

12 Jan 2026

→ Steady

→

Significant river flooding impacts are possible but not expected in parts of eastern England on Friday. Minor inland flooding impacts are also probable for parts of Wales on Thursday and Friday. The overall flood risk is LOW.

Specific Areas of Concern Map 1 - Thursday 8 to Friday 9 January 2026

RISK AREA A

Impact **SIGNIFICANT**
Likelihood **VERY LOW**



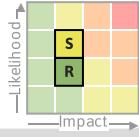
Source River

Likely duration 2 Days

Heavy rain and snow associated with Storm Goretti. Risk lowers to minor on Saturday

RISK AREA B

Impact **MINOR**
Likelihood **MEDIUM**



Source River Surface

Likely duration 2 Days

Rivers for Pembrokeshire and Carmarthenshire only.

RISK AREA C

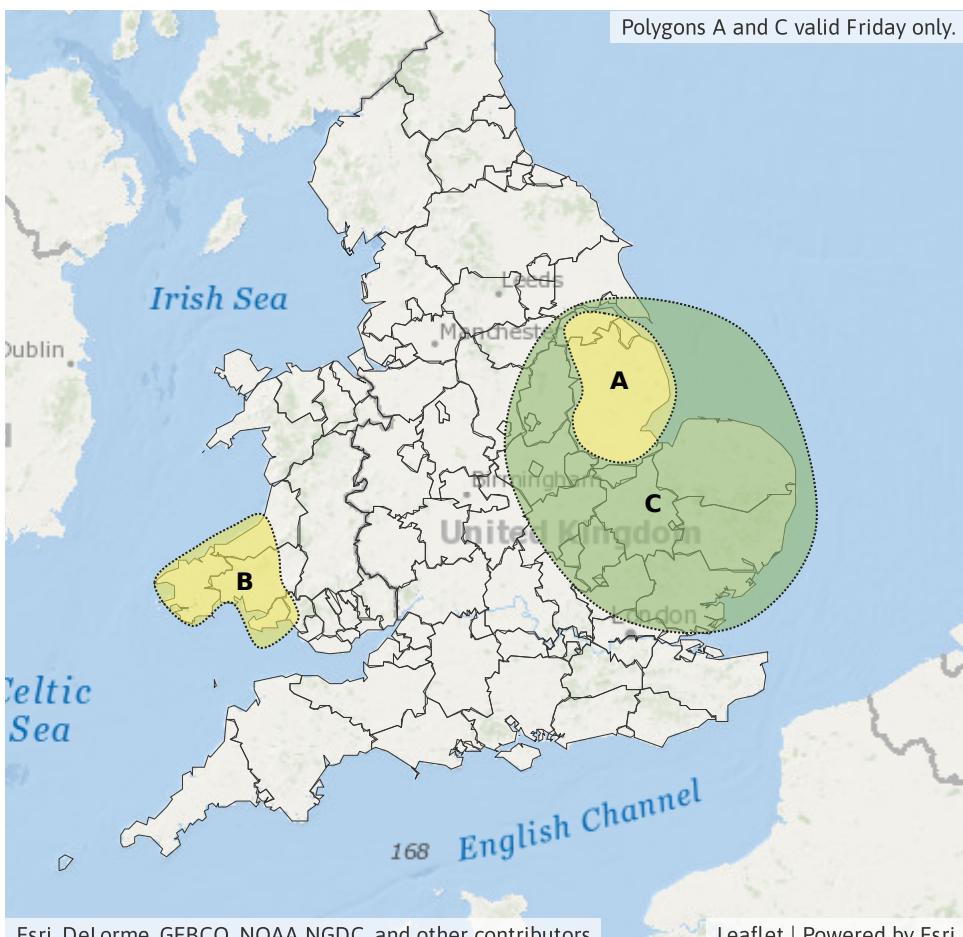
Impact **MINOR**
Likelihood **LOW**



Source River Surface

Likely duration 1 Day

Heavy rain and snow associated with Storm Goretti.



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Specific Areas of Concern Map 2 - Thursday 8 to Friday 9 January 2026

RISK AREA D

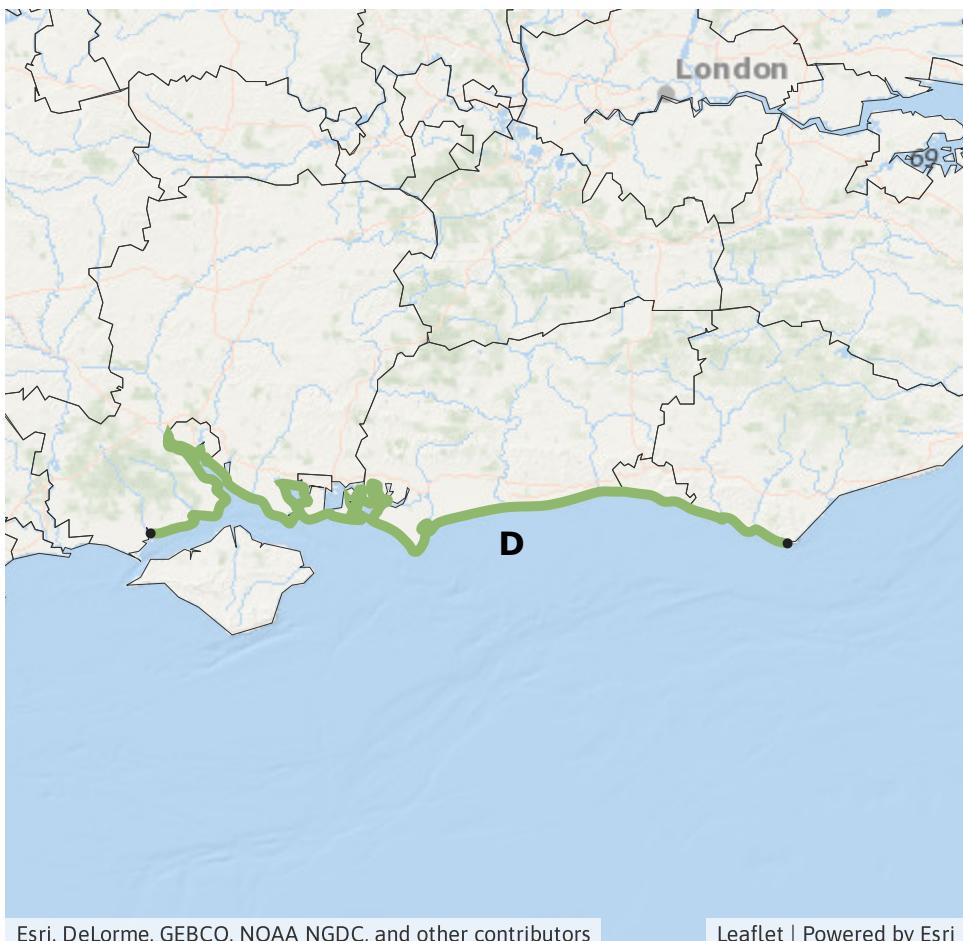
Impact **MINOR**

Likelihood **LOW**



Source Coastal/Tidal
Likely duration 2 Days

Strong winds bringing surge and large waves.



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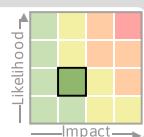
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Specific Areas of Concern Map 3 - Saturday 10 January 2026

RISK AREA A

Impact **MINOR**

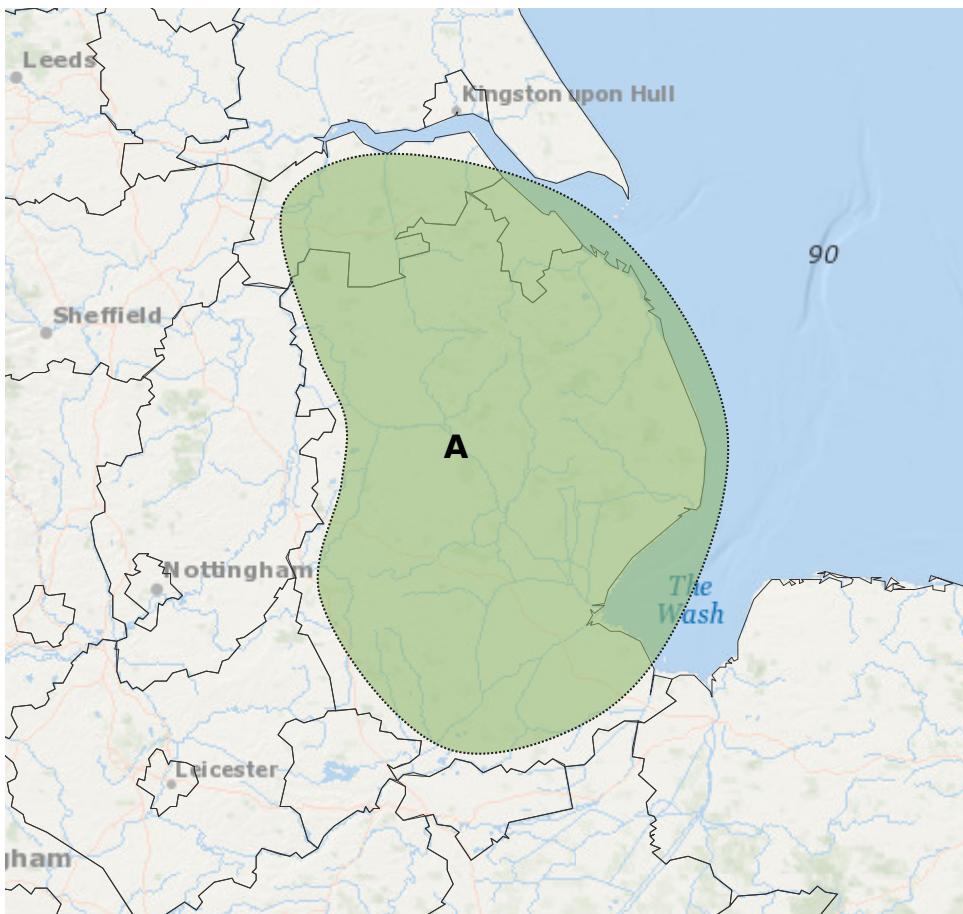
Likelihood **LOW**



Source River

Likely duration 2 Days

Residual river flooding risk from Friday's rain.



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Assessment of flood risk



Surface water

The surface water flood risk is **LOW** for Thursday and Friday.

Minor surface water flooding impacts are probable in parts of Wales from today (Thursday) into Friday, and possible across parts of eastern England on Friday. Minor inland flooding is possible but not expected more widely across England and Wales today and tomorrow.

See specific Areas of Concern Maps for details. Impacts could include localised flooding from urban and fast responding smaller watercourses/catchments, drains, channels and flooding from overland flow.



Rivers

The river flood risk is **LOW** on Friday.

Significant river flooding impacts are possible but not expected in parts of East Midlands and Lincolnshire on Friday due to heavy rainfall and snow from Storm Goretti. See specific Areas of Concern Map for details.

Elsewhere, minor river flooding impacts are possible in parts of Wales and eastern England, and possible but not expected more widely in parts of England and Wales, on Thursday and Friday. Minor flooding impacts could continue in parts of England into Saturday.



Coastal/Tidal

The coastal/tidal flood risk is **VERY LOW** for the next five days.

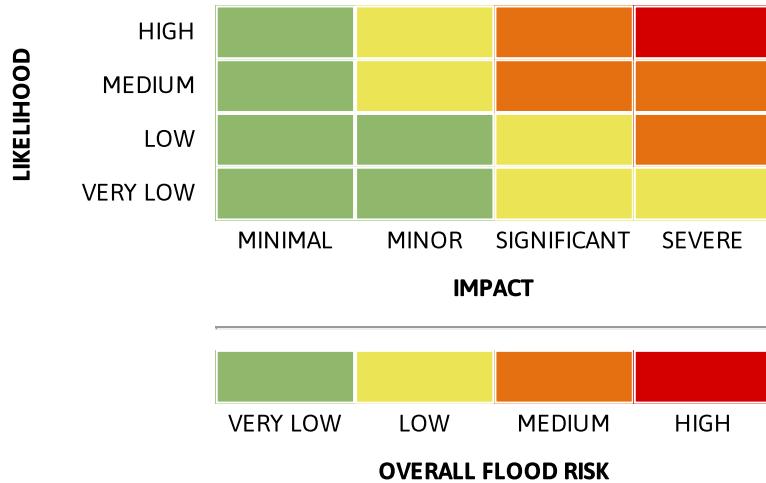
Minor coastal flooding impacts are possible along parts of the south coast of England on Thursday and Friday due to strong winds and large surge.



Groundwater

The groundwater flood risk is **VERY LOW** for the next five days.

Flood risk matrix



Summary of potential impacts

MINIMAL

Isolated and minor flooding of low-lying land and roads
Isolated spray/wave on coastal promenades
Little or no disruption to travel, but wet road surfaces

MINOR

Localised flooding of land and roads
Flooding affecting individual properties
Disruption to travel and key sites in flood plans

SIGNIFICANT

Flooding affecting parts of communities
Possible danger to life and damage to buildings/structures
Disruption to travel and key sites in flood plans

SEVERE

Danger to life, severe disruption to travel
Widespread flooding affecting whole communities
Widespread disruption or loss of infrastructure
Large scale evacuation of properties possible

Next statement due **10:30hrs Friday 09 January 2026 (all times are local)**

Contact details **Flood Forecasting Centre Duty Hydrometeorologist - 0330 135 4400**

More information <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/flood-forecasting-centre>