

# Flood Guidance Statement

10:30hrs Wednesday 26 August 2026



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| Wednesday<br>26 Aug 2026 10:30-23:59<br>Trend since last FGS<br>Steady → | Thursday<br>27 Aug 2026<br>↑ Increased | Friday<br>28 Aug 2026<br>→ Steady | Saturday<br>29 Aug 2026<br>→ Steady | Sunday<br>30 Aug 2026<br>→ Steady |
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Significant surface water flooding impacts are possible but not expected on Wednesday, and possible on Thursday, across parts of England and Wales. The overall flood risk for England and Wales is LOW.

## Specific Areas of Concern Map 1 - Wednesday 26 August 2026

**RISK AREA A**  
Impact **SIGNIFICANT**  
Likelihood **VERY LOW**

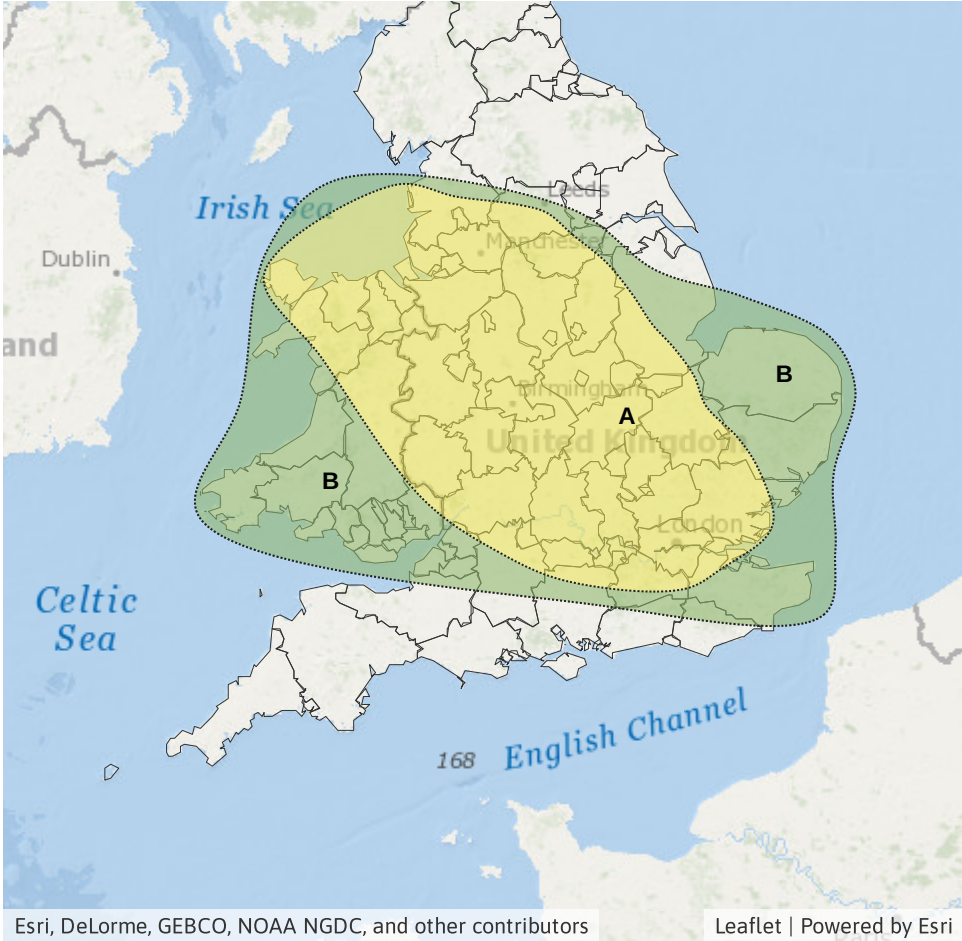
Source Surface  
Likely duration 1 Day

Localised surface water flooding from heavy, thundery showers moving northwards.

**RISK AREA B**  
Impact **MINOR**  
Likelihood **LOW**

Source Surface  
Likely duration 1 Day

Localised surface water flooding from heavy, thundery showers moving northwards.

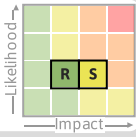


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## Specific Areas of Concern Map 2 - Thursday 27 August 2026

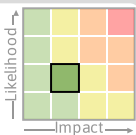
**RISK AREA C**  
Impact **SIGNIFICANT**  
Likelihood **LOW**



Source River Surface  
Likely duration 1 Day

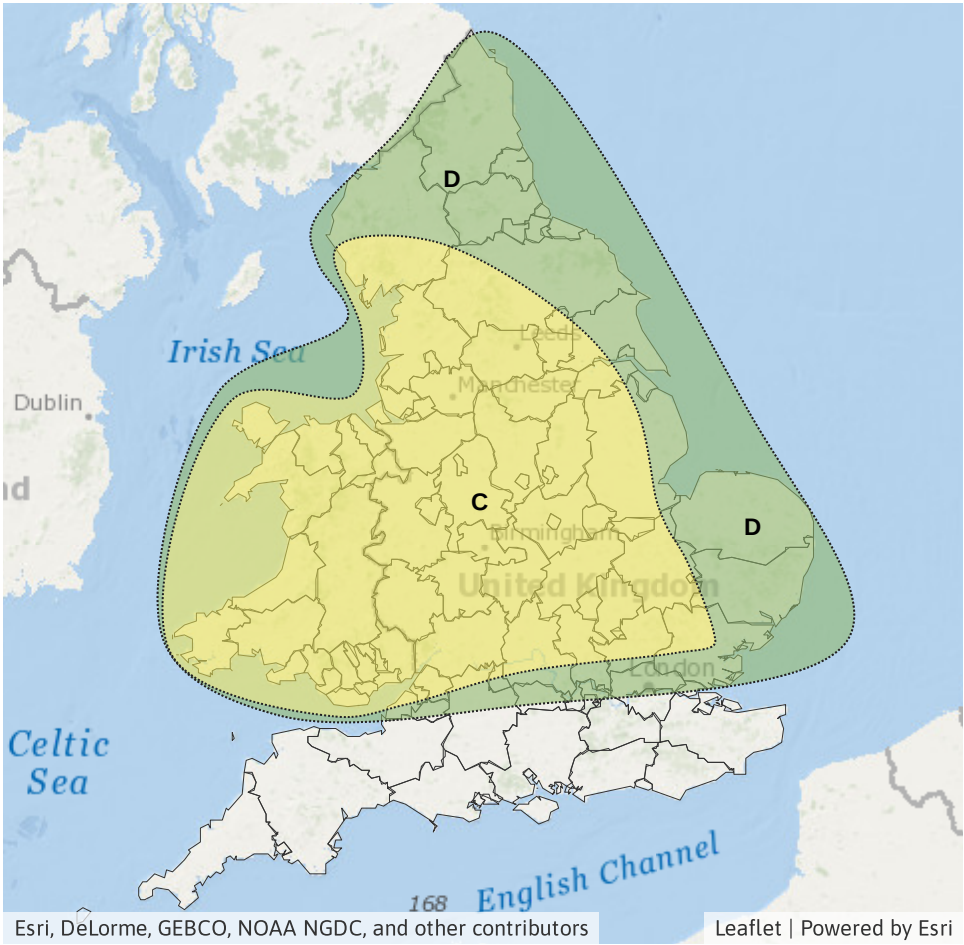
Significant surface water flooding from heavy, thundery and persistent rain.

**RISK AREA D**  
Impact **MINOR**  
Likelihood **LOW**



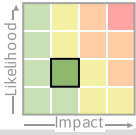
Source River Surface  
Likely duration 2 Days

Surface water and river flooding possible from a band of heavy thundery rain.



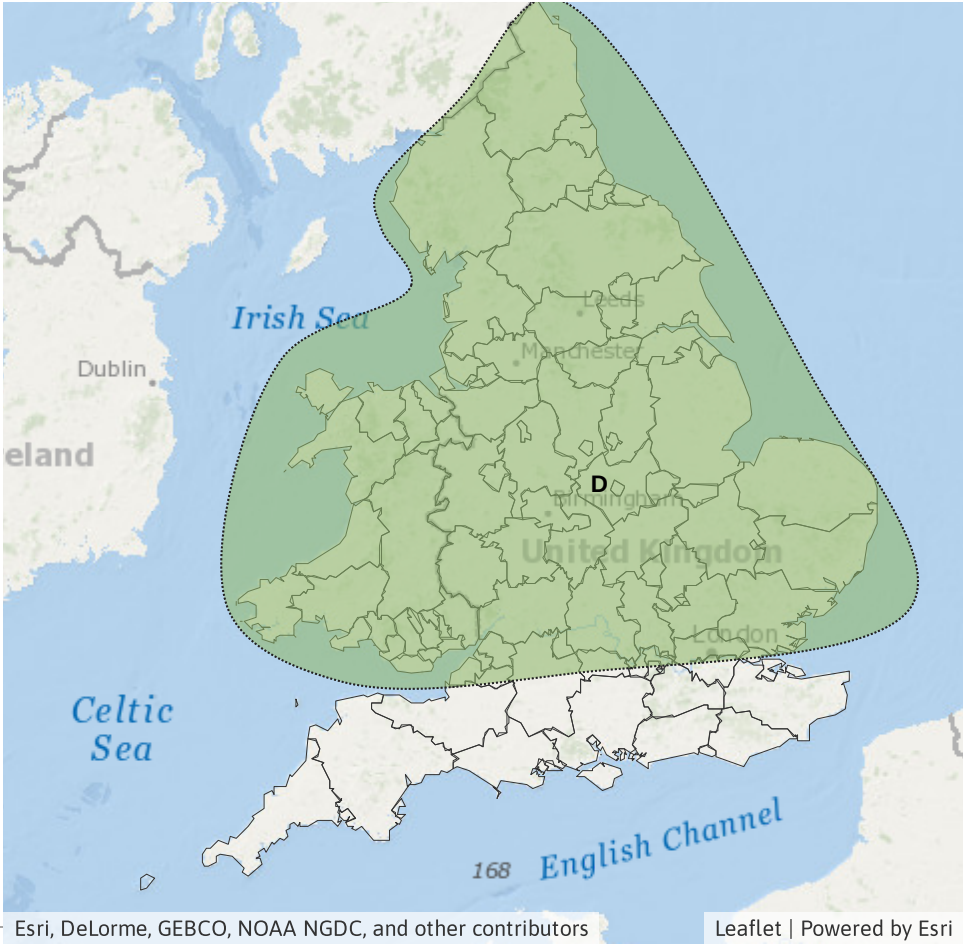
## Specific Areas of Concern Map 3 - Friday 28 August 2026

**RISK AREA D**  
Impact **MINOR**  
Likelihood **LOW**



Source River Surface  
Likely duration 2 Days

Surface water and river flooding possible from a band of heavy thundery rain.



## Assessment of flood risk



### Surface water

The surface water flood risk is LOW on Wednesday and Thursday.

Significant surface water flooding impacts are possible but not expected on Wednesday, and possible on Thursday, across parts of England and Wales, with minor impacts possible more widely on both these days. See Specific Areas of Concern Maps.

Minor surface water flooding impacts are also possible across England and Wales on Friday. See Specific Areas of Concern Maps.

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 VERY LOW for the next five days.

Minor river flooding impacts are possible across parts of England and Wales on Thursday and Friday. See Specific Areas of Concern Maps.



### Coastal/Tidal

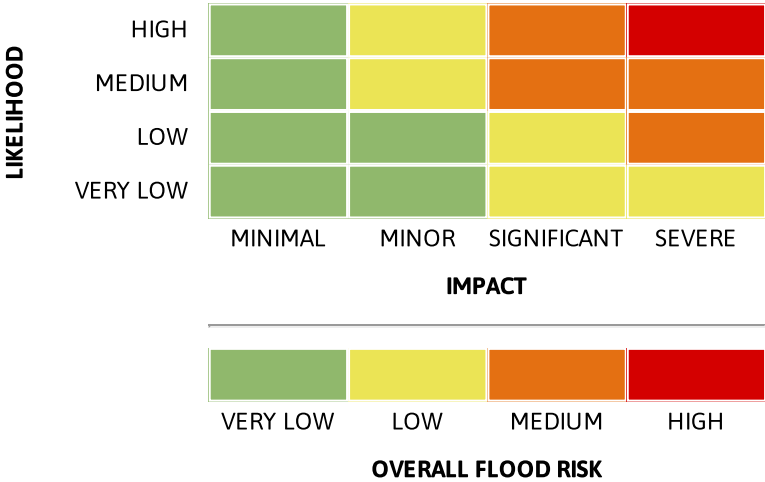
The coastal/tidal flood risk is VERY LOW for the next five days.



### 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

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Next statement due **10:30hrs Thursday 27 August 2026 (all times are local)**

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