

# Southern Uplands

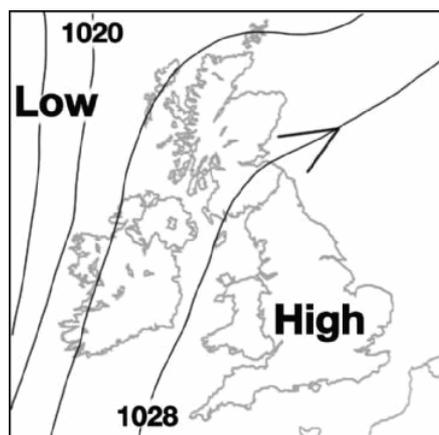
The Galloway hills eastward to the Lammermuir hills. The Cheviots (including higher hills within the adjacent Northumberland NP).



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## General Summary for Friday, 15 January, 2021



### British Mountain Summary:

#### Based on forecast chart for noon 15 January, 2021

A very transient ridge of high pressure will bring a fine day with sunshine on the hills. Fog and murk will persist many lower areas. Much mountain terrain frozen; and in some areas very icy (after the recent mix of snow and rain in sub-freezing temperatures).

### Headline for Southern Uplands

Sunshine Borders. Extensive fog west where wind strengthening afternoon.

## Detailed Forecast for Friday, 15 January, 2021

<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	Little wind morning. Then southerly 15mph, perhaps by dusk 25mph Galloway.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Negligible, but later in day may give marked wind chill western tops.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Little or no precipitation</b> Small risk showers west of M74 afternoon and pockets of fine drizzle where in cloud.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Persistent and very low western hills</b> Borders: Here and there patches of cloud on higher slopes, but overall the hills free of cloud - whilst ribbons of fog persist in some valleys. Toward and west of M74: extensive fog from lower slopes up - although highest tops may be above cloud.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>60%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Dumfries and Galloway: Extensively dull and murky, perhaps sunshine highest tops. Borders: bright sun; the air very clear indeed.
<b>How Cold? (at 750m)</b>	-1C. Note little variation in temperature with height.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Poorly defined: by midday mostly 300, but perhaps 800m Galloway. Much terrain frozen although some daylight thawing mainly sunlit slopes.

## Southern Uplands - Looking Ahead

	<b>Saturday 16 January</b>	<b>Sunday 17 January</b>
<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b> <b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	South veering westerly during morning, typically 35 to perhaps occasionally 45mph. <b>Walking often difficult where exposed and wind chill significant.</b>	Westerly 30mph, perhaps 35mph higher tops later in day. <b>Walking may well be arduous at times on higher areas.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Rain on and off</b> Overnight rain, or on higher top snow, will ease from west. However, there will still be showers, with the risk of the precipitation almost constant for an hour or two. Snow will penetrate as low as 400m by dusk.	<b>Snow showers</b> Occasional snow showers, although mostly rain lowest slopes. Although uncertain, the precipitation may become frequent into the afternoon (this least likely The Cheviots).
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>  <b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>Extensive across the hills</b>  Cloud extensive across the hills, widely covering lower slopes western mountains all day. By late morning, typically cloud base 400 to 550m but 500 to locally 700m The Cheviots.  <b>20%</b>	<b>Extensive across higher areas</b>  Cloud base will vary, most often 650 to 850m generally highest Borders. Near precipitation will deteriorate with areas of cloud above 450m = perhaps widely so later in the day.  <b>30%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Glimpses of sun developing mainly Borders. Frequently hazy, and visibility poor in precipitation.	Occasional sun, mainly Borders in morning Visibility frequently very good or excellent, but abruptly very poor in snow.
<b>How Cold? (at 750m)</b>  <b>Freezing Level</b>	1C; may drop to -1C from west in afternoon.  850m; later 650m.	0C  800m

**Planning Outlook****All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 16 January, 2021**

Precipitation will fall at some stage most days over the next week or more; mostly falling as snow. In Scotland, the Munros will remain almost persistently sub-freezing, whilst further south, temperatures on higher summits will fluctuate either side of freezing point.

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