

**The 146<sup>th</sup> Open Championship**  
**Weather Forecast for Royal Birkdale**  
Issued at 5:30 AM , 21 July 2017



**HAZARDS: Strong SE winds – 20mph with gusts around 35mph expected. Outbreaks of heavy rain after 1600 also bringing a very low (<10%) risk of lightning.**

**HEADLINE: Cloudy and windy with spells of heavy rain later.**

PERIOD	WEATHER	WIND
<b>0600 to 1200 Friday</b>	Cloudy and increasingly windy. Outbreaks of rain but tending to become drier through the morning. (0-2mm).	SE 10-15mph increasing to 20mph with gusts of 30-35mph.
<b>1200 to 1800 Friday</b>	Windy and mostly cloudy with any brighter spells at first. Increasing chance (30% becoming 80% after 1600) of outbreaks of heavy rain bringing 1-5mm.	SE 20mph gusting 30-35mph, and up to 40mph possible at first.
<b>1800 to 2400 Friday</b>	Cloudy with outbreaks of heavy rain. Showery at first but is likely to turn increasingly persistent during the evening. 10-15mm of rain most likely (30% risk of 20-25mm).	Gradually moderating to SE 10-15mph
<b>0000 to 0600 Saturday</b>	Rain clearing during the early hours with clear spells developing.	SE 5-10mph

**MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE 19 CELSIUS**

**MINIMUM TEMPERATURE 12 CELSIUS**

**OUTLOOK FOR THE REST OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP**

**Saturday:** Sunny spells but with a chance of showers, especially through the afternoon and could be heavy at times. Winds much lighter than Friday, generally SE 5-10mph but could become more variable through the afternoon. Max temp 20C.

**Sunday:** Another day of sunny spells and a chance of showers, some of these could again be heavy. Cloud amounts increasing later in the day. NW 10-15mph most likely and could freshen later. Max temp 19C.

**This forecast may be amended at any time**

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