

Beaufort Scale Guide

A wide variety of the Outdoor products have been tested to ascertain suitability during various weather conditions in the UK. The products themselves have been measured against variant wind speeds and categorised according to the Beaufort Scale - the imperial measure that relates wind speed to observed conditions on land and at sea.

Within most individual product descriptions you should find a Beaufort Scale reference. The measurements listed mean that you may use the product during wind speeds up to the maximum mph/knots specified.

Below you will find the Beaufort Scale table, displaying wind measurements and descriptions. It is advisable that you check the weather forecast regularly to determine if your product is suitable for outdoor use.

Please note that the measurements are 'mean speeds', meaning that they have been recorded as average figures over a 10-minute period and do not take into account sudden gusts of wind. Also, the measurements are taken 10m above ground, not at surface level. The following table should be used as a guide only and ultimately it is your responsibility to look after your display equipment.

Beaufort	Knots	MPH	Surroundings
0 Calm	Less than 1		Calm, smoke rises vertically
1 Light Air	1-3	1.2-3.0	Smoke drift indicates wind direction, still wind vanes
2 Light Breeze	4-6	3.7-7.5	Wind felt on face, leaves rustle, vanes begin to move
3 Gentle Breeze	7-10	8.0-12.5	Leaves and small twigs constantly moving, light flags extended
4 Moderate Breeze	11-16	13.0-18.6	Dust, leaves, and loose paper lifted, small tree branches move
5 Fresh Breeze	17-21	19.3-25.0	Small trees in leaf begin to sway
6 Strong Breeze	22-27	25.5-31.0	Larger tree branches moving, whistling in wires
7 Near Gale	28-33	32.0-38.0	Whole trees moving, resistance felt walking against wind