**Booking** 

The services of a pilot can be obtained at any time with two hours' notice for ships calling at a

Maltese port or one hours' notice for departure.

Bookings for arrival are made through the designated VTS.

Bookings for departure are normally made through a local Agent.

In bad weather, boarding may be restricted to the port entrance. Pilotage is available on a 24-hour

basis.

Pilot boarding grounds

**Valletta** 

Two (2) nautical miles off the harbour entrance in an ENE direction.

Marsaxlokk Pilot station 2A (Alpha) - ships with length of 300m and more

Three (3) nautical miles off the port entrance in an ESE direction.

Marsaxlokk Pilot station 2B (Bravo) - ships with length less than 300m

Two (2) nautical miles off the port entrance in and ESE direction.

Disembarkation is at the Pilot Boarding Grounds or as requested by the pilot on duty. Disembarkation inside port is authorised by VTS on the designated channel on completion of a

checklist.

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