



PORTS AND YACHTING DIRECTORATE



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## LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS N° 049 of 2025

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### **Operation of Commercial Passenger Transport Service to Blue Lagoon, Comino**

Reference is being made to Port Notice 03 of 2025 dated 25<sup>th</sup> April 2025

The Ports and Yachting Directorate, Transport Malta, is bringing the following to the attention of mariners and owners of vessels which have been authorised for the Operation of Commercial Passenger Transport Service to Blue Lagoon, Comino in Port Notice 03 of 2025, which can be found on Transport Malta website.

The Masters of the authorised vessels are to ensure that prior to approaching the Blue Lagoon area, for the purpose of disembarking their passengers ashore, are to first request clearance from the Maritime Enforcement Unit, who will consequently manage traffic accordingly and coordinate the berthing of vessels.

Vessels which have on board passengers who will be disembarking, holding the required QR code, are to ensure that passengers are ONLY allowed to disembark basis the slot that has been booked through the AMS. Passengers will only be allowed to disembark not earlier than 30 minutes before the time slot that has been booked through the AMS, as such Masters of vessel are to take note, in the interest of ensuring a coordinated approach.

Passengers that have not purchased a QR code from the Access Management System (AMS) for the particular time slot or purchased one for a different time slot will not be allowed to go ashore.

Mariners, Operators and Owners of vessels are reminded to ensure compliance with all Enforcement Authorities, including the Maritime Enforcement Unit who will be managing and coordinating vessel traffic in the area.

All mariners are advised to keep a sharp lookout, navigate with caution and at slow speed (No Wake) when entering and navigating within the Blue Lagoon. They are to comply with instructions and directions issued on VHF channel 12 and/or 16 by Valletta VTS and by any Enforcement Officers on site.