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31 March Regatta in Grand Harbour - Valletta

The Ports and Yachting Directorate, Transport Malta notifies that the 31 March Regatta will be held in Grand Harbour. Sinkers and marker buoys will be laid as follows:

1. On Thursday 29th March 2017, 3 sinkers with yellow flashing marker buoys will be laid in the following positions.

POSITION	LATITUDE (N)	LONGITUDE (E)
(A)	35°53'.573	014°30'.952
(B)	35°53'.490	014°30'.824
(C)	35°53'.443	014°30'.750

A sinker only will be placed in mid channel between Laboratory Wharf and Deep Water Quay in the following position:

POSITION	LATITUDE (N)	LONGITUDE (E)
(D)	35°53'.173	014°30'.356

2. On Friday the 31st March 2017 as from 0800 hours, wire ropes with floats will be laid in the following positions:

- (i) from buoy (A) off St Angelo Point to buoy (B) near Senglea Point.
- (ii). from buoy (B) near Senglea Point to point (C) Senglea Point opposite the entrance to French Creek;
- (iii). from buoy (A) to a point ashore beneath Lascaris Bastion (E).

POSITION	LATITUDE (N)	LONGITUDE (E)
(E)	35°53'.740	014°30'.850

- (iv). from approximately the South West corner at Ras Hanzir II - bollard 12 (F) to bollard 22 at Deep Water Quay (G), as shown on attached chart
- (v). a buoy will also be placed at (D) above to support the starting line.

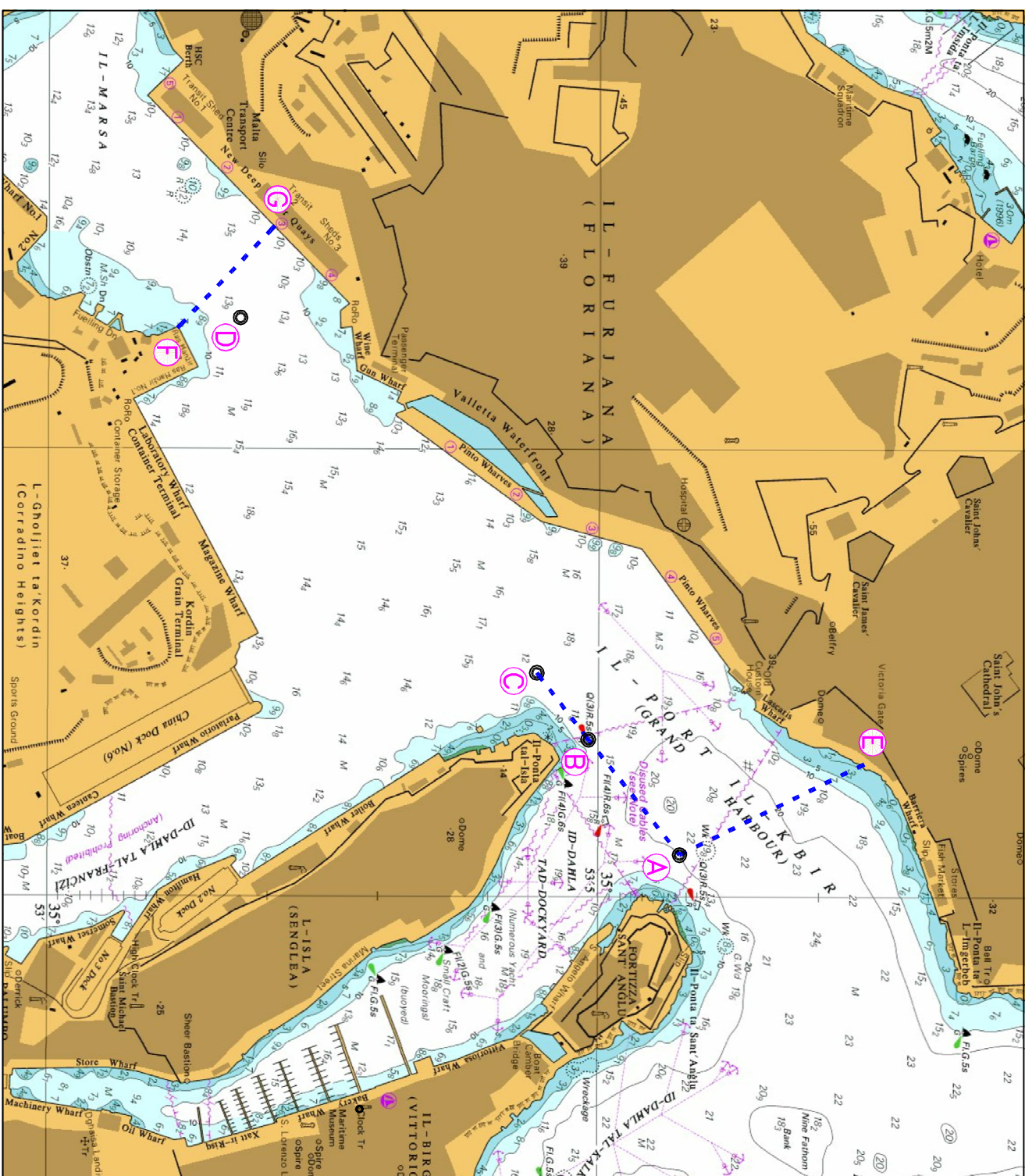


3. The wire ropes, floats and buoys mentioned in 2 above will be removed on the completion of the Regatta at approximately 1830 hours on Friday 31st March 2017.
4. The sinkers and marker buoys mentioned in 1 above will then be removed on Saturday 1st April 2017.

Masters of all vessels are notified that on Friday the 31st March 2017 between 0900 hours and about 1930 hours, incoming vessels will not be allowed to proceed to any berth South West of a line joining Lascaris and Fort St Angelo Flagstaff. Small vessels in "The Marsa" sea area will not be allowed to proceed beyond the starting line indicated in **2(iv)** above after 0900 hours. No vessel will be allowed near the finishing line except those involved in the races. No movements of vessels will be allowed inside Grand Harbour, except by special permission. All vessels are to keep a minimum distance of 5 m away from the lines and floats mentioned in **2(i)**, **2(ii)**, **2(iii)** and **2(iv)**.

Masters of all vessels are also warned that the wire ropes and floats may cause a physical obstruction and consequently they are to navigate with extreme caution. Caution is also to be exercised when in the vicinity of such wire ropes and floats when these are being laid or removed. Mariners are instructed to comply with any instructions issued by *Transport Malta*, the Police and Armed Forces of Malta patrolling the area and by Valletta VTS (Valletta Port Control).

Chart Affected: BA 177



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