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Core drilling at Ghadira Bay in Mellieha

The Ports and Yachting Directorate, Transport Malta notifies mariners that with immediate effect core drilling will be carried out at Ghadira Bay in Mellieha at points A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J and K as indicated on attached chart. Weather permitting works are to be completed by end of September 2018.

| Position | Latitude (N) | Longitude (E) |
|----------|--------------|---------------|
| A | 35° 58'.407 | 014° 21'.049 |
| B | 35° 58'.370 | 014° 21'.075 |
| C | 35° 58'.367 | 014° 21'.046 |
| D | 35° 58'.325 | 014° 21'.094 |
| E | 35° 58'.303 | 014° 21'.070 |
| F | 35° 58'.268 | 014° 21'.107 |
| G | 35° 58'.215 | 014° 21'.126 |
| H | 35° 58'.158 | 014° 21'.172 |
| I | 35° 58'.112 | 014° 21'.223 |
| J | 35° 58'.051 | 014° 21'.261 |
| K | 35° 58'.041 | 014° 21'.284 |
| L | 35° 58'.027 | 014° 21'.324 |

The works will be carried out using the barge "B 45" which will display lights and shapes as per COLREGS". The barge will deploy anchors at approximately 100m away.

Due to the above mentioned works, the swimmer zone will be shifted according to the exigencies of the working barge, which will depend upon the weather conditions. Refer to Local Notice to Mariners No 043 of 2018 – item 12 – Mellieha Bay. The lifeguards and beach crew will be co-ordinating bathing activities within the swimming zone.



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Masters and operators of vessels are advised to keep a sharp lookout, navigate with caution and slow speed and give the above positions a wide berth of 100m. They are to comply with instructions given by Valletta Port Control (Valletta VTS) on VHF Channel 12.

Chart affected: **BA 211A, 2537, 2538**

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