

PORTS AND YACHTING DIRECTORATE

LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS No 138 of 2020

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Coring at II-Port ta' Marsamxett, near Valletta - Sliema ferry landing place

The Ports and Yachting Directorate, Transport Malta notifies mariners that coring will be carried out in II-Port ta' Marsamxett, near Valletta - Sliema ferry landing place.

The coring will be carried out form the barge BEZZ V which will be assisted by two (2) tugboats and will display lights and shapes as per COLREGS.

The coring is scheduled to start on Monday 7th December 2020 and be completed by Saturday 19th December 2020, weather permitting. This work will be coordinated with the Valletta - Sliema ferry operator as this service cannot be interrupted.

Several cores will be carried out within the area joining the points A, B, C, D and the intermediate coastline as shown on attached chart.

Position	Latitude (N)	Longitude (E)
А	35° 54'.069	014° 30'.639
В	35° 54'.103	014° 30'.602
С	35° 54'.074	014° 30'.521
D	35° 54'.031	014° 30'.523

Owners of vessels that are moored or have a mooring within the above-mentioned area, are to remove such moorings and associated ground tackle with immediate effect and not later than Sunday 6th December 2020.

Any vessels and moorings that are left in this area will be removed at the expense of the owner. No liability whatsoever will be accepted by the Authority for any damage that may be caused while removing the said vessels and moorings.

Due to the above-mentioned works, navigation within the said area is restricted and entry is only allowed in agreement with the contractor on site.



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Masters and operators of vessels are advised to keep a sharp lookout, navigate with caution and slow speed when in the vicinity, they are to give the area a wide berth due to ropes and sinkers which will be holding the barge in position.

They are to comply with instructions given by Valletta Port Control (Valletta VTS) on VHF Channel 12.

Chart affected: **BA 177, 2537, 2538**

