



PORTS AND YACHTING DIRECTORATE

NOTICE TO MARINERS N° 26 of 2026

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Live firing practice exercise at Sea – Gunex 01/2026

The Ports and Yachting Directorate, Transport Malta notifies that the Armed Forces of Malta shall conduct a live firing practice exercise at sea from either Pembroke Ranges (LM-D01) or south of Malta (LM-D05) between Monday 27th April 2026 and Thursday 30th April 2026.

At (LM-D01) – Pembroke High

Monday 27th April 2026, between 0800 hours and 1600 hours local time, (0600 hours and 1400 hours UTC).

Tuesday 28th April 2026, between 0800 hours and 1600 hours local time, (0600 hours and 1400 hours UTC).

Wednesday 29th April 2026, between 0800 hours and 1100 hours local time, (0600 hours and 0900 hours UTC).

Thursday 30th April 2026, between 0900 hours and 1300 hours local time, (0700 hours and 1100 hours UTC).

At (LM-D05) – South of Malta - Melita

Wednesday 29th April 2026, between 1200 hours and 2000 hours local time, (1000 hours and 1800 hours UTC).

If the live firing practice exercise cannot be held on any of the above-mentioned dates, it will be held on Monday 4th May 2026, between 0800 hours and 1800 hours local time, (0600 hours and 1600 hours UTC) at either (LM-D01) – Pembroke High or (LM-D05) South of Malta, depending on weather conditions.



At Pembroke ranges LM-D01 (PEMBROKE HIGH)

From Position A:	LATITUDE (N)	LONGITUDE (E)
	35° 55'.900	014° 28'.533

thence on a bearing of 335 True x 8.5 nautical miles to:

Position B:	LATITUDE (N)	LONGITUDE (E)
	36° 03'.620	014° 24'.100

thence on an arc of a circle radius 8.5 nautical miles centred on position A to:

Position C:	LATITUDE (N)	LONGITUDE (E)
	36° 00'.150	014° 37'.600

thence on a bearing of 240 True to position A.

All vessels in the vicinity must proceed with caution and keep at least eight and a half nautical miles (8.5NM) off the Pembroke Coast, on the dates and times indicated.

Mariners are also informed that a corridor of four nautical miles (4NM) between the coast and the line M to N (as shown on the attached chart A) has been established for the passage of all vessels on the above-mentioned dates and times. Any vessel intending to transit through this corridor within these times is to communicate on VHF channel 69 Malta VTS, for final approval prior to entering the area.

	LATITUDE (N)	LONGITUDE (E)
M	36° 02'.869	014° 24'.532
N	35° 58'.387	014° 33'.834

At south of Malta LM-D5 (MELITA)

The exercise will be held within a circular area of 8 Nautical Mile Radius, centred on point Z:

Position Z:	LATITUDE (N)	LONGITUDE (E)
	35° 30'.500	014° 11'.000

as shown on the attached chart B.

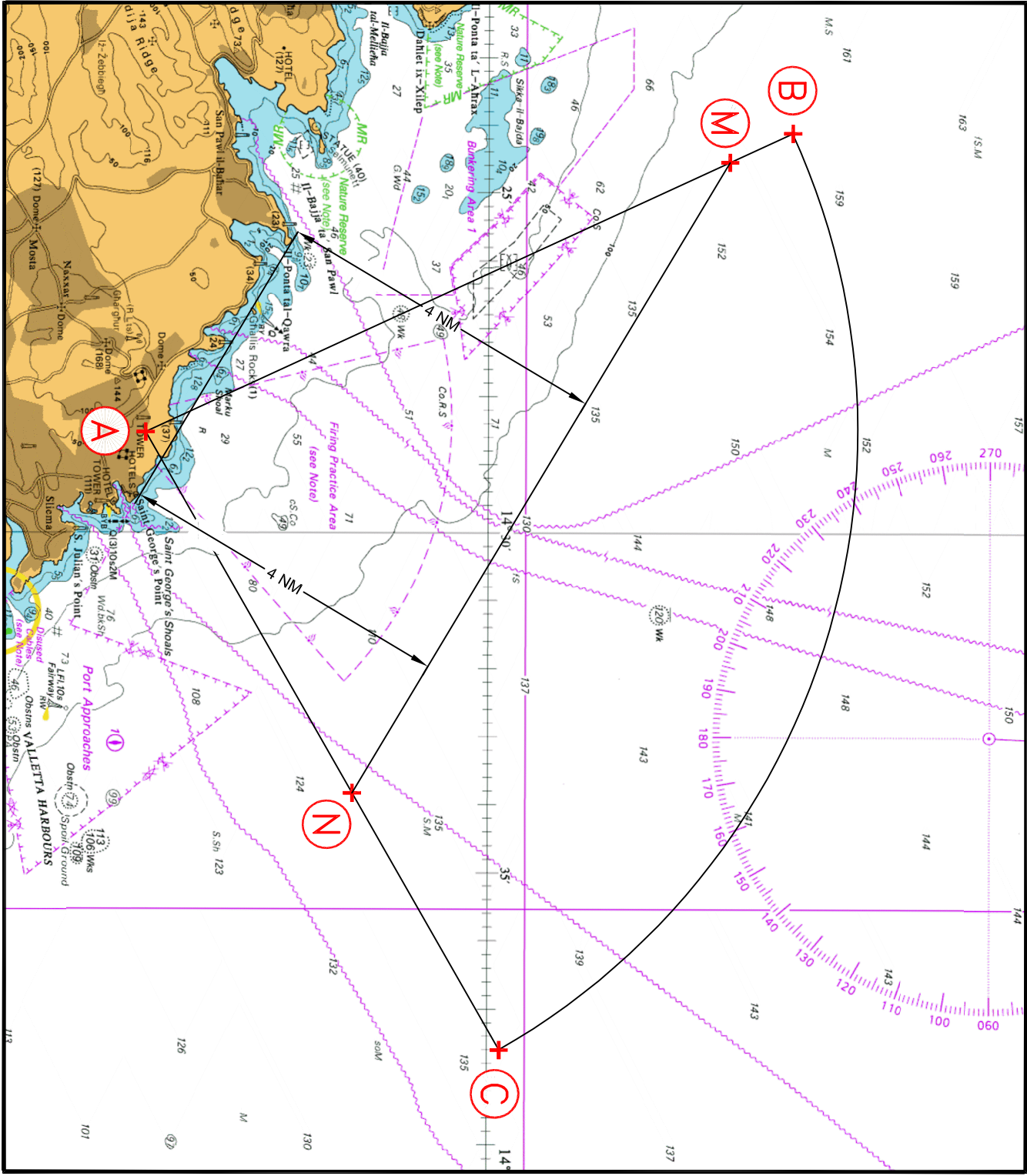


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In view of the above all vessels in the vicinity must proceed with caution, they are advised to give the exercise areas a wide berth and comply at all times with any instructions given by AFM craft patrolling the area and by Valletta VTS on VHF channel 12.

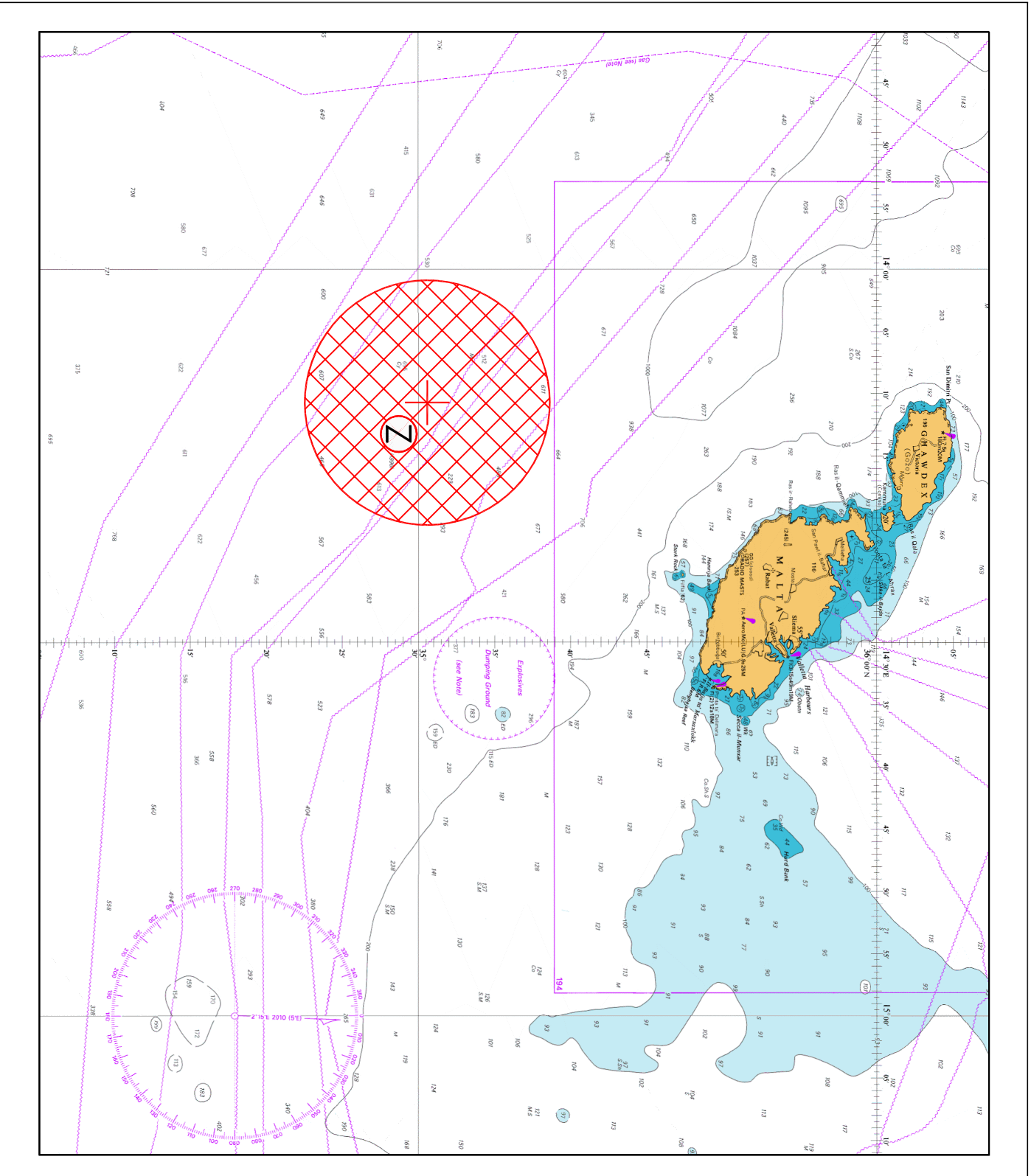
Chart affected: **BA 194, 2124, 2537 and 2538**

Positions referred to **WGS 84 DATUM**



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Chart A



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Chart B