



PORTS AND YACHTING DIRECTORATE

NOTICE TO MARINERS No 31 of 2022

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Marine Scientific Research by ROV at the approach of the Grand Harbour, Valletta

The Ports and Yachting Directorate, Transport Malta, notifies mariners that Marine Scientific Research at the approach of the Grand Harbour, Valletta will be carried out with the use of a Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV). This research will be carried out from the vessel "*Mare Rosa*".

The Marine Scientific Research is planned to will be carried out over three non-consecutive days between Wednesday 3rd August 2022 and Wednesday 31st August 2022.

The research will be held within the area A, B, C, and D, as shown on the attached chart:

	Latitude (N)	Longitude (E)
A	35° 56'.752	14° 33'.004
B	35° 55'.050	14° 35'.040
C	35° 53'.970	14° 34'.122
D	35° 55'.602	14° 32'.088

Since an ROV will be operated from the vessel "*Mare Rosa*", she will be restricted in her ability to manoeuvre and will be displaying the appropriate signals in compliance with the International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at sea.

Mariners are instructed to navigate with caution when the above-mentioned vessel is sighted, and they are to maintain a safe distance of 300m from the vessel.

All mariners are to comply with any instructions given on VHF Channel 12 and/or 16, by Valletta VTS and by any Enforcement Personnel on site.

Charts Affected: **BA 2537, 2538**

