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31st March Regatta in the Grand Harbour - Valletta

The Ports and Yachting Directorate, Transport Malta, notifies that the 31st March Regatta will be held in the Grand Harbour within the below area and as marked on the attached chart:

1. On Tuesday 31st March 2026 as from 0830 hours, wire rope with floats will be laid in the following positions:

(i) a wire rope with floats will be laid from point (A) ashore on Barriera Wharf to buoy (B) off Il-Ponta ta' Sant' Anglu.

(ii) a wire rope with floats will be laid from buoy (B) off Il-Ponta ta' Sant' Anglu to point (C) north of Il-Ponta tal-Isla.

(iii) a wire rope with floats will be laid from buoy (C) north of Il-Ponta tal-Isla to point (D) west of Il-Ponta tal-Isla opposite the entrance to Il-Daħla tal-Francizi, Bastion.

(iv) access beyond Ponta tal-Isla point (C) is restricted to participating craft only.

(v) a wire rope with floats will be laid from bollard 8 at Ras Hanzir 2 point (E) to bollard 26 at Deep Water Quay point (F), as shown on attached chart.

2. The wire ropes, floats and buoys mentioned in 2 above will be removed on the completion of the Regatta at approximately 1800 hours on Tuesday 31st March 2026.

3. The sinkers and marker buoys mentioned in 1 above will also be removed on the completion of the Regatta at approximately 1800 hours on Tuesday 31st March 2026.

Masters of all vessels are notified that on Tuesday 31st March 2026 between 0830 hours and about 1800 hours, incoming vessels will not be allowed to proceed to any berth south-west of the line joining point (A) on Barriera Wharf and Fortizza Sant' Anglu Flagstaff. Vessels in "Il-Marsa" sea area will not be allowed to proceed beyond the line (E) to (F) indicated in 2(v) above after 0800 hours. No vessel will be allowed near the finishing line except those involved in the races. No movements of vessels will be allowed inside the



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Grand Harbour, except by special permission. All vessels are to keep a minimum distance of 5m away from the lines and floats mentioned in 2(ii), 2(iii), 2(iv) and 2(v).

Incoming vessels will not be allowed to proceed to any berth south-west of the line which is 150m north-east of the line (A) to (B) mention in 2(i) above. No vessel will be allowed to stay within this 150m area.

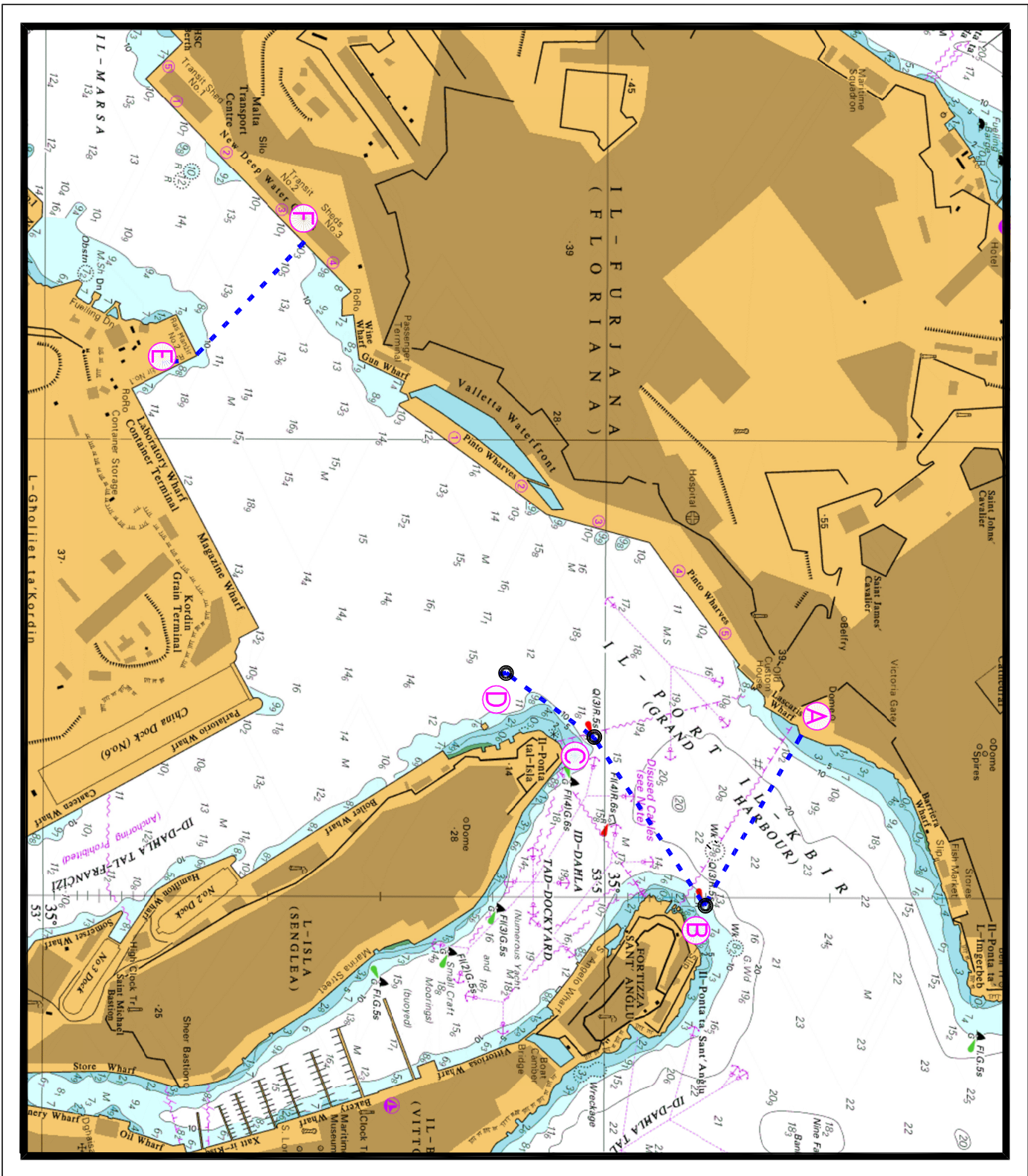
The area bounded by the lines between the points A to B, B to C, C to D, E to F, and the intermediate coastline is to be kept clear on Tuesday 31st March 2026 between 0830 hours and 1800 hours from all vessels except those authorised by the activity organisers.

If due to adverse weather conditions, the event cannot be held as planned, it will be held in the same location on Sunday 12th April 2026, between 0830 hours and 1430 hours.

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 to comply with any instructions issued by Valletta Port Control (Valletta VTS) on VHF Channel 12 and enforcement personnel in the area.

Chart Affected: **BA 177**



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