



PORTS AND YACHTING DIRECTORATE

LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS N° 095 of 2026

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Macrolitter Surveys within Maltese Territorial Waters

The Ports and Yachting Directorate of Transport Malta would like to inform mariners and owners of vessels that a Macrolitter Survey will be conducted within the Maltese Territorial Waters.

The survey is scheduled to commence in June 2026 and is expected to be completed by June 2027, covering the following transect lines:

	LATITUDE (N)	LONGITUDE (E)
WT1	36°02'.796	14°11'.172
	36°02'.905	14°11'.209
WT2	35°58'.566	14°24'.931
	35°58'.163	14°25'.376
WT3	35°54'.633	14°19'.583
	35°55'.175	14°19'.595
WT4	35°48'.212	14°31'.018
	35°48'.237	14°31'.682

The Macrolitter survey will involve scuba divers operating under the guidance of a designated supervisor stationed on the survey vessel *ZAR mini RIB11DL*, which will display the International Code of Signals flag 'A' prominently.

It is crucial for the safety of all involved that all vessels must maintain a minimum distance of 100 meters from the divers whenever they are in sight.

During survey operations, the vessel *ZAR mini RIB11DL* will be restricted in its ability to manoeuvre.



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Masters and operators of vessels are advised to keep a sharp lookout, navigate with caution and at safe speed (no wake) when navigating in the above indicated area. They are to comply with instructions given on VHF Channel 12 and/or 16 by Valletta VTS, or by any enforcement agency on site.

Charts Affected: **BA 194, 2537, 2538**