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Firework Displays in Grand Harbour – Senglea Feast – 2026

The Ports and Yachting Directorate, Transport Malta, notifies mariners that firework displays will be let off from 2 barges, moored at least 200m off Il-Ponta ta' Bighi, centered on positions P and Y, as shown on the attached chart.

POSITION	LATITUDE (N)	LONGITUDE (E)
P	35° 53'.651	014° 31'.199
Y	35° 53'.629	014° 31'.255

The firework displays will be let off on the following dates and times:

Friday 4 th September 2026	between 0800 hours and 0820 hours, between 1200 hours and 1220 hours and between 2030 hours and 2050 hours.
Saturday 5 th September 2026	between 0800 hours and 0820 hours, between 1200 hours and 1220 hours and between 2030 hours and 2050 hours.
Sunday 6 th September 2026	between 0800 hours and 0820 hours, between 1200 hours and 1220 hours and between 2200 hours and 2230 hours.
Monday 7 th September 2026	between 0800 hours and 0820 hours, between 1200 hours and 1220 hours, between 1800 hours and 1900 hours and between 2130 hours and 2330 hours.
Tuesday 8 th September 2026	between 0800 hours and 0820 hours, between 1200 hours and 1220 hours and between 1900 hours and 2130 hours.



On Wednesday 2nd September 2026, barges will be shifted from their respective shipyard to positions P and Y from where the fireworks will be let off. The barges will be left in position during the night and therefore they will have lights on them.

The fireworks will be loaded onto a barge at Rinella bay and shifted to be loaded on the 2 barges on Friday 4th, Saturday 5th, Sunday 6th, Monday 7th and Tuesday 8th September 2026, the shifting of the fireworks will take place at about 0600 hours or 0630 hours.

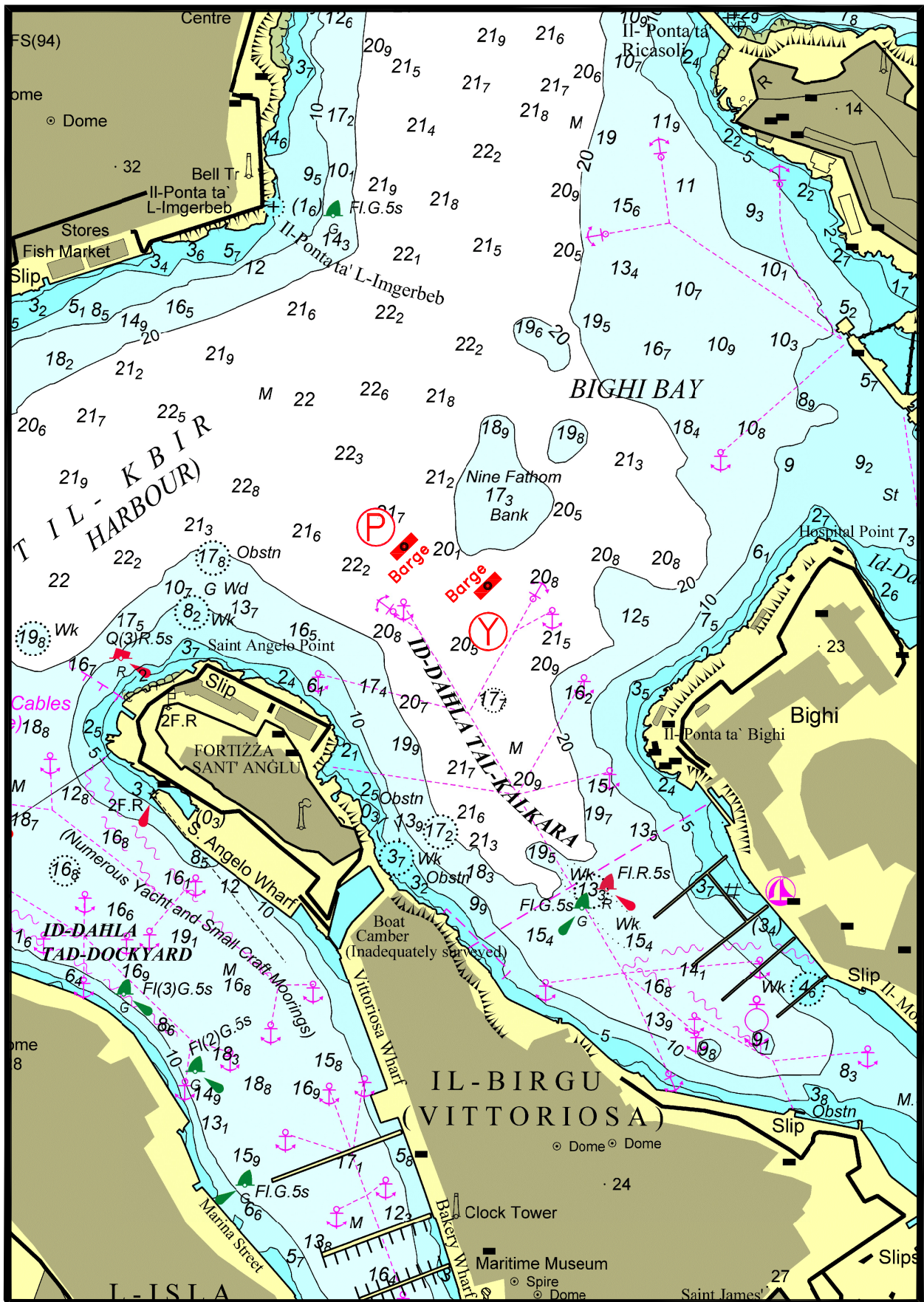
The barges will then be removed from the moored position on Wednesday 9th September 2026.

A wide berth of 200 meters is requested from the barges on these days as the barges will be loaded with fireworks.

Transport Malta will accept no liability whatsoever for any damage caused by the firework displays to any vessel and her ancillary equipment, whether such vessel and her ancillary equipment are left within the 200m safety zone, or outside such safety zone, from the point from which the fireworks are let off.

Mariners are to navigate with caution and at slow speed when in the vicinity. They are to cooperate with the organisers. Instructions and directions given on VHF channel 12 and/or 16 by Valletta VTS and any enforcement personnel are to be complied with.

Chart affected BA Chart 177.



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