

PORTS AND YACHTING DIRECTORATE

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#### Firework Displays in Grand Harbour – Senglea Feast – 2023

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

POSITION	LATITUDE (N)	LONGITUDE (E)
P	35°53'.669	014°31'.200
Y	35°53'.629	014°31'.255

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

Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	between 0800 hours and 0820 hours, between 1200 hours and 1220 hours and between 2045 hours and 2130 hours.
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	between 0815 hours and 0830 hours, between 1200 hours and 1220 hours and between 2030 hours and 2100 hours.
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	between 0800 hours and 0820 hours, between 1200 hours and 1220 hours and between 2145 hours and 2245 hours.
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	between 0845 hours and 0930 hours, between 1200 hours and 1220 hours, between 1800 hours and 1815 hours, between 1845 hours and 1900 hours and between 2130 hours and 2300 hours.



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Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2023

between 0800 hours and 0820 hours, between 1045 hours and 1115 hours, between 1200 hours and 1230 hours, between 1930 hours and 2100 hours and between 2130 hours and 2200 hours.

Between Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2023 and Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023, the barges will be shifted from their respective shipyards to Boiler Wharf. The barges will then be shifted from Boiler Wharf and moored in position on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023. They will be left in position during the night and will be lit.

The barges will be removed from the moored position on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

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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