



PORTS AND YACHTING DIRECTORATE

LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS N° 174 of 2026

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Swimming events from Il-Ponta ta' L-Aħrax, Malta to Ġebel tal-Ħalfa, Gozo - Swimtrek

The Ports and Yachting Directorate, Transport Malta notifies mariners that a series of swimming events starting from Il-Ponta ta' L-Aħrax, Malta and finishing in Ġebel tal-Ħalfa, Gozo will be held on each of the following days:

Thursday 24th September 2026,
Wednesday 30th September 2026,
Wednesday 7th October 2026,
Wednesday 14th October 2026.

Sunday 27th September 2026,
Saturday 3rd October 2026,
Sunday 11th October 2026 and

The participants will depart from Il-Ponta ta' L-Aħrax, Malta, point A, at approximately 0830 hours and finish at Ġebel tal-Ħalfa, Gozo, point D, at approximately 1330 hours. They will be following the route along the points A, B, C, and D as shown on the attached chart.

The participants will be accompanied by a RHIB and the support vessels *"The Neptune"*.

Il-Fliegu ta' Kemmuna will be restricted to navigation from 0830 hours to 1100 hours and Il-Fliegu ta' Ghawdex will be restricted to navigation from 1130 hours to 1330 hours.

If on any of the days mentioned above, the events cannot be held, they will try again on the day after the postponed event, except for if the event on Saturday 3rd October 2026 is cancelled it will be held on Monday 5th October 2026, they will follow the same route and at the same time.

Mariners are advised to keep a sharp lookout, to proceed at slow speed and to keep well clear of the area during the stipulated dates and time, giving the swimmers, support vessel and RHIB a wide berth. They are to observe closely, any instructions issued on VHF channel 12 and/or 16 by Valletta VTS and by any maritime enforcement assets in the area.

Charts affected: **BA 211A, 2537 and 2538.**

