



PORTS AND YACHTING DIRECTORATE

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### **Swimming event from Ir-Ramla ta' Wied Musa - Malta to Il-Bajja ta' Hondoq ir-Rummien - Gozo**

The Ports and Yachting Directorate, Transport Malta, notifies mariners that a swimming event starting from Malta and finishing in Gozo will be held on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2026.

The participants will depart from Ir-Ramla ta' Wied Musa (Malta), point A, at approximately 0700 hours and are expected to arrive at Santa Marija Battery (Comino), point B at approximately 0830 hours. They will then walk to Il-Bajja ta' Santa Marija (Comino), point C and proceed with the swim departing at 0930 hours, they will swim towards to point D and continue swimming towards Il-Bajja ta' Hondoq ir-Rummien (Gozo), point E arriving at approximately at 1100 hours, they will follow the route along the points A, B, C, D, and E as shown on the attached chart.

| Position | Latitude (N) | Longitude (E) |
|----------|--------------|---------------|
| A        | 35° 59'.196  | 014° 20'.355  |
| B        | 36° 00'.394  | 014° 20'.748  |
| C        | 36° 01'.009  | 014° 20'.214  |
| D        | 36° 01'.207  | 014° 20'.156  |
| E        | 36° 01'.680  | 014° 19'.390  |

There will be at most 10 swimmers, and they will be wearing a high visibility cap and towing a buoy.

A support vessel will be monitoring the swimmers throughout the swim.

Il-Fliegu ta' Kemmuna will be restricted to navigation from 0700 hours to 0900 hours and Il-Fliegu ta' Ghawdex will be restricted to navigation from 0900 hours to 1115 hours.

If for some reason the swim cannot be held as planned it will be held on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2026 at the same place and 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 date and time, giving the swimmers and support vessel 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.**

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