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Off-loading of Trench-Pipelaying Barge from a Heavy-Lift Vessel

The Ports and Yachting Directorate, Transport Malta, informs mariners and the general public about an offloading operation involving a trench-pipelaying barge from a heavy-lift vessel.

This offloading operation is expected to take place from Monday 13th October 2025 to Friday 17th October 2025.

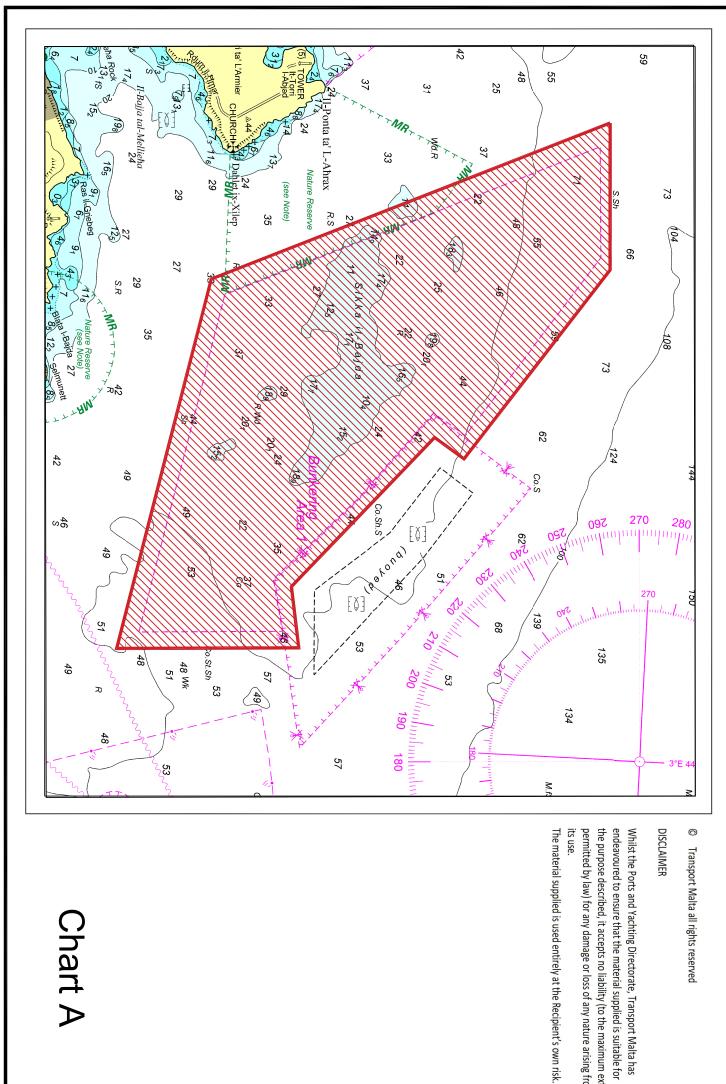
The operation will be conducted within Bunkering Area 1, as shown in Chart A. However, if weather conditions are unfavourable, an alternative site has been identified near II-Bajja ta' Fomm ir-Riħ, as shown in Chart B.

Due to the nature of the operation, all vessels are requested to maintain a safe distance of at least 200 meters from the heavy-lift vessel 'Red Zed 1' when it is in sight.

Masters and operators of vessels are advised to keep a vigilant lookout, proceed with caution, and navigate at slow speed (no wake) when approaching the designated area. Cooperation with the on-site contractor is essential.

All vessels must also comply with any instructions provided on VHF channels 12 or 16 by Valletta VTS and Enforcement Personnel on site.

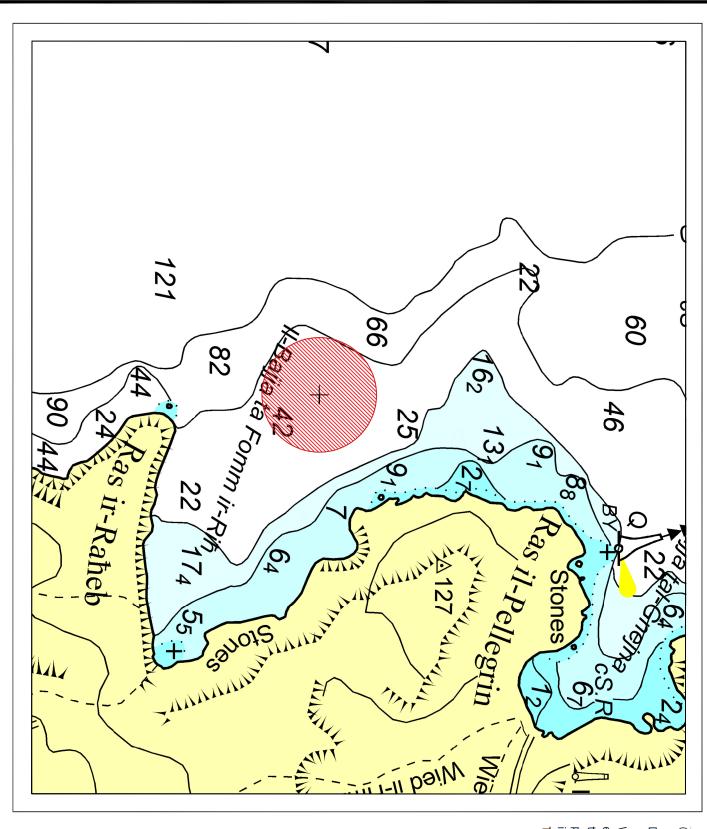
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Chart A



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Chart B