



PORTS AND YACHTING DIRECTORATE

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Hydrographic Multibeam Surveys within the Malta-Gozo Channel

The Ports and Yachting Directorate, Transport Malta, notifies mariners that hydrographic multibeam surveys will be carried out within the Malta-Gozo Channel.

The surveys will be conducted between Monday 19th October 2026 and Monday 2nd November 2026 within the area bounded by points A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I and J, including the intervening coastlines, as shown on the attached chart.

The surveys will be carried out by *M.V. Wanderer*.

Mariners are requested to maintain a minimum distance of 200 metres from the survey vessel at all times. During survey operations, *M.V. Wanderer* will display the International Code Flag "D" (Keep clear of me; I am manoeuvring with difficulty).

Survey operations are subject to favourable weather conditions and may be postponed or suspended as necessary.

Masters and operators of vessels are advised to maintain a sharp lookout, navigate with caution, and proceed at a safe speed (no wake) when transiting the area.

All vessels shall give the survey vessel a wide berth and cooperate with the survey team to ensure the safe conduct of the operations.

Mariners are to comply with any instructions issued by Valletta VTS on VHF Channel 12 and/or Channel 16, as well as by any enforcement personnel present on site.

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