

PORTS AND YACHTING DIRECTORATE

LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS No 214 of 2022

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Drilling of boreholes near Għallis Rock



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The Ports and Yachting Directorate, Transport Malta, notifies mariners that drilling of boreholes will be carried off Ras il-Għallis

The drilling works will be carried out at points BH1, BH2 and BH3, as shown on the attached chart.

	LATITUDE (N)	LONGITUDE (E)
BH1	35° 57'.203	014° 26'.377
BH2	35° 57'.257	014° 26'.381
BH3	35° 57'.305	014° 26'.413

The works, which will require one day for each borehole to be completed, will be carried out, on any days, between Monday 12th December 2022 and Sunday 15th January 2023, depending on the prevailing weather conditions.

The works will be carried out from a barge which will be deploying anchors to hold it in position and will be exhibiting the appropriate lights and shapes in accordance with the requirements of the International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea (COLREGS) 1972.

Masters and operators of vessels are advised to keep a sharp look-out, navigate with caution and at very slow speed (No Wake). They are to keep at least 150m away from each position while the works are being carried out.

All masters and operators of vessels navigating off Ras il-Għallis are requested to reduce speed due to the damage any waves generated may cause.

They are also to comply with any instructions given on VHF channel **12** and/or **16** by Valletta VTS and to co-operate with the contractor and/or enforcement officers in the area.

Charts affected: BA 2537, 2538

Positions referred to WGS 84 DATUM.



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