



Merchant Shipping Directorate



Transport Malta

UNAUTHORISED TRANSMISSION OF MALTESE MMSI NUMBERS

Merchant Shipping Notice 208

*Notice to Ship-owners, Ship Operators, Managers, Masters,
Owners' Representatives and Recognized Organizations*

The Merchant Shipping Directorate notes the continued transmission of several Maltese Maritime Mobile Service Identity (MMSI) numbers by vessels that are not authorised to use them.

The transmission of unauthorised MMSI numbers may result in a vessel being incorrectly identified by shore-based authorities, including Maritime Rescue Coordination Centres (MRCCs), Vessel Traffic Services (VTS), and other maritime communication and monitoring systems. This may create difficulties in establishing a vessel's identity, particularly during safety-related or distress communications.

As of 1 August 2026, the Maltese MMSI numbers listed in the Annex to this Notice have been detected in unauthorised transmission by vessels that are not registered under the Malta flag. These MMSI numbers had either been required to be deactivated following deregistration or had never been assigned by the Malta Ship Registry to the vessels concerned.

MMSI numbers are assigned by the competent administration of a vessel's flag State and are intended to correspond to the vessel's current registration. The continued use of MMSI numbers that have been withdrawn, reassigned, or were never validly assigned may undermine the integrity of maritime identification and communication systems.

This Notice is published in the interests of maintaining the integrity and reliability of maritime identification and communication systems, and the Directorate will continue to monitor instances of unauthorised use of Maltese MMSI numbers.

Merchant Shipping Directorate

02 September 2026

Malta Transport Centre
Hal Lija LJA 2021, Malta

Tel: +356 2125 0360
Email: mershipmalta.tm@transport.gov.mt
www.transport.gov.mt/ship-registration



Merchant Shipping Directorate
ISO 9001:2015 certified



ANNEX

IMO number / Call Sign	MMSI number
8874134	248246000
N/A	248248000
N/A	248256000
9308857	249583000
N/A	248191000
9542087	248201000
N/A	248279000
9533373	248290000
N/A	248301000
4812680	248308000
4805980	248309000
N/A	248318000
N/A	248332000
9HB5637	248336000
9HA4632	248366000
9HA4636	248377000
9HA4637	248380000
9HA4643	248385000
9HA2349	248400000
9HB5633	248404000
9HYN5	248415000
9H9487	248419000
9HB5716	248423000
9H9764	248444000
9HB5762	248445000
9HA2374	248463000
9H9777	248471000
9HB5807	248488000
9H9788	248491000
N/A	215790035
N/A	215790038
N/A	215790002
N/A	215790030
N/A	215790006