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### **Malta International Fireworks Festival 2022 – Re-issue**

The Ports and Yachting Directorate, Transport Malta, notifies mariners that firework displays will be held in different localities and dates as shown below.

On Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> April 2022 in the morning, 2 barges will be shifted to Kalkara quay to be loaded with concrete blocks, sinkers and anchors.

Owners of vessels moored in Rinella Bay are to remove their vessels and the area is to remain clear on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2022 from early morning until 1300. Transport Malta will accept no liabilities whatsoever for any damage caused to vessels that are left within Rinella Bay on the mentioned dates and times.

#### **The Grand Harbour, Valletta on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2022.**

At 1200 hours the positioning of the pontoons and barges will commence. The barges and pontoons will be moored in the following positions, as shown on the attached chart 1.

The pontoons will be moored along the imaginary line 1 to 2 and a barge will be moored at points 3 and another at point 4.

<b>Position</b>	<b>Latitude (N)</b>	<b>Longitude (E)</b>
1	35° 54'.262	014° 31'.211
2	35° 54'.592	014° 31'.377
3	35° 54'.652	014° 31'.239
4	35° 54'.731	014° 31'.310

The display will start at 2115 hours and finish by 2300 hours.



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In view of the above, mariners are informed that part of Grand Harbour, between the imaginary lines A - B, C - D, E – F, G – H, I – J, and the intermediate coastline (as shown on attached chart 4), will be closed to all vessels.

The port closure and prohibited area will be effective on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2022 from 2115 hours to 2300 hours local Time (1915 hours to 2100 hours UTC), except for authorised vessels.

<b>Position</b>	<b>Latitude (N)</b>	<b>Longitude (E)</b>
A	35° 53'.590	014° 30'.699
B	35° 53'.458	014° 30'.831
C	35° 53'.417	014° 30'.937
D	35° 53'.512	014° 31'.031
E	35° 53'.541	014° 31'.155
F	35° 53'.545	014° 31'.359
G	35° 53'.653	014° 31'.479
H	35° 53'.840	014° 31'.112
I	35° 54'.143	014° 31'.221
J	35° 53'.963	014° 31'.376

During the event shipping movements in Grand Harbour will be restricted.

Any vessel arriving and/or departing from Id-Daħla tal-Kalkara outside the display times is to keep close to Bighi foreshore as possible and maintain a safe distance.

All vessels and bathers are warned to keep well clear and maintain a safe distance of not less than 200 metres from any of the pontoons and barges at all times in all the above-mentioned localities during the dates and times mentioned.

After the display, pontoons and barges will be towed back to Kalkara quay and the sinkers and anchors lifted from the bottom.



**Il-Bajja ta' Marsalforn, Ghawdex on Saturday 23rd April 2022.**

The fireworks display will be held at Il-Bajja ta' Marsalforn, Ghawdex as follow:

At 0600 hours the pontoons and barges will be shifted from Kalkara quay to Il-Bajja ta' Marsalforn, Ghawdex.

By 1100 hours the positioning of the pontoons and barges will commence and will be moored in the following positions, as shown on the attached chart 2.

The pontoons will be moored along the imaginary line 5 to 6 and a barge will be laid at point 7 and another at point 8.

Position	Latitude (N)	Longitude (E)
5	36° 04'.566	014° 15'.568
6	36° 04'.473	014° 15'.624
7	36° 04'.545	014° 15'.661
8	36° 04'.626	014° 15'.674

The display will start at 2000 hours and finish by 2300 hours.

After the display the pontoons and barges will be towed back to Kalkara quay, and the sinkers and anchors will be lifted off the bottom.

**Il-Bajja ta' San Tumas on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2022.**

At 0600 hours the pontoons and barges will be shifted from Kalkara quay to Il-Bajja ta' San Tumas, Marsascalea.

By 1100 hours the positioning of the pontoons and barges will commence. The pontoons and barges will be moored in the following positions, as shown on the attached chart 3.

The pontoons will be moored along the imaginary line 9 to 10 and a barge will be moored at points 11 and another at point 12.

Position	Latitude (N)	Longitude (E)
9	35° 51'.295	014° 34'.145
10	35° 51'.229	014° 34'.056
11	35° 51'.139	014° 34'.097
12	35° 51'.164	014° 34'.212



The display will start at 2000 hours and finish by 2300 hours.

After the display the pontoons and barges will be towed back to Kalkara quay, and the sinkers and anchors removed.

**The Grand Harbour, Valletta on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2022.**

At 1500 hours the positioning of the anchors for the pontoons and barge will commence.

At 1600 hours the pontoons and one barge will be shifted from Kalkara quay to their positions. They will be set up in the following positions, as shown on the attached chart 4.

There will be 3 rows of pontoons moored along the imaginary lines 13 to 14, 16 to 17 and 18 to 19 and a barge will be moored at point 15.

Position	Latitude (N)	Longitude (E)
13	35° 53'.746	014° 31'.156
14	35° 53'.565	014° 30'.857
15	35° 53'.677	014° 30'.988
16	35° 53'.775	014° 31'.075
17	35° 53'.635	014° 30'.846
18	35° 53'.751	014° 31'.007
19	35° 53'.682	014° 30'.894

The display will start at 2000 hours and finish by 2215 hours.

After the display the pontoons and the barge will be towed back to Kalkara quay. The sinkers and anchors will be removed, and the area cleared by 2250 hours.

The pontoons and barge will then be left at Kalkara quay up to Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2022.

In view of the above, mariners are informed that part of Grand Harbour, between the imaginary lines A - B, C - D, E - F, G - H, I - J, and the intermediate coastline (as shown on attached chart 4), will be closed to all vessels.

The port closure and prohibited area will be effective on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2022 from 1500 hours to 2250 hours local Time (1100 hours to 2100 hours UTC), except for authorised vessels.



Position	Latitude (N)	Longitude (E)
A	35° 53'.590	014° 30'.699
B	35° 53'.458	014° 30'.831
C	35° 53'.417	014° 30'.937
D	35° 53'.512	014° 31'.031
E	35° 53'.541	014° 31'.155
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During the event shipping movements in Grand Harbour will be restricted. Authorized vessels **MUST** be securely moored by not later than 1930.

All vessels and bathers are warned to keep well clear and maintain a safe distance of not less than 200 metres from any of the pontoons and barges while they are being towed and once, they have been anchored in all the above-mentioned localities during the dates and times mentioned.

Authorized vessels are to give the display pontoons and barges a wide berth of at least 200m. No movements whatsoever will be allowed during the actual displays.

Mariners are to comply with instructions and directions issued by Valletta Port Control (Valletta VTS) on VHF Channel 12 and Maritime Enforcement Officers that will be in the area.

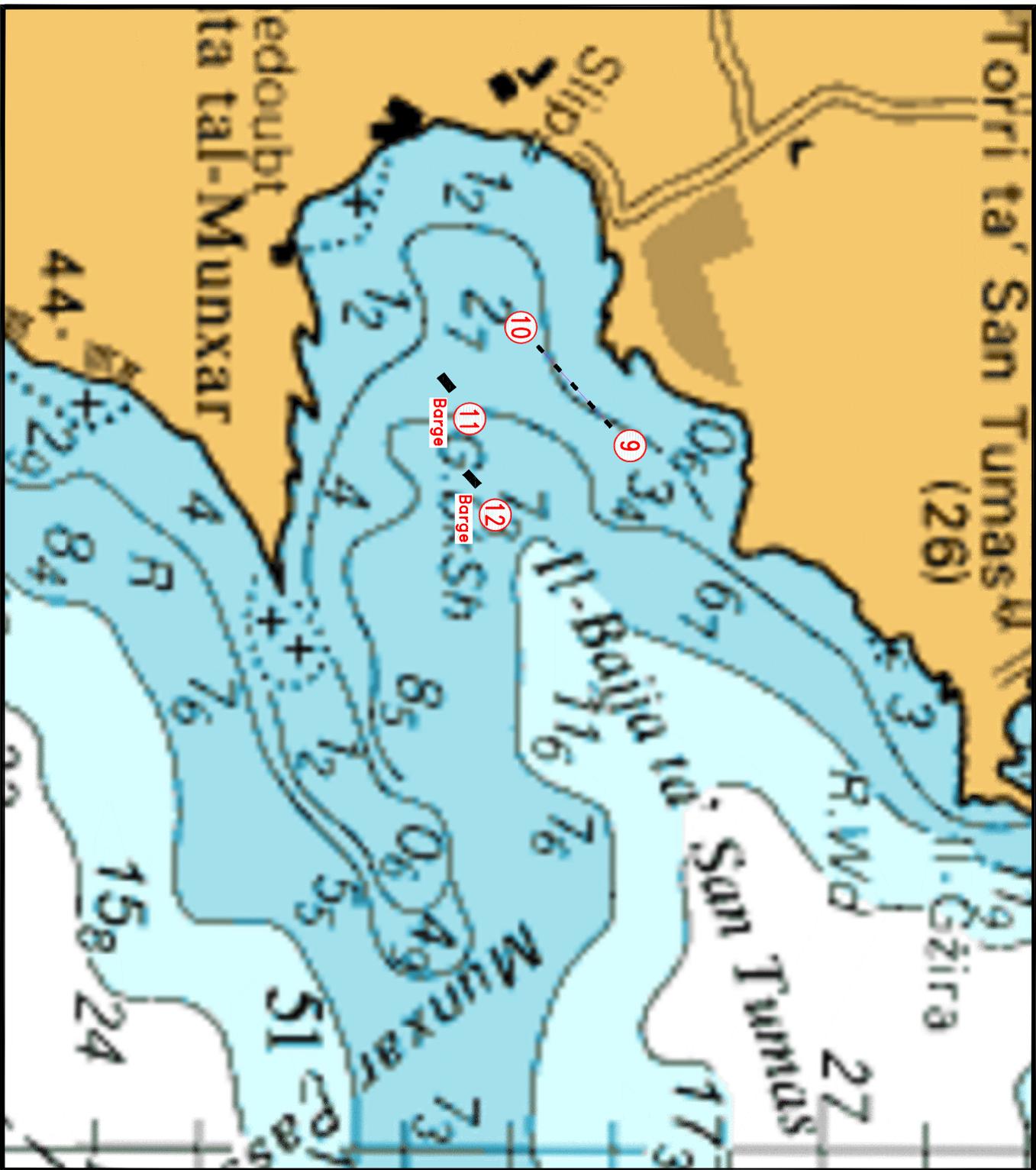
Due to the above Local Notice to Mariners Nos. 037 and 039 are hereby **CANCELLED**.

Positions are in **WGS 84 DATUM**

Chart Affected: **BA 36, 177, 211, 2537, 2538**





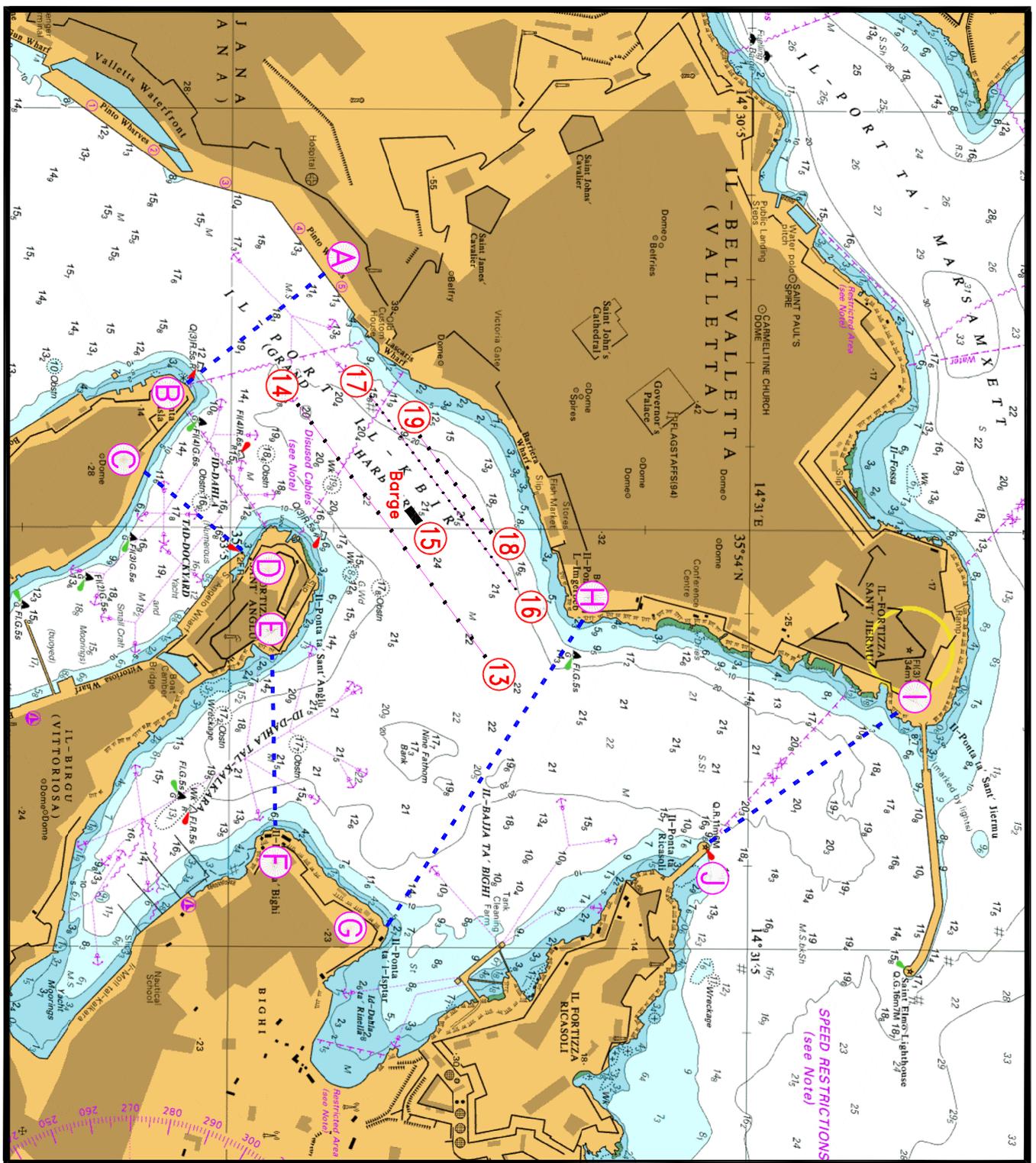


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