



PORTS AND YACHTING DIRECTORATE

## LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS No 086 OF 2021

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### **Microplastics sampling in the Grand Harbour**

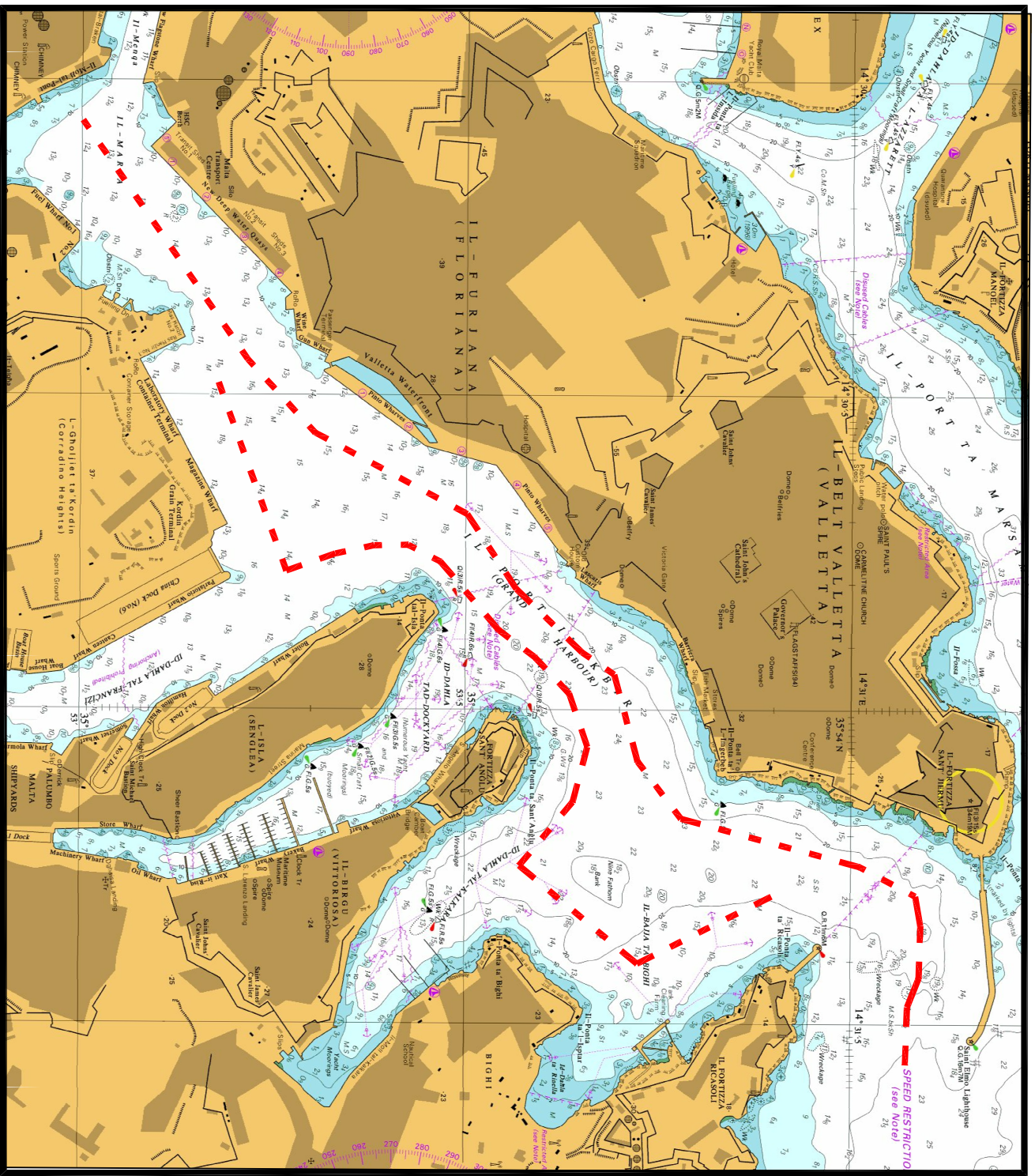
The Ports and Yachting Directorate, Transport Malta notifies mariners that Microplastic sampling will be carried out in the Grand Harbour, Valletta. The sampling is scheduled to be carried out on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2021 between 0800 hours and 1100 hours.

The Microplastic sampling will be carried out along the two lines as indicated in red on attached chart.

The sampling will be carried out from either of the vessels “*BETTY*” or “*BEEZER*”, which will be towing a trawl net (manta net) alongside.

Masters and operators of vessels are advised to keep a sharp lookout, navigate with caution, and slow speed (no wake) and give the vessel a wide berth. They are to comply with any instructions given on VHF Channel 12 and/or 16 by Valletta VTS and by any enforcement personnel on site.

Charts affected: **BA 177**



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