



PORTS AND YACHTING DIRECTORATE

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Pollution Response Exercise within the Grand Harbour

The Ports and Yachting Directorate, Transport Malta, notifies mariners that a Pollution Response Exercise will be carried out within the Grand Harbour.

The exercise is part of the Calypso South Project, in joint partnership with the University of Malta and scheduled to take place on Thursday 2nd September 2021.

The exercise will start at approximately 0700 hours and should be completed by 1300 hours. The exercise will simulate an oil spill and will involve the use of drones, deployment of booms and various vessels.

These will include the Harbour Masters Launch, MV *tmONE* and Transport Malta Maritime Enforcement vessels together with the Civil Protection Department.

Mariners are to take note of this exercise and are to navigate with caution and give a wide berth when in the vicinity of any of the vessels taking part in the exercise are spotted.

They are to comply with instructions issued on VHF channel 12 and/or 16 by Valletta VTS and by any of the TM Enforcement or CPD Personnel on site.

Chart affected: **BA 177**