



PORTS AND YACHTING DIRECTORATE

**Transport Malta**

## **NOTICE TO MARINERS NO 34 of 2017**

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### **Vessels Towing Fish Cages within the Maltese Exclusive Fishing Zone**

The Ports and Yachting Directorate, Transport Malta, notifies mariners navigating in the Sicilian Channel and South of Malta that a considerable number of vessels are towing fish cages within the Maltese Exclusive Fishing Zone (25 nm) with a greater concentration within the Territorial Waters (12 nm) drifting from the North east to the South east of the Maltese coast and vice versa.

The towing vessels are a danger to traffic transiting within 25 nautical miles from the coast of Malta.

Mariners are warned to keep a sharp lookout and to maintain a minimum of 1 nautical mile off each towing vessel when sighted.

Charts Affected: BA 194, 2123, 2124