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## **MALTA MARITIME AUTHORITY**

### **NOTICE TO MARINERS NO 67 OF 2004**

#### **Conservation Area Off il-Merkanti Shoals**

The Malta Environment and Planning Authority in the past weeks has laid several artificial reefs between St George's shoals and St Julians Point.

The intention is to carry out studies so as to determine fish density and species richness over a long period of time.

In view of the above mariners are to note that a conservation area has been established between the following points:

	<b>LATITUDE (N)</b>	<b>LONGITUDE (E)</b>
<b>POINT A</b>	<b>35°56'.090</b>	<b>14°30'.082</b>
<b>POINT B</b>	<b>35°55'.186</b>	<b>14°30'.485</b>
<b>POINT C</b>	<b>35°55'.443</b>	<b>14°30'.054</b>

Spear fishing and the use of fishing gear such as set bottom lines, trammel nets, encircling gill nets and entangling nets, demmersal pots and traps, are prohibited in the area. Only surface fishing is allowed.

Charts Affected                      BA 177, 2537, 2538

Position is referred to WGS 84 DATUM