



# MIDDLE EAST NAVIGATION AIDS SERVICE NOTICE TO MARINERS

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NTM: 18/2018

ISSUED DATE: 5<sup>th</sup> August 2018

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### **SOUTHERN GULF: Southern Gulf: UAE – Dredging Works at Ras Al Khaimah Port**

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Dredging works at Ras Al Khaimah Port will be conducted on 06 AUG 18 for a duration of 6 weeks. It will initially be during daylight hours but this may extend to 24 hour depending on progress.

The scope of dredging operation consists of following:

1. Port entrance between the breakwaters Port 25-48.691 055-47.035, STBD 25-48.997 055-56.969 and RAK Port inner channel
2. Vessel manoeuvring and berthing area.
3. RAK Port outer approach channel

Phase 2 and 3 will require floating pipes and sinker lines to be deployed across the channel by using small pontoons.

Channel transit will be restricted whilst the pipeline is across the creek and smaller vessels with draft less than 2.0m should use the navigational gap of 12m. Marker buoys will be placed to identify the navigable gap of 12m over the sinker pipelines.

Larger vessels need to give notice of one hour to Port Control in order to make necessary arrangement for opening the channel by disconnecting the floating pipelines.

Marine units and floating pipelines deployed for the dredging operation will be secured at the eastern side of creek of by end of every day and will be fixed with adequate lights during darkness.

Mariners are to be aware of dredging operations and pipelines and requested to exercise extreme caution when transiting this area and maintain constant listening watch on VHF channel 16 and 71. All movements should be co-ordinated with Ras Al Khaimah Port Control.

**Issuer: MENAS Maritime Operations Centre, Bahrain**

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**Mariners are requested to inform the Middle East Navigation Aids Service, P. O. Box 66, Manama, Bahrain immediately on the discovery of new dangers, or suspected dangers to navigation and changes or defects in aids to navigation noticed in Sub-Navarea IX - Gulf and its Approaches.**

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