

MINISTRY OF PUBLIC UTILITIES AND AVIATION

MARITIME ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

NOTICE TO MARINERS

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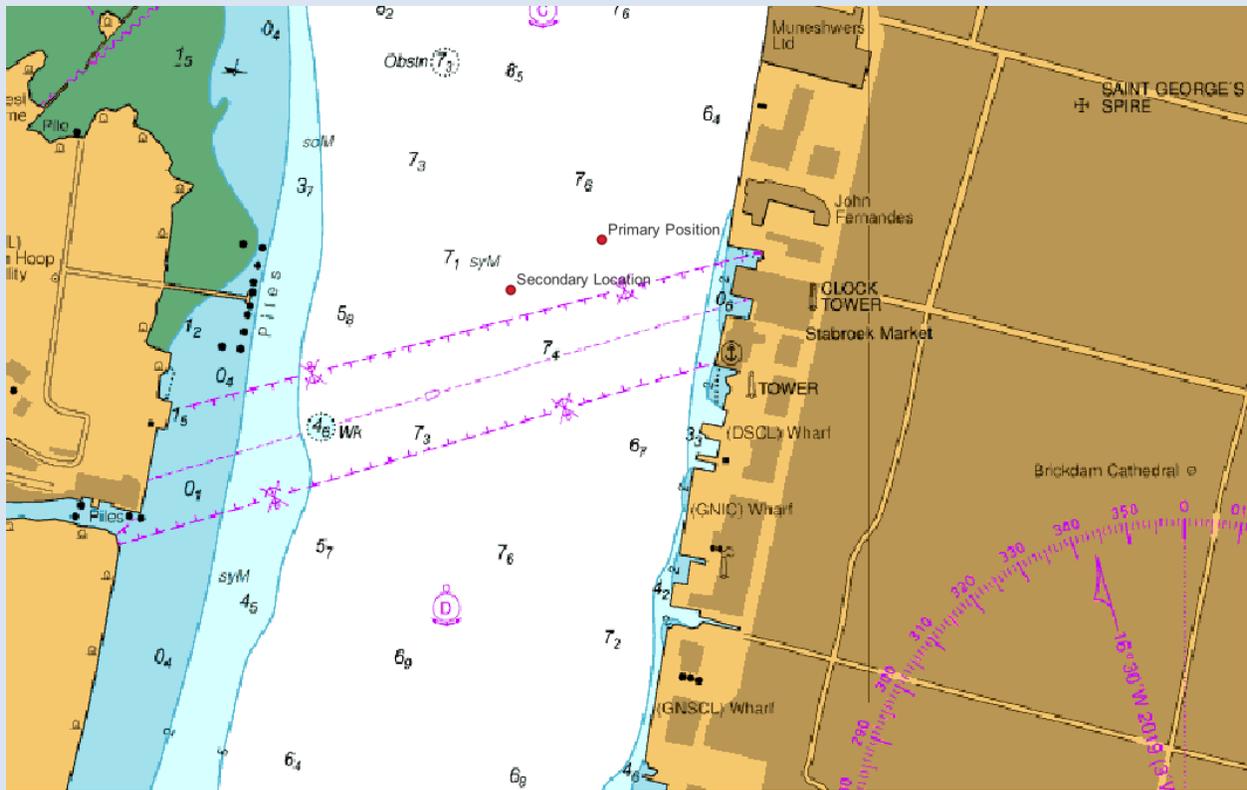
DEMERARA RIVER

The Maritime Administration Department (MARAD) wishes to inform all vessels traversing the Demerara River in the Vicinity of the Georgetown Harbour; that in the celebration of Guyana's 56th Republic Anniversary, the **Guyana Defence Force (GDF)** will be conducting fireworks exercise. This exercise is scheduled for 00:00 hours on February 22, 2026 to 00:10 hours on February 23, 2026.

SPB Malia will be secured and used as the firing platform throughout out the exercise.

The designated location for activities are as follows:

Name	Latitude (N)	Longitude (W)	Remarks
Primary Position	06° 48'.647	058° 10'.230	WGS 84 (Zone 21)
Secondary Position	06° 48'.3098	058° 10'.309	WGS 84 (Zone 21)



Inset of Chart BA 519 showing areas of operation

All mariners are required to stay clear of this vessel, and navigate with extreme caution when in the vicinity;

As a Safety precaution, the area identified in the Georgetown Harbour will be close for navigation during the hours **00:00 hours** February 22, 2026 to **00:10 hours** on February 23, 2026. Additionally, there will be a rehearsal scheduled from **21:00 hours** on February 21, 2026 to **00:00 hours** on February 22, 2026.

Inset position is included for further guidance.

Communication can be made to the Georgetown Lighthouse, on VHF Ch. 16.

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Harbour Master (Ag)
For Director General

February 20, 2026