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**PORT OF MELBOURNE  
PORT PHILLIP BAY  
SEAFLOOR SAMPLING**

**Date:** 28 February 2024

**Refers:** N/A

**Details:** Mariners and port users are advised that seafloor sampling, involving diving operations, will take place from **1 March to 2 March 2024**, in the northern **dredged material ground (DMG) and nearby waters to the north**.

Seafloor sampling will take place **around shipping movements** and will be supported by the vessel ***Draughtsman*** contactable on 0420 981 345 or on VHF Channel 12.

Vessel engaged in diving operations will display International Code flag "Alpha".

**Domestic commercial vessels and recreational vessels in the vicinity of sampling works, must reduce vessel speed so as to create no wash with a minimum passing distance of 50m.**

For further information, please email the Navigation Services department at [NavigationServices@ports.vic.gov.au](mailto:NavigationServices@ports.vic.gov.au) or contact Melbourne VTS on 9644 9700 or VHF Channel 12.

**Mariners are advised to navigate with caution in the vicinity of the sampling works.**

**Charts & Publications affected:** AUS 155  
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**Further notice:** This is a self-cancelling NtM, and no further notice will be issued.



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