

Grenada Sailing Week

Organizing Authority (OA): Grenada Sailing Week Committee

31 January – 5 February 2027

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.

1.2 The Sailing Instructions may also change other RRS.

1.3 No national prescriptions will apply.

1.4 The event will also be governed by:

- a) for monohulls, the CSA Rating Rule
- b) for multihulls, the CSA Multihull Rating Rule.

1.5 For boats wishing to be dual-scored, IRC rules 2026 parts A, B and C shall also apply, with the following changes:

- a) rule 15.2(d) – stored power for steering is permitted
- b) rules 21.1.5(d), 21.1.5(e), 21.1.5(f), 22.3 and 22.4 are deleted.

1.6 For all boats except One-Design Classes, the GSW Minimum Safety Rules apply, see Appendix 1.

2 RACE HEADQUARTERS

2.1 Sunday 31st January to AM Tuesday 2nd February race headquarters will be at Las Iguanas and Slipway, Carriacou.

2.2 PM Tuesday 2nd to AM Wednesday 3rd February race headquarters will be at Le Phare Blue Marina Grenada.

2.1 PM Wednesday 3rd February to Friday 5th February race headquarters will be at Camper & Nicholsons Port Louis Marina.

3 CLASSES

3.1 The number of classes, division of classes, grouping of classes to start together and courses to be sailed by classes will be determined after close of registration by the Organizing Authority (OA). IRC boats will be required to have CSA rating. The decisions of the OA are final.

3.2 The following classes are invited:

- a) CSA/IRC Racing Spinnaker: CSA Certificate /IRC certificate (optional)

- b) Racer/Cruiser: (spinnaker optional) CSA Certificate Boats may elect whether to use spinnakers or not, but must declare this intention on registration. The relevant CSA rating will apply for the entire event. (CSA 2 or CSA 3)
- c) Cruising: (non-spinnaker) CSA Simplified Rating Rule (Intended for boats without a CSA measurement certificate)
- d) Classic (CSA with or without spinnaker) and CSA Simplified Rating Rule. This class will include Carriacou sloops if there are fewer than 4 Carriacou sloop entries.
- e) CSA Multihull
- f) Other: Consideration will be given to other classes, provided there are sufficient entries in that category.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Entries will be accepted only from boats with a minimum length of 26 ft.
- 4.2 Registration: Follow links to <https://grenadasailingweek.com/registration> or email: info@grenadasailingweek.com for more information.
- 4.3 Fees:
 - a) Registration before 30th November 2026 Local time Grenada 23:59. - USD \$150 per boat.
 - b) Registration after 1st December 2026 but before 31st December 2026 Local Time Grenada 23:59. - USD \$175 per boat.
 - c) Registration after 1st January 2027 to 17.00 Local Time Grenada 31st January 2027 – USD \$200 per boat.
- 4.4 Boats taking part in all races must report for final registration on Sunday 31st January 2027, by 17:00.
- 4.5 Boats taking part on race day 1 ONLY must also report for final registration on Sunday 31st January 2027 by 17:00. A separate entry form will be made available. The Fee will be USD \$25.
- 4.6 For registration to be complete and an entry accepted, skippers must present a valid rating or class certificate, and they must sign the Entry Confirmation Form stating their choice of sail configuration.

5 MEASUREMENT AND RATING CERTIFICATES

- 5.1 All entries shall have:
 - a) In the Monohull classes: a valid 2027 digitally certified CSA rating certificate and, optionally, a valid 2027 digitally certified IRC rating certificate.
 - b) In the Multihull classes: a valid 2027 digitally certified CSA Multihull rating certificate.

5.2 There will be a qualified certified CSA measurer on site to measure boats. Appointments must be made to enable your boat to be measured.

5.3 If intending to race in the Classic class, all the necessary details of your boat must be supplied, including any previous racing or rating details. Ratings, valid for this regatta only, will be issued by the measurer guided principally by the CSA Simplified Rating Rule.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions (SI's) will be made available on the Official Notice Board in YachtScoring by 30th January. As a courtesy the SI's will also be posted on the GSW website.

7 COMPETITOR BRIEFING

A competitor briefing will be held at 18:00 on Sunday 25th January, at Las Iguanas, Carriacou Marina, Carriacou.

8 SCHEDULE

Race Day 1 Monday 1st February: Start and finish Tyrell Bay Carriacou.

Race Day 2 Tuesday 2nd February: Start Tyrell Bay Carriacou and finish in the vicinity of LePhare Bleu Marina.

Lay Day Wednesday 3rd February:

Race Day 3 Thursday 4th February: Races see race day map: start Prickly Bay and finish off Grand Anse.

Race Day 4 Friday 5th February: Races see race day map: start and finish off Grand Anse.

9 COMMUNICATIONS

9.1 The Official Notice Board will be online at YachtScoring. As a courtesy notice may also be posted on the GSW website and on a board local to the race office.

9.2 All boats shall carry a VHF radio, operating at all times while racing and available to the skipper, capable of communicating on international channel 11.

9.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF channel 11.

9.4 While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

10 SAFETY

10.1 The GSW Minimum Safety Rules apply – see Appendix 1.

10.2 A boat that retires from a race shall inform the race committee at the first available opportunity on VHF channel 11 or, failing that, by other means.

11 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. Neither the Organizing Authority nor the Grenada Sailing Association will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

12 PRIZES

There will be a daily prize-giving after each day's racing at the venue to be notified in the Sailing Instructions. At the final prize-giving on the last day of racing, there will be prizes for overall first, second and third in each class, depending upon the number in each class.

13 INSURANCE

Each boat shall be insured with valid, adequate third-party liability insurance for the duration of the regatta.

14 RIGHTS TO USE NAMES AND LIKENESS.

By participating in this event, a competitor automatically grants to the OA and the sponsors of the event, the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition in this event, and in all material related to the event without compensation.

Appendix 1

SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

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These requirements are intended as the minimum standards and do not supersede or change any of the Racing Rules of Sailing or other requirements as set forth in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions. It is further recommended that participants utilise either the WS Offshore Special Regulations or the US Safety Equipment Requirements. Required equipment and/or practices include:

1. Softwood plugs or other suitable materials, tapered and in sufficient quantity to fill all thru hull fittings.
2. Securely attached lifelines and bow and stern pulpits of not less than 18" in height. Lifelines should be taut i.e. having no apparent sag between supports and should not be elastic in nature.
3. With regard to hiking and positioning of crew on the rail, attention is drawn to the requirements of RRS 49.2.
4. The following boats are not required to comply with Rule #2,
 - a. boats designed without lifelines but having sufficient bulwarks or other structures to help prevent a man overboard.
 - b. boats applying for and receiving in writing an exemption from the requirements of Rule #2 from the Organizing Authority (OA) prior to racing.
5. For boats with onboard electrics or flammable fuels, a fire extinguisher charged, in date and readily accessible
6. A bucket of not less than two gallons capacity, fitted with a lanyard of suitable strength and length.
7. One anchor with chain of suitable size for the boat's length and displacement with suitable anchor and rode of at least 150 feet in length. **No part of an anchor shall overhang any part of the boat while racing unless prior exemption has been granted in writing by the OA.**
8. A first aid kit suitable for rendering first aid treatment in minor injuries
9. Charts covering the area to be raced.
10. Readily accessible and suitably sized lifejackets, with a whistle attached, for each person onboard and meeting the requirements of marine authorities recognised by GSW.
11. One life ring or lifesling capable of supporting the largest member of the crew in the water and positioned above deck such that it is immediately available for use in an emergency.
12. VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on the emergency and Race Committee channels.
13. A compass suitable for navigation.
14. A shut off valve in working order shall be fitted to each fuel tank.
15. For boats with an engine, sufficient fuel to enable a boat to return to harbour under power.

16. Hatches, companionways, and ports shall be capable of being substantially watertight while racing.
17. Cockpits should be self-bailing and fitted with adequate drains.
18. Sufficient drinking water shall be carried on board so that at the finish of the day's racing there remains at least one pint per person.