



REGIONAL OPERATIONAL FACILITY
CARIBBEAN YOUTH ENVIRONMENT NETWORK



The 7th Caribbean Youth Environment and Development Congress
and the
The 2nd TUNZA-GEO for Youth Workshop for the Caribbean Sub-region
Grande Anse, Grenada. 30th October – 3rd November 2008

*“Climate change, water availability and the emerging nexus of environmental issues:
impediments to achieving the MDGs in the Caribbean”*

AIDE MEMOIRE

Accommodation will be at:

Grand View Inn
P.O. Box 614
St. George's
Grenada/W.I
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Description:

A small unique and friendly Caribbean resort offering spectacular views over the world famous Grand Anse Beach and the secluded Morne Rouge Bay. Private and relaxing, the comfort and serenity at "Grand View Inn" allows true enjoyment of the natural beauty of Grenada.

Grand View Inn is just:

- 15 minutes easy walking distance to the shopping center
- 5 minutes walking distance to two of our famous beaches, Grand Anse and Morne Rouge Beach.
- 15 minutes driving distance from airport.
- 20 minutes driving distance to the capital, St. George's
- Internet cafe available on premises.

Rates (all rates and prices are in US dollars per night and breakfast not included)
Note the Congress runs over six (6) nights

Single room: \$65.00 + tax
Double room \$80.00 + tax
Triple room: \$95.00 + tax



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Other expenses to keep in mind

- Catered lunch: \$13.00 per person per day
- Breakfast \$ 8.00 per person per day (inclusive of tax)
- Departure tax from Grenada: \$20.00
- Conference registration fee \$20.00
- Individual membership fees: \$ 5.00
- Organisational membership fees \$10.00

All prices are quoted in US dollars.

Conference venue:

Grenada Grand View Inn Conference center.

THINGS TO BE AWARE OF

Visitors traveling to Grenada should be aware of the following general information about the nation to enhance their enjoyment of Grenada.

- Business Hours

Banking hours in Grenada are usually Monday to Thursday from 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., and Fridays from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. See our list of Banks in the Facilities section for more detailed information.

- Shops

Shops are generally open from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, and 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. on Saturdays. Supermarkets and shopping centers are usually open from 9:00 am. – 7 pm. And there are one or two that are open on Sundays.

Craft and souvenir shops will open on a Sunday or Bank Holiday, especially if cruise ships are in port.

- Government offices

Government offices are generally open from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, but may be closed from 12:00 to 1:00 pm for lunch.

- Churches

There is a good representation of many of the major religious denominations in most towns and villages including Roman Catholic, Anglican, Presbyterian, Seven Day Adventist and Methodists.



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- Credit Cards & Currency

Major credit cards are accepted by most hotels, car rental companies, and shops. Travelers cheques are accepted everywhere. The Eastern Caribbean Dollar, linked to the US Dollar, is the local currency. Banks will exchange EC\$2.67 for US\$1.00 cash, and EC\$2.68 for US\$1.00 in travelers cheques. It is advisable to exchange currency at the banks, as the most favourable exchange rates may not be obtained elsewhere.

- Departure Tax

Persons 13 years of age and older are required to pay EC \$50 (US \$20 or £14). Departure tax for persons from 5 to 12 years of age is EC \$25 (US \$10 or £7). Children under 5 years are exempt.

Visitors remaining on island for less than 24 hours are not exempt from paying the departure taxes. Only in-transit passengers are exempt.

- Dress

Casual, light cottons are ideal during the day; in the evenings, elegantly casual attire is appropriate. Bathing suits or mini shorts should not be worn in the streets or stores. Long pants and hiking shoes are recommended for hiking.

- Driving

Visitors wishing to drive while in Grenada must obtain a local driving permit from either the traffic department at the Central Police Station on the Careenage. A bona fide driver's license must be presented and a fee of EC \$30 paid. Most car rental firms also issue local permits.

There is a network of approximately 650 miles of paved roads and most of the main roads are in good condition. Please note that driving is on the LEFT.

- Electricity

Voltage is 220 volts - 50 cycles. Appliances rated at 110 volts (US standard) normally work satisfactorily with a transformer. Most hotels provide dual voltage shaver units, but an adaptor plug is necessary for small appliances.

- Entry Requirements

A valid passport and return or onward ticket is required for all visitors. However, proof of citizenship bearing a photograph is acceptable from British, Canadian and US citizens. Please note however that as mandated by the United States Department of Homeland Security, all US travelers must provide a passport to enter or re-enter the US from both vacation and business travel. A visa is not required from citizens of the US, Canada, UK, British Commonwealth, most Caribbean countries, most European countries, South Korea, and Japan. Please see the complete lists of persons requiring visas and persons exempt from visas.

Nationals of the Dominican Republic and Haiti are required to obtain visas to enter Grenada.



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- Government

The state of Grenada, which includes Carriacou and Petite Martinique, is an independent nation within the British Commonwealth. A governor general represents her majesty the Queen. The country is governed by a 13-member senate and a House of Representatives, with a Speaker and 15 members, each representing a constituency.

- Language

English is the official language but it is not uncommon to hear a French-African patois spoken.

- Medical Facilities

There are two hospitals in St. George's there are the General Hospital and the St. Augustine's Medical Center in St. George's, a smaller hospital in Mirabeau in the northern parish of St. Andrew, and one in Carriacou. Clinics and doctors can be found throughout the islands.

- Postal Information

The General Post Office is in Burns Point by the Port in St. George's. There are sub-post offices in all towns and villages. Post Offices are open 8:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m., Monday to Thursday; Fridays until 4:30 p.m.

Efficient local, regional and international mailing is enhanced by international couriers, Federal Express, DHL and UPS; and the General Post Office has an Express Mail service.

- Preservation

The barking of trees and taking of wildlife from the forest and rivers, and corals from the sea is strictly forbidden.

- Radio & Television

There are currently ten radio stations (AM 535 kHz; AM 1400 kHz / FM90 kHz / FM96.3 kHz; FM 101.7 kHz; FM105.5 kHz) and three television stations. Many hotels have satellite/cable television.

- Tax & Tipping

There is an 8% Government Tax at hotels and restaurants. Most also add a 10% service charge. Additional gratuities are at your discretion.

- Telecommunications

The area code for Grenada is 473. International Direct Dialing is available from most hotel rooms, please check with your hotel front desk for their current rates.



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Mobile service is available from Cable & Wireless and Digicel.

Cable & Wireless Caribbean Cellular Service (USA AMPS Systems), is available to 60% of Grenada, parts of Carriacou, Petite Martinique and much of the surrounding waters. Roaming service is available to all AMPS compatible cellular phone owners. Please contact Cable & Wireless at 473-440-1000 for more details.

Phone services are available at various points throughout the island, Coin phones for local calls and Card Phones for both local and overseas calls. Prepaid cards can be purchased at Cable & Wireless offices and agents, and at the Grenada Board of Tourism's office in St. George's.

- Time Zone

Grenada is in the Atlantic Standard Time Zone, one hour ahead of Eastern Standard Time and four hours behind GMT.

- Water

Tap water is safe to drink; bottled water is available.