

RESPONSE FROM BLUE FLAG

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Dear Sandra C.A. Ferguson and Clifford Robertson

Thank you for your e-mails and faxes regarding Port Louis Camper & Nicholson Marina in Grenada.

Before a beach or marina in a country can receive the Blue Flag award, it is first of all necessary to ensure a proper national set-up. Currently, FEE has no representation in Grenada, so a national environmental organisation from Grenada has to become member of FEE to be in charge of implementing and running the Blue Flag Programme in Grenada. This national member organisation must ensure a proper set-up nationally with various national stakeholders (tourism, environment, NGO, public sector and private sector) in a National Blue Flag Jury.

Let me stress that the Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE, the organisation behind Blue Flag) only awards the Blue Flag to a beach or marina if it complies with all the imperative Blue Flag criteria. This is ensured through evaluation of application before the award and onsite control visits during the season both nationally (national member organisation and national Blue Flag Jury) and internationally (FEE and International Blue Flag Jury).

I have not before been aware that Port Louis Camper & Nicholson Marina in Grenada is interested in the Blue Flag award, and this will not become possible, unless there is the national set-up as earlier explained and the full compliance with all Blue Flag requirements has been ensured.

Best regards

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