

ACT

Chapter No. 27 of 1958

Amended by

Act No. 37 of 1979
Act No. 74 of 1979
Act No. 30 of 1986
Act No. 20 of 1988
Act No. 10 of 1990
Act No. 30 of 1991
Act No. 14 of 1994
Act No. 21 of 1994
Act No. 2 of 1996
Act No. 19 of 1999

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CHAPTER 25 BANK HOLIDAYS ACT

An Act to make provision for Bank Holidays, and respecting obligations to make payments and do other acts on Bank Holidays.

[Cap. 27 of 1958, amended by Act No. 37 of 1979, Act No. 74 of 1979, Act No. 30 of 1986, Act No. 20 of 1988, Act No. 10 of 1990, Act No. 30 of 1991, Act No. 14 of 1994, Act No. 21 of 1994, Act No. 2 of 1996, Act No. 19 of 1999.]

[26th May, 1875.]

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the [Bank Holidays Act](#).

2. Bills due on Bank Holidays to be payable on the following day

The several days mentioned in [the Schedule](#) to this Act (which days are in this Act referred to as "Bank Holidays") shall be kept as close holidays in all banks in Grenada, and all bills of exchange and promissory notes which are due and payable on any Bank Holiday shall be payable and, when necessary in case of non-payment, may be noted and protested, on the next following day and not on such Bank Holiday; and any such noting or protest shall be as valid as if made on the day on which the bill or note was made due and payable; and for all the purposes of this Act the day next following a Bank Holiday shall mean the next following day on which a bill of exchange may be lawfully noted or protested.

3. Provision as to notice of dishonour and presentation

When the day on which any notice of dishonour of an unpaid bill of exchange or promissory note should be given, or when the day on which a bill of exchange or promissory note should be presented or received for acceptance or accepted, or forwarded to any referee or referees, is a Bank Holiday, such notice of dishonour shall be given and such bill of exchange or promissory note shall be presented or forwarded on the day next following such Bank Holiday.

4. As to payments on Bank Holidays

No person shall be compellable to make any payment or to do any act upon Bank Holidays which he would not be compellable to do or make on Christmas Day or Good Friday; and the obligation to make such payment and to do such act shall apply to the day following the Bank Holiday; and the making of such payment and doing of such act on such following day shall be equivalent to payment of the money or performance of the act on the holiday.

5. Day appointed for Bank Holiday may be altered by Proclamation

It shall be lawful for the Governor-General from time to time when it is made to appear to the Governor-General in any special case that in any year it is inexpedient that a day by this Act appointed for a Bank Holiday should be a Bank Holiday, to declare by Proclamation, in the manner in which solemn fasts or days of public thanksgiving may be appointed, that such day shall not in that year be a Bank Holiday, and to appoint another day to be a Bank Holiday instead of such day, and thereupon the day so appointed shall in that year be substituted for the day so appointed by this Act.

6. Bank Holidays to be holidays at public offices

Bank Holidays shall be kept as public holidays at all public offices.

7. Appointment of special Bank Holidays by Proclamation

It shall be lawful for the Governor-General from time to time, by Proclamation in the *Gazette*, to appoint a special day, or part thereof, to be observed as a Bank Holiday, either throughout Grenada or in any part thereof, or in any town or district therein, and any day, or part thereof, so appointed shall be kept as a close holiday in all Banks within the locality mentioned in the Proclamation, and shall as regards bills of exchange and promissory notes payable in such locality, be deemed to be a Bank Holiday for all the purposes of this Act.

Schedule **BANK HOLIDAYS ACT**

Bank Holidays

The first day of January.

The seventh day of February, which shall be known and referred to as Independence Day.

Good Friday.

Easter Monday.

The first day of May, which shall be known and referred to as Labour Day.

Whit Monday.

Corpus Christi.

The first Monday in August which shall be known and referred to as Emancipation Holiday.

The second Monday in August and from noon the day following which shall be known and referred to as the Carnival August Celebrations.

The twenty-fifth day of October which shall be known and referred to as Thanksgiving Day.

Christmas Day.

The twenty-sixth day of December, which shall be known and referred to as Boxing Day.

When any of the above days falls on a Sunday, the Monday immediately next following shall be a Bank Holiday.