



XLIII Sandy Lane Barbados Gold Cup 2026 (GR.1. – BAR. – INT.)

CONDITIONS

A weight-for-age race over 1 1/8 miles (1800 metres) on the turf open to three-year-olds and over horses from any country with a Recognised Turf Authority to be run on Saturday 7th March, 2026. In order to maximize international participation, specific notification of this race will be given to Recognised Turf Authorities in the Caribbean (including Puerto Rico), the United Kingdom, Canada and the United States of America.

1. SCALE OF WEIGHTS AND ALLOWANCES

- **5-YEAR - OLDS & OVER 129 lbs.**
- **4-YEAR - OLDS 125 lbs.**
- **3-YEAR - OLDS 109 lbs.**

- Fillies and mares allowed 5lbs.
- West Indian bred horses allowed 7lbs.
- No maiden or apprentice allowances.

2. NOMINATION, PRE-ENTRY, ENTRY FEES AND DUE DATES

See Fee Schedule below:

FEE SCHEDULE

FEE FOR	AMOUNT	DUE DATE	TIME
Nomination	US \$375.00 (BDS \$750.00)	23 rd JANUARY, 2026	4:00 PM
Pre-Entry	US \$1,000.00 (BDS \$2,000.00)	6 th FEBRUARY, 2026	4:00 PM
Entry	US \$2,250.00 (BDS \$4,500.00)	25 th FEBRUARY, 2026	10:00 AM

Where the Nomination Fee is not paid by the due date as mentioned above, horses shall still be eligible for Entry provided that the penalty according to the Penalty Schedule below is paid.

Any Owner who fails to subscribe by the due dates stated above may subscribe at any of the later dates, provided that all of the previous unpaid subscriptions are paid together with all of the penalties according to the following schedule.

PENALTY SCHEDULE

FAILURE TO PAY NOMINATION (BY DUE DATE)	PENALTY	PLUS UNPAID NOMINATION	TOTAL	DUE BY
1 ST	US \$1,500.00 (BDS \$3,000.00)	US \$375.00 (BDS \$750.00)	US \$1,875.00 (BDS \$3,750.00)	6 th FEBRUARY, 2026

Gold Cup Late Penalty Conditions

Horses which are not subscribed by 6th February, 2026 shall still be eligible for entry provided that the unpaid nomination of Bds. \$750.00, the unpaid Pre-Entry of Bds. \$2,000.00 a late penalty of Bds. \$5,000.00 in addition to the entry fee of Bds. \$4,500.00, is paid at the time of entry.

Preference to start shall be given to all horses which are not subject to the above late penalty conditions.

NO REFUND OF NOMINATIONS, PRE-ENTRY FEE OR PENALTY FEE WILL BE MADE.

Note:

1. Nomination fees, Pre-Entry fee and Penalty fee are non-refundable.
2. Entry fees will only be refunded in respect of all entrants not selected to run due to excess entries.
3. 50% of the late penalty fee (Bds. \$2,500.00) will only be refunded in respect of all entrants which subscribed at the late penalty stage and are not selected to run due to excess entries.
4. Nomination fees, Pre-Entry Fees, Penalties and Entry fees are non-refundable for horses which fail a pre-race Veterinary examination and are subsequently deemed ineligible to participate in any race for which it has been entered to run.
5. All payments are to be received by the Barbados Turf Club on or before the stated dates and times at its Registered Office, The Grandstand, The Garrison, St. Michael, Barbados.

3. PROCEDURES, ELIGIBILITY, SELECTION

- There shall be a maximum of **Twelve (12) runners in the race.**
- The Barbados Turf Club reserves the right to refuse nominations for any horse(s) whose performances, handicap ratings, Beyer speed figures, or other factors as determined by the Barbados Turf Club, render the horse unsuitable for participation in a Gr. I.- Barbados - International race.
 - The Gold Cup Handicap Rating Committee will issue and publish new Gold Cup Ratings for all horses which have been nominated to participate in this race. Horses shall be ranked in accordance with their Gold Cup Rating.
 - Horses with the lowest Gold Cup Rating will be eliminated first sequentially in the published ascending order.

4. DECLARATION

- Declaration for the race shall be on or before **Thursday 5th March, 2026 at 10:00AM.**
- The Classification Committee shall announce and publish the final rankings by or before 4:00pm on the day of entries (Wednesday 25th February, 2026).

5. PRIZES

A Gold Cup and US\$85,000.00 (BDS\$170,000.00) to the winner

2nd place US\$35,000.00 (BDS\$70,000.00)

3rd place US\$20,000.00 (BDS\$40,000.00)

4th place US\$12,500.00 (BDS\$25,000.00)

5th place US\$3,250.00 (BDS\$6,500.00)

6th place US\$2,500.00 (BDS\$5,000.00)

Note: The current exchange rate is BDS\$2.00 = US \$1.00

Subscriptions consisting of the nomination and pre-entry fees will be paid in the following percentages:

1 st	-	55%
2 nd	-	23%
3 rd	-	14%
4 th	-	8%

6. **TRANSPORT ASSISTANCE**

The Barbados Turf Club will assist with the cost of transporting horse(s) to Barbados specifically for the race with an amount of US\$2,000.00. This subsidy shall be available only to the Owner(s) of International horses which actually run in the Barbados Gold Cup race. Horses which are deemed unfit to run by the Club's Veterinary Officer or that have received a report of a positive test for any prohibitive substance(s) and are subsequently disqualified by the Stewards of the Club shall be deemed ineligible to receive this subsidy.

N.B. An International Horse – is a horse imported to Barbados to run in the Barbados Gold Cup, starts in the Gold Cup and is re-exported out of Barbados within one (1) month of the date of this race. Owners of horses which do not meet all of these requirements will be deemed ineligible for this subsidy.

7. **GENERAL**

- In order for a horse to be eligible to take entry in Barbados it must:-
- ◆ be registered with the Barbados Turf Club
 - ◆ have a Gold Cup Rating and;
 - ◆ comply with local quarantine, vaccination and steroid testing requirements.
- (Available at www.barbadosturfclub.org)
- Conditions governing the “**Elimination of Excess Entries**” shall not apply to this race.

Persons making any payments by cheque or by memorandum authorizing the Barbados Turf Club to debit an account for any of the requisite fees are asked to note the following:

In the event that

- (a) Said cheque is subsequently returned by our Bankers duly stamped “Refer to Drawer” or
- (b) A Memorandum to debit an existing account with the Barbados Turf Club lacks sufficient funds.

The subscription(s) for which the payment was intended shall be deemed null and void, treated as a missed subscription and shall be subject to any and all penalties due at the next subscription stage.