

**CHAPTER 380C**

**ST. JOHN AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION OF  
BARBADOS (INCORPORATION)**

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*An Act to incorporate the St. John Ambulance of Barbados as the  
St. John Ambulance Association of Barbados.* 2003-19.

[25th December, 2003] Commence-  
ment.

*WHEREAS for many years there has been established in Barbados  
a voluntary charitable organization known as the St. John Ambulance;*

*AND WHEREAS it is expedient that the said organization should  
be incorporated for the purpose of exercising the powers hereinafter  
set forth:*

**1.** This Act may be cited as the *St. John Ambulance Association of  
Barbados (Incorporation) Act.* Short title.

**2.** In this Act,

Interpreta-  
tion.

"Association" means the St. John Ambulance Association;

"Council" means the National St. John Council of the Order of  
St. John for the Territory of Barbados;

"Foundation" means an organization constituted for the furtherance of  
any of the objects or purposes of the Order;

"Order" means the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of St. John  
of Jerusalem;

"St. John Ambulance" means the national voluntary charitable  
organization of the foundation of the Order in Barbados.

**3.** (1) The St. John Ambulance is hereby established as a body Association  
corporate to be known as the St. John Ambulance Association of to be body  
Barbados. corporate.

Cap. 1. (2) Section 21 of the *Interpretation Act* shall apply to the Association established by subsection (1).

Objects of Association.

**4.** The objects of the Association are

- (a) to encourage and promote all works of humanity and charity for the relief of persons in sickness, distress, suffering or danger without any distinction of race, class, colour or creed;
- (b) to render aid to the sick and wounded in time of war or peace and to promote permanent organizations in time of peace so that aid may immediately be available in time of emergency and such aid shall include the provision of technical reserves for the medical services of the Government and armed forces of Barbados;
- (c) to promote, encourage and co-ordinate relationships between the Association and similar organizations in other countries under the name of St. John, the Red Cross Society and other similar voluntary or statutory organizations; and
- (d) to do anything necessary or incidental to the carrying out of the objects specified in paragraphs (a) to (c).

Management of the Association.

**5.** (1) There shall be a Council which shall be responsible for the management of the Association.

(2) The National St. John Council for Barbados shall be the Council for the purposes of subsection (1).

(3) The Council may make rules respecting the management of the affairs of the Association and the accomplishment of its objects.

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(4) Notwithstanding section 16(1) of the *Interpretation Act*, rules made by the Council are not required to be published in the *Official Gazette*.

Register.

**6.** The Association shall keep a register of its members.

**7.** (1) On 25th December, 2003, all assets and liabilities of the St. John Ambulance shall vest in the Association. Vesting of assets.

(2) All deeds, bonds, instruments and contracts subsisting immediately before 25th December, 2003 to which the St. John Ambulance is a party shall be of full force and effect against or in favour of the Association, and enforceable as fully and effectually as if the Association had been a party thereto.

**8.** (1) The income and property of the Association, however derived, shall be used solely for the purpose of promoting the objects of the Association as specified in section 4, and no portion of that income or property shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of dividend, bonus or in any other manner to members of the Association. Appropriation of assets.

(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1),

(a) a payment of remuneration may be made in good faith to a member, servant or an officer of the Association for service rendered to the Association; or

(b) a payment of a benevolent nature may be made in pursuance of the objects of the Association specified in section 4.

**9.** All documents issued by the Association that are required by law to be under seal shall be sealed with the common seal of the Association and witnessed by the Chairman, the Secretary and one other member of the Council. Sealing of documents.

**10.** (1) Any person who Offences.

(a) without the permission in writing of the Association sells or exposes for sale any object displaying

(i) the name or Badge of the Association; or

(ii) the Arms of the Order;

(b) wears, carries or bears anything displaying

(i) the name or Badge of the Association; or

(ii) the Arms of the Order

in such a manner as to convey the impression that such person is a member or agent for or otherwise connected with the Association; or

(c) falsely holds himself out to be a member of the Association for the purpose of soliciting, collecting or receiving money or material

is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of \$1 000 or to imprisonment for a term of 6 months or to both.

(2) For the purposes of this section,

(a) "Badge" means the emblem described in paragraph 1 of the *Schedule*;

Schedule.

(b) "Arms" means the emblem described in paragraph 2 of the *Schedule*.

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*(Section (10(2))*1. *Badge of the Association*

A white eight-pointed cross embellished in the four principal angles alternately with a lion passant guardant and a unicorn passant. The lions and unicorns shall be either white or silver, except that they may be gold in the case of Bailiffs or Dames Grand Cross or Knights or Dames of Justice or in the case of Flags approved by the Grand Prior on which the Badge is displayed. The eight points of the cross are equidistant from each other and lie on the circumference of a circle. The re-entrant angle in the end of each of the four arms of the cross is bounded by lines drawn, crossing one another, from each point of that arm to the point of the cross distant from it three-eighths of the circumference of the above circle. The diameter of the circle enclosing the lions and unicorns must not be less than one-half, nor more than two-thirds of the diameter of the circle passing through the eight points of the cross.

*2. Arms of the Order*



Gules, a cross Argent, in the first quarter a representation of Her Majesty's Crest.