



PUBLIC NOTICE

2023 INDEPENDENCE DAY MILITARY PARADE

The **61st Anniversary Independence Day Military Parade** will be staged at the Queen's Park Savannah, on **Thursday 31st August 2023**, commencing at **7:30 a.m.**

After the display at the Savannah, the Parade will proceed South onto **Frederick Street**, West onto **Park Street**, then onto **Tragarete Road via Green Corner**, to the **Roxy Roundabout**, before proceeding onto the **Western Main Road**, then North onto **Long Circular Road**, prior to entering the football field located at the Western end, outside of the Police Barracks, where the Parade will be dismissed.

Traffic Restriction for Queen's Park East unto Queen's Park West: Unauthorized Vehicles will not be permitted to proceed West around the Queen's Park Savannah in the vicinity of the Memorial Park to Victoria Avenue in the vicinity of TGI Friday's Restaurant.

Traffic Route for Queen's Park Savannah Commuters: Vehicles not authorized for the purpose of the Independence Day Parade may proceed along the Queen's Park Savannah using the following routes:

1. South along Queen's Park East unto Charlotte Street, then West unto Oxford Street,
2. West along Oxford Street and then North unto Edward Street followed by West on Gordon Street,
3. South on Dundonald Street up to Fitzgerald Lane,
4. West along Fitzgerald Lane up to Victoria Avenue,
5. Right unto Victoria Avenue followed by a left on Tranquillity Street, and
6. Right at Stanmore Avenue or Cipriani Boulevard to access the Queens Park Savannah West.

The General Public can view the Parade at the Queen's Park Savannah and/or along the designated route.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Members of the Public are hereby notified that **five hundred (500)** seats have been reserved in the **Eastern Wing** at the **Queen's Park Savannah**, to view the Parade. A limited number of Public Invitations are available and can be collected from the Defence Section, Ministry of National Security, 31 – 33 Abercromby Street, Port of Spain. **The issuing of Invitations Cards to members of the public will commence on Thursday August 24, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. and end on Friday August 25, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.**

Pedestrian access to the facility would be via the gate located at the Eastern end of the Grand Stand.

Persons will be accommodated on a first come first served basis.

Please note that the gate to the Public Seating will be opened at 6:00 a.m. and closed at 6:45 a.m.

INVITED GUESTS

Invited Guests are requested to **display their Invitation Cards and Parking Stickers** for viewing by Police Officers along their designated Route(s) and upon entering their respective Parking Locations.

Guests are kindly asked to be seated by 7:15 a.m.

SUGGESTED ROUTES FOR INVITED GUESTS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

INVITED GUESTS

Parking for Invited Guest will be accommodated at alternate Parking Locations in Port of Spain, as follows:

- a. Behind the Grand Stand, Eastern End, Queen's Park Savannah;
- b. National Academy for the Performing Arts (NAPA);
- c. Atlantic LNG Car Park, Pembroke Street;
- d. TSTT Car Park, Corner New and St. Vincent Streets, POS;
- e. National Archives Car Park, Corner New and St. Vincent Streets;
- f. J.D. Sellier, Abercromby Street;
- g. Tranquillity Secondary School, Victoria Avenue; and
- h. Casual Corner Entrance, Queen's Park Savannah West.

Recommended Routes to these Car Parks are outlined in the respective Invitations.

GENERAL PUBLIC

Members of the General Public will be allowed to park at the two (2) designated parking areas at the Queens Park Savannah. Recommended Routes are as follows:

(1) Queen's Park Savannah West (Casual Corner):

Proceed West on Wrightson Road, Turn North on Colville Street, East on Tragarete Road, North on Cipriani Boulevard or Stanmore Avenue and Over on to Queen's Park Savannah West. Continue West along the Savannah keeping on the extreme right lane and enter at Casual Corner Entrance which is at the bend after the US Embassy; and

(2) Queen's Park Savannah East (St. Ann's Roundabout):

Proceed West on Wrightson Road, Turn North on Colville Street, East on to Tragarete Road, North on Cipriani Boulevard or Stanmore Avenue and Over on to Queen's Park West. Continue West along the Savannah keeping on the extreme left lane until in the vicinity of Queen's Royal College and or the Zoo at which time you would occupy the lane to the extreme right in order to access the entrance to Queen's Park Savannah which is opposite the St. Ann's Roundabout.

To assist in alleviation of traffic, Guests are kindly asked to access the Queen's Park Savannah and/or along the designated route(s).

VENDING – QUEEN'S PARK SAVANNAH

The Ministry of National Security wishes to advise members of the public that **NO VENDING** would be allowed at the venue including within the precincts of NAPA and areas to be used for the staging of the **61st Anniversary Independence Day Military Parade** and Toast to the Nation, **from 12:00 a.m. on Monday August 28, 2023 to 5:00 p.m. on Thursday August 31, 2023.**

This is to facilitate the necessary preparations for hosting the Parade at the Queen's Park Savannah.

Any inconvenience caused is regretted.