



CREWED CHARTER – *Welcome Aboard*

Thank you for choosing to vacation with **VOYAGE charters**. We look forward to sharing with you the delights of a luxury crewed charter in the British Virgin Islands . . . sailing, snorkeling, diving, dining and dancing the night away while relaxing aboard a comfortable, spacious catamaran. Our goal is to provide you with the vacation of a lifetime.

The following is key information related to your upcoming charter in the British Virgin Islands and we recommend you carefully read and review to assist you in planning for your upcoming vacation.

- **Passports** are required for entry into the BVI for all Nationalities including US Citizens. If you are unsure if you require a Visa for travel into the British Virgin Islands, please contact your local authorities for detailed entry requirements.
- **Emergency Contact Information** – our crewed yachts are NOT supplied with cell phones that guests can use. We have found that the majority of cell phones do work in the BVIs. Call your cell phone carrier and have them authorize “international” calling. As a backup, you can always give them the BVI Base’s phone number. It is available 7 days a week – 8am to 6pm. 1-284-494-0740
- **Carry** a change of cloths, a swim suit and any vital medications in your carry-on luggage. This way, if your luggage is delayed, you will be able to enjoy your vacation while the airline traces it. The address of the marina is below and we strongly suggest that you label your luggage with the marina address for easy identification for the airlines:

**Voyage Charters BVI, Sopers Hole Marina
Frenchman’s Cay, West End
Tortola, British Virgin Islands Phone: 1-284-494-0740**

- **Pack** your belongings in duffel bags or soft-sided luggage as these can be easily stored onboard. Hard-sided suitcases and “roller suitcases” do not fit in the cabinets well and will take up valuable space in your cabin.
- **Beach towels**, bath and hand towels and face cloths are provided onboard your yacht.
- **Travel light** - you won’t need much! Like the lifestyle, clothing in the BVI is casual. Bring as many changes of swimwear as you like and a few pairs of shorts and T-shirts. It is a good idea to pack one light-weight sweater and a pair of long pants as it can be cool on the water in the evening.
- For trips ashore and the rare occasion when you might want to wear shoes on deck, a good pair of deck shoes are handy. Beach shoes, such as **‘Teva’s**, are a must for this vacation, you will need footwear that can handle getting wet and filled with sand.



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- The sun in the British Virgin Islands is fierce and commands respect. **Sunscreens are a must.** Please do not pack suntan oils as they turn the boat decks into skating rinks. We also prefer “PABA free” lotions as PABA will stain fiberglass. A good pair of sun glasses is essential as are a couple of hats.
- All guests over the age of 18 are required to have a BVI Fishing License in order to fish in the British Virgin Islands. You must contact www.LastStopSports.com 2 weeks prior to your departure and they will process your license and deliver it to your yacht for you.
- **Attention Divers** - Please confirm with your Captain how many certified divers are in your group and plan to dive while on your charter. Remember to bring your **Certification Card**.
- The water temperature in the BVI is usually between 75-80 degrees which can feel surprisingly cool after an hour or two so if you own a light wetsuit or exposure suit please bring it along. Shortie wetsuits can be rented from local dive operators. Please consider bringing children’s PFD/floatation devices and snorkel gear, the yacht is equipped with adult snorkel gear and PDF’s. We recommend you bring along children’s gear to ensure a comfortable and safe fit.
- Music is a must. All boats have Bose sound systems with CD player and iPod docking stations in the main salon. Don’t forget to pack your 3mm mini-jack for your iPod if you want to listen to music in your cabin. **Free Wi Fi** access is available onboard. Bring your PC if you would like to use this service (must have a wireless card).
- When leaving the BVIs, you must pay local **departure taxes**. Beef Island airport is \$20 per person. The Ferry Terminal to St. Thomas is \$5 per person. Payment is accepted in cash or travelers checks only.
- It is customary to leave **gratuity** for your crew at the end of your charter. We recommend an average of **15% gratuity** to your crew (based on the charter fee).
- **Please return your Preference Sheet with final payment 60 days prior to departure.** The crews will begin to plan menus and will contact you approximately two or three weeks prior to your arrival to discuss final details of your trip and arrange taxi transportation if needed. Transfers are not included and are at your own expense.
- Review the write-up ***A Day in the Life of a Crewed Charter Vacation*** to assist you in planning your days onboard. Please take a moment to read it before you fill out your preference sheet. We know you will get excited anticipating your vacation of a lifetime.



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- The beverages list provided on your preference sheet is representative of our standard bar of wines and spirits and is included in your charter fee. Additional premier wines can be purchased for you in advance and stocked in addition to your standard bar. For a list of premier wines, please sign into your **VOYAGE Online Secure Zone**. If you need assistance connecting to your **VOYAGE Online Secure Zone**, please contact your Charter Specialist for details.
- For any other alcoholic beverages not included on our preference sheet, we suggest ordering directly from **TICO BVI www.ticobvi.com**. Please provide TICO with your boat name and arrival date and let them know you are chartering with VOYAGE charters. They will be delivered to your yacht prior to your arrival.

As always, your Charter Specialists are available to answer any questions you may have. We look forward to hearing from you.



CREWED CHARTER – *Transportation Options*

The British Virgin Islands lie east of the Caribbean island of Puerto Rico and West of St. Thomas in the northern portion of the West Indies chain. The lack of any direct flight is a blessing in disguise. The island terrain does not allow enough land to build a full-sized runway; therefore, flights are strictly limited to small commercial and private planes. While this does curtail the tourist economy, it also secures the location as a safe haven for sailors and divers for years to come. The physical development and human encroachment have been contained within the two larger islands of Tortola and Virgin Gorda, leaving the rest to a natural existence.

YOUR CREW will be more than happy to assist you with any last minute questions regarding pick up and drop off to your yacht. As a courtesy, we ask that you please submit your transportation details with your preference sheet and this will ensure your crew has your arrival/departure information. Of course, if you have any last minute travel changes prior to your departure, we will ask that you contact your crew directly and provide them the details.

DISCOUNTED AIRFARE OPTIONS:

For flight information and fare quotes please call **Caribbean Travel at 1-800-327-5540 (or local 1-305-444-7999)**. Caribbean Travel offer wholesale rates for flights to the Caribbean.

BY AIR:

It is a 25 minute flight by commuter plane from San Juan, Puerto Rico to Tortola in the BVI (EIS). Flights run throughout the day from San Juan to Tortola. Your flight will actually arrive on Beef Island, a small island outcropping off the north point of the big island of Tortola. The airport is connected to the main island by a short bridge.

BY FERRY

Alternately, you may fly to St. Thomas (STT) and take a 40 minute ferry ride. Please check the BVI Welcome website for departure times www.bviwelcome.com. Public ferries depart Charlotte Amalie and Red Hook, St. Thomas for West End. You may also arrange for a private water taxi service through **Dohm's Water Taxi** to transport you between St. Thomas and Tortola and deliver you straight to your yacht. www.watertaxi-vi.com **Please refer to the accompanying page for specific recommendations and details.**

WEST END

Soper's Hole on the West End is where the island's first Dutch settlers landed in 1648. This sheltered harbor is a major anchorage and port of entry. Tortola's first Ferry terminal from the USVI is located here, as well as customs and immigration facilities. Across the harbor, connected by bridge is Frenchman's Cay. **VOYAGE charters BVI base is located in Soper's hole Marine, West End.**



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All published rates are approximate at time of publication and can be changed by vendor at anytime.

Tortola – Land Taxi – Beef Island Airport

If you require taxi service on Tortola arranged, please make your crew aware once you are contacted by them and they will make the necessary arrangements for you through **JP Transport Services**.

BEEF ISLAND AIRPORT:

Roundtrip transfer \$30.00 per adult - 13 & up

One Way \$18.00 per adult - 13 & up

Roundtrip transfer \$15.00 per child - 12 & under

One Way \$9.00 per child - 12 & under

WEST END FERRY TERMINAL:

\$4 per person VOYAGE charters base to West End Ferry Dock

\$7 per person VOYAGE charters base to Road Town (3 person minimum)

St. Thomas to Tortola (West End) – Public Ferry

\$67 round-trip per adult \$56 round-trip per child (3-11) \$20 roundtrip (under 3)

Reservations and pre-payment are required. These rates include round-trip express taxi transfers between St. Thomas airport and the ferry terminal at Charlotte Amalie and round-trip ferry tickets. Transportation to and from the West End ferry terminal and the VOYAGE charters base is NOT included in this fee. **To arrange pre-paid transfers, please email Marjorie at Island Magic.** Transfers can ONLY be booked through Marjorie.

Email: magicplace@hotmail.com

Phone: 340-775-7292

<http://smithsferry.com>

St. Thomas to Tortola (West End) – Private Water Taxi

Private Water Taxi services are offered by **Dohm's Water Taxi**. Dohm's offers transfers based on the time you need to travel and will take you to exactly where you need to go. (No set schedule or pickup/drop-off location). Fares are one-way, reservations required.

St Thomas to West End, Tortola 5 person minimum \$65 each person

Phone: 1-340-775-6501

Web: www.watertaxi-vi.com

Email: vitaxi@viaccess.net



CREWED CHARTER – *A Day in the Life of a Crewed Charter Guest*

As soon as you arrive in Soper's Hole Marina, the breathtaking beauty of all the white yachts lined up at the dock, floating in the azure water under the Caribbean sun you know you have arrived and the anticipation of chartering your own private yacht for a week is finally over. Here you are!

Check in at the front desk of the VOYAGE office and you are on your way. You may begin boarding your private yacht at Noon. You will be greeted by your crew and led to your magnificent "home away from home" on the water. Your chef will be waiting onboard with a cool tropical welcome drink so relax, cool off, and begin to unwind from your journey. Enjoy the beautiful scenery and sip your drink while your crew is stowing your luggage aboard. When you are ready they will show you to your private cabins. Feel free to relax, unpack your bags and settle in. Your vacation has finally begun.

While your chef adds the finishing touches to your first lunch aboard, put on that new bathing suit or a comfortable pair of shorts and join your friends back on deck for a sumptuous lunch. Dine on a light lunch of Shrimp Cesar Salad with home-made, herbed Focaccia bread or Jerk Chicken with avocado salad and crispy noodles and maybe enjoy another cocktail of the day, while you chat with your crew and they get to know a little more about you.

Your Captain will take a few moments before you get underway to discuss some of the safety features and safe boating practices while onboard. As you are finishing up your lunch the crew will pull away from the docks and you are underway ready to explore Nature's Little Secret – the British Virgin Islands. If you have ever wanted to learn a little about sailing, now is your chance, take a seat next to your Captain while he explains sailing and he may even let you take the helm. After a 1 or 2 hour sail you arrive in your anchorage for the evening.

After the yacht is secure you may want to go for a swim, snorkel around the boat or be tendered over to the shore to relax in the afternoon sun or search for shells. When you come back aboard your towels and another frosty cool drink await you. Your chef will prepare hot or cold appetizers, baked brie with plum compote or maybe Caribbean conch fritters. Take a shower and change while the final touches are prepared on your gourmet dinner served outside in the light evening breeze. Tonight you may be dining on Fillet Mignon or seared salmon with seasonal vegetables and your choice of white or red wine selection from your chosen bar. After dinner you will want to save room for dessert. You may be served Bailey's chocolate mousse accompanied by after dinner liqueurs and coffee.



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If you like a party atmosphere, you may wish to go ashore and take in some of the local flavor at one of the fun beach bars scattered throughout the islands. Whether its grooving to the steel bands or a performance of the dancing “Jumbies” on stilts, dancing all night to local live music or a walk the plank of the Willy “T” floating bar, there is something for everyone. You may wish to stay onboard, watch a DVD in the air conditioned salon or prefer chatting with your friends and enjoy nightcaps out on the large trampoline under the stars before you make your way to your cabin for the evening.

Wake up to the smell of coffee brewing and a spread of tropical fruit, cereals, juices, and fresh muffins or croissants. Watch the sunrise or take an early morning swim. Your chef will be at work preparing a full hot breakfast of Eggs Benedict, French toast, or a frittata. Let them know if you enjoy a Bloody Mary or Mimosa with your breakfast. After breakfast, it is anchors away and you are off to your next destination. Sail for a few hours to Virgin Gorda and catch a day mooring at the National Wonder - The Baths. There are paths and caves and snorkeling galore, climb to the top of the bluff and check out the magnificent view then stop in the shop at the very top and pick out some goodies to bring home.

While you are ashore the chef is working her magic for another lovely lunch onboard. You arrive back at the yacht and you are welcomed with a cool tropical “drink of the day”. Relax and enjoy lunch and when you are finished you are off to your next destination for the evening. Along the way there may be time for a swim or snorkel, SCUBA dive or even throw the hooks in the water for some fishing. After you reach your next destination you may want to explore the shops, go for a swim or relax on the boat and get in some of your summer reading. There also may be an internet café ashore for folks that want to stay in touch.

Meet everyone back on the boat, and yes, your chef is serving appetizers and sundowner cocktails while passing time until the next scrumptious dinner is served. Tonight you will dine on Duck or Rack of lamb with all the lovely side dishes and fantastic dessert – just as you would expect from a four star hotel. The beauty of this vacation is the hotel takes you to fantastic places each day. Happy Sailing!



CREWED CHARTER – *Sample Itinerary*



DAY 1 – TORTOLA & NORMAN ISLAND

Join your yacht at Noon at Sopers Hole on the West End of **Tortola** - the original home of the pirates. Today, trading can be a little easier with a visit to the shops at Pussers Landing. After a light lunch and chat about the itinerary, a 2 hour sail takes you to **Norman Island** (Treasure Island). Snorkel at the caves and be amazed at how many fish there are in the crystal clear waters. The evening is spent in the Bight, with a visit to The William Thornton for an after dinner party - a wild floating bar where everybody lets their hair down and tells their sea-faring tales of the day.....and how fast did you sail?

DAY 2 – PETER ISLAND

After breakfast you can hike to the top of **Spy Glass Hill**, a known look-out point for pirates – be sure to take your camera. Dive or snorkel the Indians or Rainbow Canyon and swim with the sea turtles. After lunch it's a short tack up to **Peter Island**, famous for its romantic beaches. Take an early evening stroll along the beach before a casually elegant dinner aboard. After dinner go forward to the trampolines and count the shooting stars, making a wish on each one you see.

DAY 3 – SALT ISLAND & COOPER ISLAND

After breakfast a short sail to **Salt Island** to dive or snorkel the Rhone; this is one of the top five wreck dives in the world. Then motor around to **Cooper Island** for lunch and do some spectacular snorkeling off Cistern point, a sheltered reef alive with juvenile fish of endless varieties. Alternatively, take a stroll on the beach, sit under a palm tree and just soak in the beauty of the turquoise waters. A late afternoon sail takes us to Marina Cay (Republic of Jose Cuervo) for the evening, the smallest of the British Virgin Islands.



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DAY 4 – VIRGIN GORDA

A morning sail will take you to the **Dog Islands** for a snorkeling adventure over colorful corals and shoaling reef fish or you can visit the Baths on **Virgin Gorda**. These spectacular rock formations below and above water can be explored by land or sea and snorkeling here is a must. Lunch is just outside **Spanish Town**, so you can shop or take a taxi for an Island tour. Next a speedy sail up the west side of **Virgin Gorda**, one of the most beautiful of the Virgin Islands. In the evening, dance the night away at the Bitter End Yacht Club to the local reggae band in the elegant setting this resort offers.

DAY 5 – NORTH SOUND OR ANEGADA

Spend the morning enjoying the **North Sound** - truly one of the most outstanding natural harbors in the Caribbean. Enjoy windsurfing, snorkeling, hiking and shopping or sail to **Anegada**, the sunken island nestling within a horseshoe reef, the third largest barrier reef in the world. For the first half of this two or three hour sail there is no land visible, then the palm trees appear on the horizon warning of your imminent arrival. After lunch absorb the atmosphere of the anchorage at **Setting Point**. Deserted beaches, fringing reefs and the unique flora and fauna of the salt ponds, home to pink flamingos, await your exploration. Lobster dinner at the **Anegada Reef Hotel** is a must. As darkness falls, with cocktail in hand, you will see from the cockpit of the boat the driftwood fires on the beach grilling your lobster for dinner.

DAY 6 – TRELIS BAY

An early start from Anegada ensures plenty of time to sail back to enjoy the snorkeling off **Guana Island** or **Camanoe Island**. Off the Eastern end of **Tortola** are several small secluded anchorages. If evening entertainment is your choice **Trellis bay** is the home of the Last Resort, which offers a nightly comedy show, based on yachts that come and visit the BVI's. Full moon parties at Trellis Bay offer Fire Balls and Jumbie Dancers on the beach. Great fun for all ages.

DAY 7 – CANE GARDEN BAY

A leisurely downwind sail to **Jost Van Dyke** offers ample opportunity for stopping on the way. **Cane Garden Bay**, **Sandy Spit** and **Green Cay** are all places of exceptional beauty. Just take your pick. White Bay is secluded and quiet with only the Soggy Dollar Bar ashore or Great Harbor is ideal for those who would like to visit the famous Foxy's Tamarind Bar. Sample his Sly fox or Dread fox both made from Foxy's firewater rum and listen to his calypso songs. Beware you'll probably end up in one!

DAY 8

The last morning! Choose your breakfast from a light selection of assorted breads and fresh tropical fruits, to champagne and eggs Benedict. Swim or snorkel before sailing back to West End for that last minute gift shopping before joining your homeward flight.



CREWED CHARTER – *Certified Diver Information*

VOYAGE charters offers in-house certified **SCUBA** Dive Masters, by appointment, for all crewed yachts. We ensure each client a high-quality, luxury experience by providing the most qualified Dive Masters and professional crews available during your charter vacation. As with every aspect of your crewed sailing vacation, our **SCUBA** diving program is tailored towards your enjoyment and safety. Our luxury crewed yachts are all fully equipped with dive gear. Upon arrival to your yacht your Captain will discuss the dive itinerary for the week in order to accommodate everyone's interest and comfort.

All Dives will need to be reserved in advance. Please be advised that your Captain will assist each evening by confirming the dive plans for the next day. He will also correspond directly with the Dive Master according to the planned itinerary. After scheduling a dive with your Captain, one of the **VOYAGE** Dive Masters will meet you and your party in a hi-speed, 20-24 foot rigid inflatable. You may choose to be transferred to the dive site in the RIB or dive directly from your yacht.

We offer three dive times daily:

Morning Dive: 9 am Mid Day Dive: Noon Afternoon Dive: 3 pm

VOYAGE charters accommodate all levels of certified divers – from the vastly experienced, to beginners. The BVI water temperature is on average 78 – 82 degrees, shortie wet suits are recommended but not necessary.

GENERAL POLICY:

- All divers must be certified and must present their **Certified Divers Card** before diving.
- Payments can be made in cash or by credit card. We require credit card authorization for dive fees which will be calculated overall and processed at the end of your vacation. **Dive costs are \$70 per dive, per diver.**
- We request that cancellations be made **12 Hours** prior to the dive. Should the Dive Master have already been dispatched 75% of the dive fee will be charged on cancelled dives.
- A maximum of eight divers is permitted per dive (PADI Standard).
- Our Dive Masters have extensive knowledge of the area and will accompany individuals or groups of divers. All divers will be supervised and no Independent diving is allowed.
- The BVI is a National Park, feeding or removal of sea life is prohibited.

SAFETY:

- Please note diving is not permitted within 24 hrs before your return flight.
- Drinking and diving is not permitted.
- Captains retain the right to cancel a dive, for the safety of the guest. Any divers deemed unsafe before or during the dive will be prohibited from continuing. Please understand this is at the Dive Master's discretion and for safety reasons.
- If you have had an injury or been hospitalized since your certification, we strongly recommend that you are checked out by your own doctor giving you medical clearance to dive.
- We recommend that any divers who have not been diving for over a year take a refresher course. This can be arranged at an additional charge and should be discussed with the Dive Master before scheduling diving.



CREWED CHARTER – *Certified Diver Information*

SAMPLE release form

Certified diver Affirmation, Assumption of Risk, Liability and Indemnity

For and in consideration of **VOYAGE charters international limited (owner representative)**, **Skippers name** (Captain) and **Dive masters name** (Dive master) permitting me _____ (diver) to board, reside on and participate in scuba diving and other activities arising from or in conjunction with **Vessel name** (Sailing vessel), such activities planned to extend from board date to depart date inclusive. I hereby voluntarily and knowingly release, discharge, waive and relinquish any and all actions or causes of action for personal injury, property damage, and wrongful death, including but not limited to loss of services, occurring to me, which may arise as a result of engaging in, receiving instructions about, or in conjunction with any activities incidental to such activities, wherever such may occur.

I further agree that under no circumstances will I make, prosecute or present any claim against the following entities: **VOYAGE charters international limited**, **Skippers name** and **Dive Masters name** for any act or omission, or due to their negligent or gross negligence relating to such activities or from the ownership, maintenance, use, operation or control of any instrument or piece of sports equipment, or otherwise, it is my intention by signing this document to exempt and relieve the entities: **VOYAGE charters international limited**, **Vessel name**, **Skipper name**, **Dive master name** and their agents, servants and employees from liability from personal injury, property damage, wrongful death and loss of services whether caused by negligence or gross negligence or otherwise. By signing this document, I acknowledge that I assume the risk of personal injury, property damage, wrongful death or loss of services upon myself.

I further agree that in the event that I, my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, prosecute any such claim against any of the entities **VOYAGE charters international limited**, **Vessel name**, **Skipper name** or **Dive master name**, I shall indemnify and hold them harmless from any and all loss or liability, including costs and attorney's fees. I further agree to observe strictly and comply with such additional reasonable terms and regulations as the entities **VOYAGE charters international limited** **Vessel name**, **Skipper name** or **Dive master name** may from time to time deem desirable or needful to prescribe before or during these activities. Any reference to the entities **VOYAGE charters international limited**, **Vessel name**, **Skipper name** or **Dive master name** shall include a reference to, and shall insure to benefit of NAUI (The National Association of Underwater Instructors), PADI (The Professional Association of Diving Instructors) and any and all their respective agents, servants, contractors and employees.



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This document shall be binding upon me and my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns.

I further acknowledge: (Initial each of the items below)

- _____ 1. I am a certified scuba diver trained in safe diving practices.
- _____ 2. I am aware of the risks inherent in this sport and accept these risks.
- _____ 3. I affirm that I am in good mental and physical fitness for diving and that I will not hold any of the entities: **VOYAGE charters international limited, Vessel name, Skipper name** or **Dive master name** responsible if I am injured or die as a result of heart, lung, ear or circulatory problems or other illness or conditions that may occur while diving.
- _____ 4. I affirm that I am not under the influence of alcohol, nor am I taking any drugs that are contraindicated for diving. If taking medication, over 60 years of age, have suffered a serious illness or undergone a major operation, I affirm that I seen a physician and have approval to dive.
- _____ 5. I understand that diving with compressed air involves certain risks, and injuries can occur that require treatment in a decompression chamber and/or medical facility, and nonetheless agree to accept and assume such risks when I proceed with such dives.
- _____ 6. I understand that even if I follow all of the appropriate dive practices, there is still some risk of sustaining decompression sickness, heart attack, embolism or other hyperbaric injuries, and I expressly assume the risks of such injuries or illness.
- _____ 7. I acknowledge that I have been fully and completely advised of the potential hazards and dangers incidental to engaging in boat based residence and activities and the activities and activity and instruction of skin and scuba diving.
- _____ 8. I understand that diving in open waters involves additional risks due to the environment, animal or sea life, currents and mechanical equipment failure or misuse and that injury or death may occur from such risks.
- _____ 9. I also understand that scuba diving is a physically strenuous activity and that I will be exerting myself during this dive excursion. If I am injured or die as result of heart attack, panic, hyperventilation or otherwise, I expressly assume the risk of such injuries.
- _____ 10. I have inspected all the equipment and have satisfied myself that it is in good working order and that I accept responsibility for the use thereof.



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_____11 I have inspected the weather conditions, sea conditions and currents and that I am satisfied that the activity undertaken is within my capability and level of competence.

I acknowledge that I have read the foregoing paragraphs and fully understand the legal right that I am giving up by signing this document. I have read this agreement, understand it and agree to be bound by it.

Signed at Tortola _____ on date _____.

Witness (Print name)

Diver (Print Name)

Diver Card # : _____ Certification Level: _____

Certification Date and Company: _____

This form will be presented to you and signed by the Dive Master at the VOYAGE BVI base.



CREWED CHARTER – *Fishing in the BVIs*

It is **ILLEGAL** for non-British Virgin Islanders to remove any marine organism from BVI waters without a **recreational permit**. A permit is required for charterers who intend to fish while in the BVI. EACH MEMBER FISHING MUST HAVE A LICENSE, **except person under 18 years of age**. Fines range to 6 figures, confiscation of fishing equipment and the boat.

The license will be valid for up to 1 month and cost \$45 plus \$10 delivery fee (Total \$55.00).

A photocopy of a valid photo ID must accompany the application

Last Stop Sports will process the application for you before your arrival for a \$10 fee, or you can obtain it directly from the Government Administration building in Road Town.

Please visit **Last Stop Sports'** website at www.laststopsports.com or email info@laststopsports.com for additional details.

IMPORTANT: All documents must be sent to Last Stop Sports at least 2 weeks before arrival.

"CATCH AND RELEASE" is encouraged unless fishing with a guide who is aware of which fish, caught in which areas are safe for human consumption.

SPEAR FISHING is not permitted in the BVI. The use of SCUBA equipment to capture or remove any marine animal or coral is against the law. Fishing within the boundaries of any marine park is strictly forbidden.

BONEFISHING. There is excellent bone fishing in the BVI particularly on Anegada. Other BVI locations are not as vast as Anegada's miles of reef. There is a small but accessible spot west of the Beef Island Bridge. A local guide is recommended.

FLY FISHING. Saltwater fly fishing is popular for permit and tarpon. If you are interested in arranging fly fishing while in the BVI, please contact **Caribbean Fly Fishing** directly at (284) 494-4797 or visit their website at www.caribflyfishing.com.

Remember, many of the reef fish carry Ciguatera. "CATCH & RELEASE" is recommended unless fishing with a local guide.